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The Park Avenue Synagogue

Bulletin

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Religious Significance Of High Holy Days

The Jewish soul has always been sensitive to the radiance and splendor, to the incomparable beauty of the Sabbath and Festivals. Ever mindful that the ceremonial objects; the fragrant *lulov* and *esrog* of *Succot*, the clarion sound of the *shofar* on *Rosh Hashanah*, the *matzoh*, *moror*, and *charoseth* of the gayly nostalgic *seder* table on *Pesah*—mindful that all these were symbols, unusual and quaint symbols, of an ethically and morally superior way of life, Jews in every generation for countless centuries have not merely clung to these holidays with their colorful customs but have looked forward to them, anticipating them long before they would arrive in their yearly cycle.

Thus it is with little wonder that we find our people preparing for the Days of Awe not a week before their arrival but a whole month. With *Rosh Hodesh Elul* the *shofar* is heard in the

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Rabbi Simon Noveck To Occupy Pulpit As Associate Rabbi

It is a great pleasure to have Rabbi Simon Noveck participate in the role of Associate Rabbi of the Park Avenue Synagogue, pursuant to the announcement previously sent to the Congregation. He is not a stranger to the Congregation, having conducted a successful course for the Adult Education Committee a few years ago, and having lectured a number of times for the Junior League.

Rabbi Simon Noveck

Rabbi Noveck is a native of Atlanta, Georgia, and came to New York to study at Yeshiva College and the Teachers Institute of Yeshiva. With a BA in the social sciences and a degree in Jewish pedagogy, he entered the Jewish Theological Seminary, from which he was graduated in 1941. He served as acting Rabbi of Temple *Beth El* in Cedarhurst from 1944 to 1946 and spent the following three years as Rabbi of Congregation *B'nai Israel* in Freeport, Long Island.

He has been a lecturer in the Department of Political Science at the College of the City of New York and an instructor in Modern Jewish History at the Seminary School of Jewish Studies since 1945. Rabbi Noveck has studied at the New School for Social Research and at Columbia University, which will award him a Ph. D. degree upon completion of his dissertation.

Rabbi Noveck in talking of his early religious training said: "My original preparation for Rabbinic studies was primarily due to the inspiration of my saintly and very learned grandfather Israel Moses Matzkel, who lived in Atlanta. He remained my inspiration until his death two years ago, not only because of his profound Talmudic learning, but even more so because of his complete selflessness and devotion to the ethical ideals of Judaism."

We look forward to many years of cooperation and friendship with Rabbi Noveck and wish him every success in his association with the Park Avenue Synagogue.

SCHEDULE FOR HOLY DAY SERVICES

Rosh Hashanah Eve . . . . . Friday, Sept. 23rd, 5:45 p.m.
Rosh Hashanah Morning . . . . . Saturday, Sept. 24th, 8:30 a.m.
Rabbi Milton Steinberg will preach on
"Now We Begin to Live"

Second Evening . . . . . Saturday, Sept. 24th, 5:45 p.m.
Second Morning . . . . . Sunday, Sept. 25th, 8:30 a.m.
Rabbi Simon Noveck will preach on
"The Role of the Synagogue in Modern Jewish Life"

Shabbat Shuvah (Sabbath of Penitence) Saturday, Oct. 1st, 8:30 a.m.
Kol Nidre . . . . . Sunday, Oct. 2nd, 5:30 p.m.
Rabbi Milton Steinberg will preach
"on Being a Unique People"

Yom Kippur . . . . . Monday, Oct. 3rd, 8:30 a.m.
Rabbi Simon Noveck will preach on
"Religion and Social Progress"

MEMORIAL SERVICE will commence at 3:00 p.m.
Rabbi Steinberg will deliver the message

The Junior Congregation will hold services in the Jewish Museum, 92nd Street and 5th Avenue, at 11:30 a.m., under the direction of Mr. Sanford Hahn

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From The Desk of Rabbi Steinberg

THE official family of the Park Avenue Synagogue will be enriched, this High Holy Day, by the presence of its new Associate Rabbi. The Congregation intends to extend its formal welcome to Rabbi Simon Noveck the first late Friday evening service on October 21st. But in advance of that occasion and on behalf not only of the pulpit but the membership as well, I wish to voice something of the hopes we entertain both for him and for ourselves: for him, personal happiness and spiritual fulfilment among and through us; and for ourselves such leadership and instruction at his hands as will enable us to retrieve that in which we are deficient and to realize more fully our potentialities for good.

For both him and us may it be *b'berachah vehatzlachah.*

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How do earnest Jews of good taste comport themselves in the Synagogue during the High Holy Day season?

They come to worship early and remain to its conclusion, which in our congregation is never unduly delayed.

They attend worship on *both* days of *Rosh Hashanah,* especially when, as is the case this year, the second day falls on a Sunday and "business", the usual pretext for absence, is no distraction.

They participate fully in the service, joining in the responsive readings and hymns.

They refrain from random conversation with their neighbors, concentrating on the worship and instruction which are their purpose in attendance.

They dress appropriately for the occasion, with sobriety and dignity but without ostentation. And men supply themselves with *talesim* and skull caps for their own comfort and the better appearance of the congregation.

They do not loiter in the vestibule or on the sidewalk before the Synagogue, an affront to the service and a *hillul hashem* in the eyes of the world.

They come to worship attuned to it. This is the occasion beyond all others for reaffirmation of ideals, for estimating the distance between them and performance, for penitence and the rebirth of resolution—none an enterprise lightly to be entered upon.

(This our fathers understood; wherefore they engaged in careful preparations for the encounter before them. From Rosh Hodesh Elul, they sounded the *Shofar* each day except the Sabbath; they attended the extraordinary services of *Selihoth,* at midnight or at dawn. For those who no longer maintain these observances, a minimal equivalent would be to set aside some time each day for the reading of Jewish moralistic literature, such an anthology, for example, as Glatzer's *In Time and Eternity* or Buber's *Ten Runs,* and of course the Bible and High Holy Day Prayer Book).

In a word, they approach worship gravely; they *work* at it. For this is a serious business, this ritual of the High Holy Day, and like any other serious business, it yields no more to those who engage in it than they put in.

A *l'shanah tovah tikatev* to every soul in the Park Avenue Synagogue family, and, as an element in the fulfilment of this wish, the hope that we may all make of the *Yom Tov* what it should be in our lives.

—MILTON STEINBERG

A New Year's Message From Dr. E. D. Friedman

As we usher in the New Year, it is appropriate to remind ourselves that this generation of Jews has had the great *Zechuth* of witnessing the rebirth of Israel and the renascense of the Jewish spirit. All of us must admire the heroism of our pioneers in Israel, and stand in awe of their epic achievements in the face of apparently insurmountable obstacles. But Providence was on our side —not heavy battalions. As in the days of the Maccabees, Israel won against terrific odds and the world must wonder at the achievements of our modern heroes.

We in the *Diaspora* have, in the main, done well by standing by with moral and material support. It will be our task in the days to come, to give of our material and spiritual strength towards the upbuilding of the new Jewish Commonwealth, so that *Torah* may again go forth from Zion, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.

May the New Year bring us all the realization of our fond hopes and worthy aspirations.

Shanah Tovah to all!

Junior League Plans For the Coming Year

As we approach the High Holy Day season, the Junior League would like to extend its best wishes for a healthy, joyous, and prosperous New Year to all members and friends of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

We, of the League, have already planned a program for the coming year which will be richer and more enjoyable than the successful ones of the recent past. We hope that all young people of the Congregation, who have not done so already, will join with us for a good time during this new season.

Once again *l'shanah tovah tikatev!*

Sukkot Festival Opens Season Plans for the Coming Year

The Junior League has already started its program for the new year and is now in the midst of preparing its *Sukkot* Festival Celebration, during which the members of the group will have an opportunity to reveal their hidden talents. As this will be a celebration for the entire Congregation, set aside Monday evening, October 10th, right now, for a most entertaining evening! Remember, all members of the Synagogue and their families are cordially invited.

All young people interested in membership in the Junior League should contact Miss Selma Jerskey at 302 West 86th Street, New York, N. Y., or in care of the Synagogue.

Engagements

Our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Louis Greenstein on the engagement of their son, Dudley L., to Miss Selma Edith Jerskey; and to Mr. and. Mrs. George Ringler on the engagement of their son, Warren, to Miss Dorothy Cohen.

Deaths

Condolences to Mr. Nathan Fuld on the loss of his wife Sophie Fuld; to Mr. Jacob Friedman, Jr. on the loss of his brother Morris Friedman; and to Mrs. Eugene Picker on the loss of her father, Nathan Moses.

Bartley Crum Addresses Men's Club, Oct. 4th

This season marks the beginning of a new year for The Men's Club. Its accomplishments during the next twelve months may very well determine whether it will continue to prosper and become a significant enterprise in our synagogue life and community or slowly disintegrate and eventually fold up. Needless to say, all of us on the Board are very optimistic indeed. We visualize The Men's Club shortly becoming the outstanding affiliate in the congregation.

About a half dozen committees are presently devising plans for a program which will be stimulating and provocative as well as foster better social relationship among the Club members. We plan to promote and further cultural and spiritual work of the synagogue and initiate and aid if possible, communal projects in the community.

Program Innovation Plan

At some of our regular monthly meetings we will present outstanding speakers and personalities while other meetings will be devoted to the lighter side of our social life such as a ladies' night, a home talent night and a card party. As an added attraction to all our meetings, Rabbi Steinberg has very graciously consented to deliver a 15 minute review of current Jewish events. This innovation alone should be sufficient reason for a capacity attendance each month.

At our first meeting in the Vestry on Tuesday evening, October 4, following our regular meeting and Rabbi Steinberg's review of the news, we will present as our guest speaker Mr. Bartley C. Crum, lawyer, lecturer and author of "Behind the Silken Curtain", and a member of the Anglo-American Committee of Inquiry for Palestine appointed by President Truman. Mr. Crum will speak on "Israel, the Frontier of Civilization". All gentlemen are invited and urged to attend.

Sisterhood Speaks!

The Sisterhood of the Park Avenue Synagogue wishes to extend its holiday greetings to all its members and friends. Program plans, which will be disclosed in greater detail in a forthcoming issue of the BULLETIN, promise a long season of stimulating activities. We hope you plan to participate.

Junior Services

Again this year, in upholding an established precedent, the young people of the Synagogue will present High Holy Day services at the Jewish Museum on 92nd Street near Fifth Avenue. *Rosh Hashanah* worship will take place on September 24, 25 at 11:30 A.M., and services for *Yom Kippur* will be held at the same time on October 3.

Chairman B. Sack Offers Board Greetings

On behalf of the Board of Trustees I extend a welcome to all to renew the pleasant, constructive and spiritual congregational life that we all find so stimulating.

Through the tireless efforts of our House Committee, chairmaned by Mr. Morty Millheiser, many projects were planned and accomplished during the summer among which are the following:

The organ has been completely overhauled.

The system providing for circulation of air in the Synagogue proper has undergone a radical improvement made possible for the greatest part by a grant from Mr. Irving Geist.

The electric current has been changed from direct current to alternating current which will be reflected in the better reception of music and voice in the Vestry.

A carpet has been installed on the Pulpit.

An improved public address system has been installed.

Our Pulpit will once again be complete with the presence of Rabbi Simon Noveck in the role of Associate Rabbi, concerning which you were previously notified.

I hope for continued congregational health collectively and individually as we usher in the New Year which for us and for the State of Israel may mark new heights in our devotion to good living and peace throughout the world.

Mr. Emanuel Rosenthal, Secretary of the Synagogue, wishes to announce that all organizations requesting dates in the Synagogue should send their reservations to his office as early as possible to insure proper posting.

Members of the Congregation are urged to keep the office posted on changes of address, *simchas* and other important family happenings.

New Religious School Procedures Explained

This year the program of the Religious School of the Park Avenue Synagogue will come closer to realizing our basic Jewish educational objectives—one integrated school which will provide for our children not only opportunities for learning and study, but also opportunities for putting into meaningful practice what they have learned.

In previous years, children who reached grade 5 in our Sunday School were required to begin the study of Hebrew twice a week in our mid-week Hebrew classes or in the Tutorial System and, also, to attend one session on Sunday morning. This program presented two major weaknesses. First, one child attended two distinct schools—a Hebrew School and a Sunday School, with different curricula and different teachers. Second, the child was taught prayers and responses without an opportunity for actual participation in worship. Such teaching is without meaning to our children and is therefore artificial and pedagogically unsound.

Attend Sabbath Service

Children of ten will no longer attend Sunday School, but will attend a three day a week school with two mid-week sessions and a Saturday session. The substitution of a Saturday session for the Sunday session will offer many advantages. First, all children will attend a Sabbath service which will be part of the session. Second, all children will have one teacher who will present a completely integrated program of Hebrew, Jewish history, Bible, customs and ceremonies and current events. Third, all children will have an opportunity to learn in a natural and real setting, to be a member of a congregation and to take part in congregational worship. Fourth, all children will benefit from the easing of our overcrowded physical plant.

This year our school will offer a Sunday School for our children from the ages of 6 through 9 and a three-day-a-week Religious School for children from the ages 10 through Confirmation. The Sunday School with its program of pupil activity in dramatization, story-telling, games, arts, songs, and prayers, will continue its aim of orienting the child "to Jewish group life as he meets it in his immediate environment, at home, at school and in the Synagogue".

High Holy Days Religious Significance

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synagogue each day, special penitential prayers are recited, the graves of loved ones are visited, and, in general, a mien of sincere introspection and inner scrutiny is acquired. The Sunday before *Rosh Hashanah* when early morning *S'lichot* (forgiveness) prayers are begun, the spirit of repentence becomes more intense, reaching its climactic pitch in the minor and major confessional of the *Yom Kippur* service with an actual purging of the soul—these are very dramatic and austere moments of the *Yom Kippur* liturgy.

The origin of these holy days is quite obscure. Since the *Torah* makes no reference to *Rosh Hashanah* as such, it is thought that at one time the Days of Awe were bound together with the harvest festival of *Succot* which follows fast upon them. Nonetheless, with the ingathering at *Succot* time, Jews found an opportune time to begin their spiritual year. The harvest in, they had time to thank God for it, time to think about the past year, time not only to appraise the harvest but to assay themselves as well. Thus as time passed, as Temple was built and as Temple was destroyed these Holy Days evolved and developed, took on greater symbolism and meaning until they, finally, reached their present form.

The Day of Sounding the Great *Shofar*

Though the New Year of our people is a festive day, unlike the revelry of other peoples, it is also a solemn and deeply sincere day. It is a Day of Memorial and Remembrance. It is the Day of Sounding the Great *Shofar*. The *shofar*, symbol of war and peace, joy and sorrow, has been given a central place in the *Rosh Hashanah* service. Not only is it blown during the *Torah* service, but also during the recitation of the *malchiot* verses (expressing the oneness of God and his Kingship), the *zichronot* verses (stressing God as Creator and Supreme Judge of the world and His relation to mankind), and the *shofrot* verses (adding the thought of God as Deliverer and Savior, the *shofar* being the signal of the Messianic age). Thus the *shofar* is bound with the basic teaching of *Rosh Hashanah*. (This year since the first day of *Rosh Hashanah* is on the Sabbath, the sound of the *shofar* will be heard only on the second morning.)

Perhaps the most beautiful prayer in the entire *Rosh Hashanah* liturgy is the *unesaneh tokef* prayer, attributed to one Meshullam ben Kalonymos of Mayence. Several legends like the very famous one about the Jewish martyr, Rabbi Amnon of Mayence have been associated with this beautiful *piyut* (poem). The prayer pictures God opening a huge ledger on *Rosh Hashanah* and inscribing in it the fate of each and every human soul ". . . who shall live, and who shall die . . . who shall become poor, and who shall become rich . . . who shall be cast down, and who honored . . ." Through sincere repentence during the Days of Awe, the sentence can be altered. But with the clarion blow of the *shofar* at the close of the *Yom Kippur* service the ledger is sealed for another year. It is from this idea that our New Year's greeting is derived: *L'shanah Tovah Tikatevu V'sechatemu* (May you be inscribed and sealed for a good year).

Rosh Hashanah Customs

Customs on *Rosh Hashanah* that are still observed by more traditional Jews are the eating of apple and honey (to omen a sweet year to come) and the ceremony of *tashlich*, emptying crumbs from our pockets into a stream (symbolizing the actual throwing away of our sins). The Fast of Gedalliah, coming three days after *Rosh Hashanah*, (commemorating the assasination of Gedaliah ben Ahikam in 582 B.C.E.) is also observed by the more traditional Jews. But the intervening Sabbath, *Shabbat Shuvah* (the sabbath of repentence), is commemorated by all Jews as a special sabbath upon which special penitential verses are recited.

The Awesome *Kol Nidre* Service

Of all the services during the synagogue year the *Kol Nidre* service is certainly the most awesome. The auditorium of the synagogue is bedecked with large flickering candles that cast their mysterious shadows upon the walls of the synagogue. To one Hebrew author these shadows seemed to be the ghosts of those already gone to rest. Awful and mysterious, indeed! With the wierdly penetrating, commanding melody of the Kol Nidre prayer, a prayer whose origin is wrapped in the obscurity of the ages, the mood is set. Though it is only a prayer abrogating vows, it symbolizes generations of suffering Jews. It is sad and solemn, but somehow it arouses within us warmth and tenderness, religious feeling and deep longing. It purges our very souls.

Yom Kippur day is spent in synagogue—none departs. Through fasting and prayer and sincere repentence, each individual is given a *tabula rasa* for the coming year. On *Yom Kippur* through good deeds each individual can come face to face with the Holy One Blessed Be He. For *Yom Kippur* is a day on which each man clears himself before God, as our *Talmud* says, "For sins against God the Day of Atonement brings forgiveness; for sins between a man and his neighbor there is no forgiveness till a man has become reconciled with his neighbor".

Yom Kippur Worship

Of all the worship on *Yom Kippur* day there are two parts that are outstanding. The one is the *Avodah* Service which is commemorative of the service the High Priest would conduct in the Holy of Holies, centuries ago. The other is the beautiful *Ne-ilah* or Closing service. As the sun sets on the western horizon, and the gates of heaven are about to close, tired from a day of fasting we beseech God with all the sincerity we can muster, "Open Thou the gate, O Lord . . . As the day doth wane, O Lord; Yea, even as the sun doth set; O let us enter into Thy gate." Though this Great Day is nearly over and soon the clarion shrill of the *shofar* will sound the gates of heaven will never shut: the doors of forgiveness will remain always open.

With the Holy Day over, one might be glad to forget festivals for a while, but not the Jewish soul. Loving his holidays and festivals, loving everything that is beautiful, warm, and meaningful the Jew always looks forward, and, in anticipating, somehow moves the calendar quicker, faster to the next festival. As soon as the Jew returns home from the *Yom Kippur* services, he sets a stake in the ground, the wooden stake around which will be built the *succah* for the Feast of Tabernacles which is less than five days away. That is the custom of our people.

—SANFORD H. HAHN

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL OPENS

Hebrew School . . . Monday, Sept. 19
Sunday School . . . Sunday, Sept. 18 at 9:45 A.M.

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OCTOBER 5, 1949 TISHRI 12, 5710

Sukkot Celebration Planned For Congregants

On Monday evening, October 10th, a *Sukkot* celebration, which will take place in the Vestry, has been planned for the Congregation. This innovation will be sponsored by the Junior League of the Synagogue and all members of the Congregation are urged to attend this *Sukkot* festival evening.

The feature of the evening will be a presentation of the Eternal Light comedy "The Merry Jest of Hershel Ostropolier" with a cast of Junior League members. In addition, the Junior League is planning entertainment and other surprises. Refreshments and a social hour will follow the evening's entertainment.

It is hoped that all the members of the Synagogue will come to the *Sukkot* festival, become acquainted with the Junior League and help initiate what is hoped will be the forerunner of future Congregational *Sukkot* festivals presented by the Junior League.

New Officers Elected

The new officers of the Junior League elected at the Annual Meeting last June are:

President — Louis I. Heller; Vice-presidents—Marvin J. Cohen, Murray

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Congregation Honors On Simhath Torah to Mrs. M. Heller, Mr. A. Ochs and Mr. I Liberman

Simhath Torah, which will be celebrated on Sunday, October 16th at 9:30 a.m., brings with it this year, not only the traditional honors annually bestowed by the Congregation upon two men who have been outstanding in Synagogue, Jewish and communal affairs but continues the precedent set last year when one of the Synagogue's outstanding women is to be honored as *Kalah Mafteret*, Bride of the Prophetic Message.

The service will honor Mr. Isaac Liberman as *Hathan Torah*, Mr. Arthur Ochs as *Hathan Bereshith* and Mrs. Milton Heller as *Kalah Mafteret*.

Traditional Honors

The practice of honoring members of a congregation by designating them as *Hathan Torah* (Bridegroom of the *Torah*), *Hathan Bereshith* (Bridegroom of the Beginning) stems from medieval Judaism and more particularly from the mystical thread within it.

On *Simhath Torah*, the last day of the festival of *Sukkot*, the *Torah* cycle of the year is completed and then is begun again. The very last section and the very first are traditionally regarded as portions of honor. Thus, it has always been the practice to assign these portions to individuals, who, either by their scholarship, their peity or their service to the Jewish community, have merited public tribute. The custom of honoring a *Kalah Mafteret* (Bride of the Prophetic Message), which was inaugurated last year, is in tribute to an outstanding woman member of the Congregation, for conspicuous service rendered to the Jewish community.

Hathan Torah Communal Leader

When the words "stand forth" to complete the reading of the last portion of the *Torah* are pronounced, Mr. Isaac Liberman will step forward as the *Hathan Torah*. This honor is being bestowed upon a man who for many years, indeed virtually all his life, has been a leader in civic and philanthropic affairs, both Jewish and general, and is a person, softspoken, modest and gentle in manner, farsighted and competent in action, and, beyond all else, warm-hearted and idealistic in spirit.

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Consecration Service Held for New Students

On *Simhath Torah* evening, Saturday, October 15, at 5:30 P.M. the new students of our Religious School will be formally inducted in an impressive Consecration ceremony. This year for the first time we will welcome not only the children who have begun our Sunday sessions, but also those who for the first time are entering our three day a week school.

The Consecration ceremony will be followed by the rendering of the "*Atoh Horaysoh*" prayers which for the first time will be done by the children of the school. They will be called to the *Torah* and also allowed to participate in the seven processionals with the *Torah*. Those over *Bar Mitzvah* will be granted the privilege of carrying the scrolls

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sukkot Eve ..... Friday, Oct. 7th, 6:00 p.m.
First Morning *Sukkot* ..... Saturday, Oct. 8th, 9:30 a.m.
Rabbi Milton Steinberg will deliver the sermon

Second Evening ..... Saturday, Oct. 8th, 6:00 p.m.
Second Morning *Sukkot* ..... Sunday, Oct. 9th, 9:30 a.m.
Rabbi Simon Noveck will deliver the sermon

Shemini Atzeret Eve ..... Friday, Oct. 14th, 6:00 p.m.
Shemini Atzeret Yizkor Service ..... Saturday, Oct. 15th, 9:30 a.m.
Rabbi Simon Noveck will deliver the sermon

Simhath Torah Eve ..... Saturday, Oct. 15th, 5:30 p.m.
Simhath Torah ..... Sunday, Oct. 16th, 9:30 a.m.

Musical portion of Service under direction of Cantor Putterman, assisted by choir. Mr. Isidor Geller at the organ.

Daily Evening Worship ..... 5:45 p.m.

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From The Desk of Rabbi Noveck

What are the goals and objectives of a Rabbi as he starts out in a New Congregation? Knowing the difficulties that beset a synagogue in a large metropolitan area and the challenges of the environment that his members face, what can he hope to accomplish?

First, the establishment of a Religious School that will not only impart a knowledge of the Hebrew language, familiarity with Jewish history, literature, and modern Jewish problems, and the ability to participate intelligibly in Synagogue services, but a school that will constitute a "pleasurable experience" for the children. They should derive from the school a love of things Jewish, a desire to practice the Jewish way of life, and acquire an integrated attitude towards their American and Jewish cultures.

Secondly, Clubs and Informal Seminars for adolescents and young people. Equally important with educating the child is inculcating a positive attitude in boys and girls during this transitional period of their lives. Moreover, if we are candid, we will recognize that to understand Jewish history and literature and the complexities of the contemporary American Jewish community requires more maturity than that possessed by the avcrage twelve or thirteen year old.

Thirdly, Adult Courses to meet the interests of all segments of the Congregation. The gap bctween clergy and laiety which has been a fcature of other religions has not been true of our People in the past. We have been called the "people of the book" and Juadism has always bcen the heritage of the whole congregation. A knowledge of Jewish history and ideals, and of the Hebrew language is important for all adults, particularly for parents who have children in the school. Moreover, it was the opinion of the great Hebrew poet Bialik that reading the Bible or the prayer book always in translatiou is like "kissing one's wife through a handkerchief"—not entirely satisfactory.

Fourthly, a Sabbath and Holiday observing Congregation. Every Jew should attend services at least once on the Sabbath, be it Friday night or *Shabos* morning. While we may not be able to observe the maximum of religious injuctions, we can, if we will it, observe the major Jewish festivals such as *Sukkot* Passover, and *Shvouth* and such important holidays as *Hanukkah* and *Purim*. And this must be added. Our synagogues need not be "grandfather centered" institutions. Children should be encouraged to attend services even if it means breaking their daily routine. The results in spiritual dividends will well repay the investment in time and energy.

Fifthly, the establishment of a Nursery School (when the facilities exist) so that children at an early age can begin to acquire that pleasurable attitude towords Jewish life that will make them enjoy growing up as Americans and as Jews. Incidentally, recent psychological studies seem to indicate that there is a definite mental hygiene value to Jewish education particularly when begun at an early age.

Sixthly, publication of a Literary Journal containing articles on subjects of Jewish and moral interest by members of the Congregation. Thus far American Jewry has not produced an adequate Jewish culture. The Synagogue can be a stimulus in this enterprise by encouraging the men of learning and accomplishment in the Congregation—judges, psychiatrists, physicians, teachers, business men, Rabbis to apply their specialized knowledge and techniques to Jewish problems.

Seventh, a Psychiatric Clinic sponsored by the Congregation or in conjunction with some national Jewish agency where religious and psychiatry can join in bringing peace of mind to those who are troubled in mind and spirit.

Is this program overambitious and rather idealistic? Is it really possible in this city with its teeming millions to create a Synagogue that will be truly meaningful in the lives of its members? My initial reaction to the Park Avenue Synagogue—and these are first impressions only—is that it is possible. With the help of the inspired leadership of the Senior Rabbi whose combination of intellectual ability and humaneness of spirit have won him the admiration of the entire community, of a Cantor whose genial personality and devotion to the field of creative Jewish music have won him friends far and wide, of an able, energetic and efficient principal of the Religious school assisted by a carefully chosen faculty, of a devoted executive secretary and office staff, of a Board of Trustees boasting of some of the most prominent representatives of the Jewish community, of a series of committee chairmen of unusual ability and consecration, and finally of a Congregation whose intellectual resources are almost unlimited—with the help of all these, such a program, I believe, can be attained.

At any rate, these are some of the objectives with which I begin my association with you. Some are already under way and some will have to wait for the future. I bespeak your help in realizing as many of these goals as possible.

—SIMON NOVECK

Birth

Congratulations to Dr. and Mrs. Robert Gilbert upon the birth of their son.

Engagements

Our congraulations to Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Bernstein on the engagement of their daughter Sarah Jane.

Deaths

Condolences to Mr. Albert Josephthal on the loss of his wife Rose Josephthal; to the family of Dr. Joseph Rosenthal on his passing.

Sukkot Program

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Katz; Treasurer—Robert A. Barzilay; Recording Secretary — Phyllis Gerard; Corresponding Secretary — Sara Spiro; Executive Board Members-at-large — Judy Kleuert, Hortense Levy, Bernard Feinstein, Harry Lewis, Allan Maurer; Chairman, Committee on Membership—Selma Jerskey; Chairman, Committee on Finance—Lucille Duke; Chairman, Committee on Hospitality—Ethel Drachsler.

Park Avenue Synagogue Honors These Outstanding Members

MR. ARTHUR OCHS

MRS. MILTON HELLER

MR. ISAAC LIBERMAN

Simhath Torah Service

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A distinguished citizen, he has been, within the Park Avenue Synagogue, both a faithful member and a conscientious and creative participant, by virtue of membership in the Board of Trustees, in the making of policy.

Most recently, he has effected a major achievement: the dissemination of an understanding and interest in the Jewish Theological Seminary of America among the members of the Congregation. In which respect, he has bridged a gap and breached a wall wherewith heretofore the two institutions were divided.

For all of which, the Park Avenue Synagogue delights to pay him the tribute of designating him *Hathan Torah* for the year.

Devoted Member Honored

The honor of *Hathan Bereshith* will be bestowed upon Mr. Arthur Ochs and it will be his privilege to begin again the recital of the *Torah*. Mr. Ochs, representing the second of four generations of a familial association with the Park Avenue Synagogue, has all his life displayed devotion to the congregation commensurate with the tradition he embodies.

A Trustee for decades, and either Treasurer or Associate Treasurer for almost an equal time span, he has made the Synagogue finance and administration virtually a career. Day by day, year by year, he has stood as custodian of Synagogue affairs, fully as regular, dependable and conscientious as the professional staff. The Congregation's present fiscal health and executive efficiency are in no slight degree his work.

Given this, given also his gentleness, courtesy and goodness, he is one in whose name with propriety the Park Avenue Synagogue may begin its year's reading of Scripture.

Woman Leader Honored

It is altogether fitting that the woman to be honored this year as *Kalah Mafterest* is Mrs. Milton Heller who was born and bred in the congregation, and exemplifies admirably the historic ideal of Jewish womanhood.

A person of kindliness, integrity and selflessness; a dedicated daughter, wife, mother and friend; an informed and ardent Jewess; devout, observant, devoted to the Synagogue and all significant Jewish purposes; a conscientious citizen of the community, a leader in philanthropic causes; marked by good will and good works toward all—she is an *esheth hayil* in modern guise.

To our Congregation she has brought the fullness of her ardor and competence, holding positions of highest honor—the Presidency of the Sisterhood, preeminent among them, but discharging with no less cheer unheralded functions as well, the rehearsing of confirmants, for instance, or the providing of *Halloth* and wine for *Kiddush* in the *succah*.

On all of which scores she merits to the full, being named *Kalah Mafteret* of the Park Avenue Synagogue for the year 5710.

To pay tribute to the recipient of the *Simhath Torah* honors, all Park Avenue Synagogue members are urged to attend the services and the reception which will immediately follow, in the Vestry of the Synagogue.

C. C. N. Y. to Honor Dr. E. D. Friedman

The Townsend Harris Medal for outstanding post-graduate achievement in "some significant field of human endeavor" has been awarded to five prominent City College alumni, it was announced by Dr. Nelson P. Mead, president of the City College Associate Alumni.

One of the recipients of the award is:

Dr. Emanuel D. Friedman, '03, eminent neuropsychiatrist, Professor Emeritus of Neurology at the New York University-Bellevue School of Medicine, the author of medical treatises, and the President of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

"Y" Appoints New President

Sidney R. Diamond was recently appointed president of the Young Men's and Young Women's Hebrew Association of the Bronx. He has been a director of the organization for fifteen years and for the last year has been vice-president.

Junior Congregation Services Well Attended

Junior Congregation High Holy Day services were held again this year in the impressive music room of the Jewish Museum on Fifth Avenue and Ninety-second Street. These very inspiring services were conducted all three of the Holy Days by Mr. Sanford Hahn.

He was ably assisted by the following children of our Religious School who read various parts of the service: Kenneth Geist, Sandra Gevirtz, Harriet Levin, Hugh Levy, Robert Rifkind, Marilyn Schneider, Sylvia Schneider, David Steinberg, and Doris Wimpfheimer.

The fact that the dignity of our worship was never disturbed by any disciplinary problems can be attributed to the assistance given by a very capable monitorial staff, which included: Donald Blau, Jerry Gotterer, Stephen Howe, Arthur Jacobs, Evan Janovic, Jack Kaplan, and Andrew Selig.

First Sisterhood Open Meeting, Oct. 18th

The first open meeting of Sisterhood will be held on Tuesday afternoon, October 18, with a political forum on the Mayoralty election. Mrs. Harry Haber is chairman. There will be speakers representing all the major political parties. All Sisterhood open meetings will offer programs of varied and timely topics. No calendar will be sent out this year, so all members are advised to watch the BULLETIN for notices of coming events of interest to all.

Parents' Association Extends Greeting

It is with a great deal of warmth that the Parents' Association extends New Year's Greetings to all the parents of our Religious School.

Once more the *Shofar* challenges us us to reexamine our problems and to attack them with awakened and renewed interest.

We, as parents, hold in our hands the key to the spiritual development and fulfillment of our children.

With the sound of the *Shofar* ringing in our ears let us pledge ourselves to work together so that as parents we can say to our children — "Go forth unafraid."

Men's Club Performs Ushering Service

For the very capable ushering job done during the High Holy Day Services, the thanks of the Congregation are extended to the Men's Club. This group volunteered to take over the job of ushering in the Synagogue, thereby contributing to the beautiful and meaningful services conducted by our Rabbis and Cantor.

At the present time, the Men's Club has 210 members. They are aiming for a membership of 500 men and repeat most earnestly their invitation to enroll immediately and to attend the meetings on the first Tuesday in each month.

Religious School Open To Further Registration

The Religious School is in full session with a school registration greater than last year.

However, the employment of additional teachers and the establishment of the three-day-a-week school makes possible smaller classes and room for additional enrollment.

The School Board has extended school registration until October 15th to give parents, who are returning to the city from summer vacations, an opportunity to register their children.

Enroll your child in the Religious School today.

Consecration Services

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themselves while the younger boys and girls will be given flags. Refreshments will be served following the services. All the members of the school and their friends are urged to celebrate *Simhath Torah* with us this year.

The following are the names of the new students in our primary and upper department. The new students in our Sunday session are: Muriel Abrahams, Robert Berglas, Joan Fabricant, Stephen Fabry, William Feyer, Ronald Franklin, Nicholaus Steven Freud, Leona Giat, James S. Gordon, Leslie Granowitz, Gail Green, Raymond Grossman, Jane Jacobs, John Kogan, Robert Newman, Jonathan Ostriker, Karin Rothenberg, Peter Rothenberg, Milton Speet, John Stangel, Linda Ellen Stewart, Henry Tuteur, John B. Waldbaum, and Leon Weisberg.

Adult Education Members Plan Program

Mr. Harold Starkman, chairman of the Adult Education Committee has announced that during the summer some changes were made in the membership of the committee.

This year's program is now being planned by the following people: Miss Helen Bauer, Mrs. Mitchell Bernstein, Mrs. Rose Blondheim, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Frankel, Mrs. Abraham N. Geller, Mr. and Mrs. Saul Godwin, Mrs. Harry Gold, Mr. and Mrs. William Goldman, Mr. Dudley L. Greenstein, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hamerman, Mr. and Mrs. Victor J. Herwitz, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Kaplan, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Howard Katz, Mr. Edward Kaye, Mr. Howard Kieval, Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Leventhal, Mr. and Mrs. Harold H. Levin, Miss Jo Levy, Mr. and Mrs. Sandor Mark, Mr. Lawrence A. Meyers, Dr. and Mrs. Michael Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Miller, Dr. and Mrs. Arthur Morse, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Nass, Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. Shy Rosen, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Sadowsky, Dr. and Mrs. Albert Salomon, Mrs. Harold R. Starkman and Mr. and Mrs. Archie Thurman.

The new students in the Hebrew School are: Lawrence David Ackman, Meryl Blau, Maxwell Davidson, Leroy Fass, Cecily Falkenstein, John Galton, Judith Geller, Stanley Gordon, John Kogan, Gary Manacher, Marilyn Schneider, Hugh Straus, and Susan Wimpfheimer.

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Adult Education Courses Begin October 31st

Major Lecture Course on "The Age of the Prophets"

The first meeting of the Adult Education Committee was held at the home of Rabbi and Mrs. Steinberg at which time discussion centered primarily on plans for courses for the coming year. It was decided that a number of auxiliary courses as well as a major lecture course would be offered. The program will be presented as a service, tuition free, to all the members of the Congregation and their friends. Monday, October 31st, will mark the opening session. The course will continue for seven consecutive Monday evenings.

Variety of Courses Offered

The major lecture course, "The Age of The Prophets", will have as its instructor Rabbi Simon Noveck. The auxiliary courses will include one in the field of Jewish music to be led by Cantor David J. Putterman, one entitled "The Prayer Book as History, Literature and Devotion" to be conducted by Rabbi Mordecai Waxman of Temple Israel, Great Neck, L. I., and several Hebrew courses for beginners and more advanced students.

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Installation of Rabbi Noveck, Oct. 21st; Rabbi S. Greenberg to be Keynoter

On Friday night, October 21, at the opening late Friday evening service, the formal installation of our new Associate Rabbi Simon Noveck will take place. Professor Simon Greenberg, Provost of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, and professor of education, will deliver the keynote address. The installation charge will be given by Rabbi Milton Steinberg. Greetings on behalf of the Board of Trustees and the affiliated organizations of the congregation will be given by Mr. Benjamin Sack, chairman of the Board, while Dr. E. D. Friedman will represent the Congregation as a whole.

Reception to Follow

Cantor David J. Putterman will render a special musical selection in honor of the occasion, and Rabbi Noveck will deliver a brief response at the end of the installation ceremony.

Following the formal service in the Synagogue auditorium, a reception in his honor will be tendered by Rabbi Noveck in the vestry. Every Synagogue member is earnestly urged to attend this outstanding function which marks a milestone in the progress of the life of the Congregation.

Letters Pay Tribute to Rabbi Simon Noveck

Letters of praise and congratulations have been coming in from many of Rabbi Noveck's friends and associates, since word has gone out of his appointment as Associate Rabbi of the Park Avenue Synagogue. The BULLETIN can not print all the letters that have come, nor can it print them in full. The following excerpts will attest the esteem and affection which is felt for him.

Unusual Ability as a Teacher

From Rabbi Albert I. Gordon, Executive Director of the United Synagogues of America:

"I have known Rabbi Noveck and have had the opportunity to know something of his unusual ability as a spiritual leader and teacher. I know that he is held in high esteem by the National Young Peoples League because of his unusual ability to win the regard of our young people. Above all else, Rabbi Noveck is

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Junior Congregation Services Sabbath Morns

Junior Congregation Services are being held every Saturday morning at 11:00 o'clock in the Vestry of the Synagogue. All members of the Sunday School from the ages of 6 through 9 are urged to attend, in addition to those in the regular Religious School. The service is conducted by Mr. Sanford Hahn with the assistance of Mrs. Alice Jackson, the music teacher, and a special organist who comes each Saturday morning to play for the children.

A feature of these services will be a dramatic story from Hebrew literature told by a different member of the Faculty each Saturday.

One of the members of the Faculty will also deliver a brief review of current events during the week just past, so that the children may be cognizant

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sabbath Eve ..... Friday, October 21st, 8:30 p.m.
Installation of Rabbi Simon Noveck
Keynote address of Rabbi Simon Greenberg

Sabbath Morning ..... Saturday, October 22nd, 10:00 a.m.

Sabbath Eve ..... Friday, October 28th, 8:30 p.m.

Rabbi Milton Steinberg will speak on
"Must Liberals be Ineffectual? — A Pre-Election Inquiry"

Sabbath Morning ..... Saturday, October 29th, 10:00 a.m.

Musical portion of Service under direction of Cantor Putterman, assisted by choir. Mr. Isidor Geller at the organ.

Daily Evening Worship ..... 5:45 p.m.

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From The Desk of Rabbi Steinberg

What is expected of members of our congregation by way of support for organizations outside the Synagogue? It is assumed of course that any person sufficiently spiritual and socially responsible to join a religious fellowship will feel moved to give himself to other causes as well. But among the many extra-mural institutions and movements appealing for his affiliation and aid, are there any to which in particular he is directed by our Synagogue?

There are three such, approved officially by the Board of Trustees.

Thus, the congregation *expects* of every member that he shall be a contributor to both the United Jewish Appeal and Federation. These constitute minimal and inescapable obligations for any loyal Jew, and it is indeed questionable, as Dr. Israel Goldstein has suggested, whether any Jew has the right to be a member of a congregation if he is wilfully derelict in so elemental and crucial a moral obligation. The matter is one which needs careful exploration, and I am suggesting to the Board of Trustees and the Committee on Adult Education that discussions be initiated as to whether support of U.J.A. and Federation shall not be set up as a precondition to either the assumption or the retention of membership in our Synagogue.

The overwhelming mass of our congregants require no such prodding. Nevertheless, I write these lines for them too, that they may be mindful, in making their contributions, that among other things they are fulfilling the expectation of their Synagogue.

HELP WANTED !

Serving the Synagogue for the last four years, BULLETIN staff desires to continue its efficient coverage of Synagogue news and interests. However, we find that unless we get your active cooperation, it will be difficult to continue the standards we have set.

Therefore, interested members of the Congregation, 16 to 60, are urged to join our staff in performing a necessary service to our Synagogue.

Again, the congregation *urges* that every member will contribute to the maintenance and advancement of the central institutions of Conservative Judaism:

The Jewish Theological Seminary, training school of our rabbis and religious teachers, great seat of Jewish learning and inspiration, and parent body to such enterprises as the Eternal Light on the radio and the Jewish Museum.

The United Synagogue of America, which is the federation of congregations like our own and is playing an increasingly effective role in the creation of more meaningful Synagogue programs.

The Rabbinical Assembly of America, the association of conservative rabbis, the philosophy-making organ of Conservative Judaism.

All these agencies have pooled their fund-raising. Our Synagogue conducts an annual campaign which is offhandedly described as being on behalf of "The Seminary", whereas in fact it is on behalf of all three bodies and so on behalf of Conservative Judaism as a whole.

Finally, the Synagogue *suggests* membership in the Reconstructionist Foundation, the fountainhead of the philosophy and program of the Synagogue's rabbis and of many, though not by any means of all, of our congregants. As a school of thought influential and creative among us this deserves the support of all who can give it in good conscience.

This is the list of the "approved" extra-mural causes of the Park Avenue Synagogue. And since, no Synagogue any more than a man, is an island to itself all entire, it is to be hoped that each congregant will feel the obligation of these as integral to his obligation to the Synagogue itself.

—MILTON STEINBERG

Births

Our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Haft on the birth of a grandson, and to the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gains; our best wishes to Dr. and Mrs. Frank E. Cross on the birth of a grandson, David Robert Perlo, and to the parents, Dr. and Mrs. Vincent Perlo, the former Phyllis Cross.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Robbins upon the birth of their grandchild.

Bar Mitzvah

Congratulations to Robert Rifkind, son of Judge and Mrs. Simon Rifkind, who will celebrate his *Bar Mitzvah* on Saturday, October 22nd.

Anniversaries

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Emil Fuchs on their fortieth wedding anniversary on September 11th.

Our best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Klein who celebrated their thirty-eighth wedding anniversary on October 25th. Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Louis Cohen on their thirtieth wedding anniversary on October 26th.

Birthday

Mazel Tov to Mr. Jacob Friedman, Jr. on the occasion of his birthday.

Congratulations to Mr. George Osserman, son of Dr. and Mrs. Harold Osserman on being admitted to the Bar.

Sisterhood Announces Annual Donor Luncheon

The Sisterhood's Annual Donor Luncheon will be held this year at the Starlight Roof of the Waldorf Astoria Hotel on Thursday, December 8th. Mrs. Dorothy Gellert is Chairman of this event, Mrs. I. E. Gevirtz will serve as her Co-chairman.

The sale of one luncheon book for a total of fifteen dollars entitles one to the luncheon and, in addition, to the entertainment, being planned by Mrs. Harry Sokolow, which by itself is always worth the price of admission. Many valuable prizes will also be offered.

Send in all luncheon book stubs as soon as possible, together with your checks, please. It is impossible for Sisterhood to complete all of its obligations without the full cooperation of its members. Captains are urged to keep in touch with members of their teams, so that this year's luncheon may surpass all others.

Men's Club To Hold Card Party, Nov. 1st

On Tuesday evening, November 1st, at 8:15 p.m. in the Vestry there will be a Men's Club meeting. This will be in the form of a Card Party. As an added attraction there will be door prizes and table prizes as well as booby prizes for the all-time low score at Canasta.

This meeting will be preceded by a most informative discussion of current Jewish events by Rabbi Milton Steinberg. Refreshments will also be served. All men of the Congregation are urged to make every effort to attend and enjoy an evening of fellowship with their fellow congregants.

The membership drive of the Men's Club is still under way.

Junior Congregation

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of the latest developments in Jewish communities all over the world. Martin Leichtling, the principal of the school is on hand each Saturday morning. Rabbi Noveck has promised from time to time to leave the main congregational service in order to address the children assembled. The liturgical music for the Junior Congregation is identical with that of the main Congregation, having been prepared by Cantor David Putterman.

Junior Congregation Officers

Election of officers will soon take place for the Junior Congregation. It is planned to organize a regular congregation for the children with membership cards, dues and all the obligations and privileges that go with congregational life. A congregational bulletin will be published, and social affairs will be sponsored by the Junior Congregation.

Jewish Education Committee Awards

A system of awards and achievement prizes is being established by Rabbi Noveck and Mr. Leichtling. This system of awards is part of a city-wide program sponsored by the Jewish Education Committee. It is hoped that by attending services, reading books from the school library, attaining good grades in their scholastic work, and showing an all-around interest in Jewish life, many of the children will be awarded prizes in June by the Jewish Education Committee and by the Jewish Theological Seminary.

Letters of Tribute Received

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a truly wonderful human being, possessing a sense of humility, while retaining a sense of dignity. I know that Rabbi Noveck will, in short order, win the respect and confidence of young and old alike in the Park Avenue Synagogue."

Left Indelibly Grateful Feeling

From Mr. A. A. Bearman, President of the Baldwin Jewish Centre during Rabbi Noveck's service as its spiritual leader:

"His ability to transmit his knowledge of talmudic literature and tradition makes him an outstanding Rabbi and teacher. We fully realized our loss when he was called to a more important pulpit, for his work in our congregation and community left an indelibly grateful feeling in the hearts of all privileged to know him."

Inspired Congregation with Love

From the Board of Trustees of Temple Beth-El, Cedarhurst, L. I., Rabbi Noveck's next post:

"During his tenure as spiritual leader of our Temple he rendered exceptional and meritorious service with great ability, energy and patience, and a fine spirit of cooperation. He taught us to carry our faith into everday affairs and greater tolerance of one creed for another.

He inspired us with love, respect and admiration of our religion and for the history of our people. He became endeared to our congregation, our children and our community."

Awareness to Responsibilities of Modern Judaism

From Mr. Milton Danziger, president of Congregation B'nai Israel of Freeport, L. I., from whence Rabbi Noveck comes to our pulpit, writing directly to Rabbi Noveck upon his departure:

"It is with a deep sense of gratitude for the awakened spirit you leave behind you in the Jewish Community in Freeport that I speak the thanks of the Officers, Board of Trustees, the Congregation and myself for the awareness to the responsibilities of moden Judaism which you have generated within the Congregation during your stay with us.

The physical growth of our Congregation has been accompanied in spiritual stature, for which you are entitled to full credit. The model Religious School we now enjoy and cherish is a worthy testimony to the dynamism with which you approached our educational problems."

Sense of Consecration

From Rabbi Louis M. Levitsky, head of the Seminary School of Jewish Studies, a member of whose staff Rabbi Noveck has been for a number of years:

"My personal admiration of many years standing for his character and capacities has been confirmed by the faculty and the students of the Seminary School of Jewish Studies. His sense of consecration makes of him an effective guide and spiritual leader."

An Inspiring Teacher

From Hillman M. Bishop, Assistant Professor of Government, and former sub-chairman of the Department of Government of the School of Civic and Business Administration of the College of the City of New York, on whose staff Rabbi Noveck served as an instructor:

"During the period when he was a member of the department, he showed himself to be an inspiring teacher with an extraordinary ability to arouse in his students a sustained interest in the problems and the implications of democracy. It was a great loss to the department when he decided to devote his full time to writing and Rabbinic duties."

Abiding Love for Judaism

From Rabbi Harold H. Gordon, General Secretary of The New York Board of Rabbis:

"Since his ordination, Rabbi Noveck has impressed his colleagues as a Rabbi who is ever conscious of his sacred mission and motivated by a deep and abiding love for Judaism. His secular erudition and his experience as an educator coupled with his Jewish learning served to qualify him in an extraordinary degree as a Rabbi—in the original Hebraic meaning of that title—as a teacher."

UJA Sponsors "Nite of Stars"

This year's Chairman of Women's Division of the "Nite of Stars" for the benefit of the United Jewish Appeal, which will take place at Madison Square Garden on Monday, November 14th, is Mrs. Louis Grossman. In addition, she is the representative of the Park Avenue Synagogue for this big event.

For those who do not already know it, the "Nite of Statrs" is the big show of the season, and it merits the full support of our congregants and affiliated groups. Not only is it unsurpassed entertainment, but the proceeds, needless-to-say, go to a most worthwhile cause.

The tickets range in price from $2.40 to $24.00 each, and may be purchased from Mrs. Grossman at the Synagogue office.

Adult Education Courses

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Following the course on "The Age of the Prophets" there will be a series of four lectures on the Sociology of Religion to be given by Prof. Albert Salomon of the New School for Social Research and a member of the Congregation. During the month of February a series of lectures will be given by Rabbi Milton Steinberg on the theme "Great Theological Issues of Our Day."

Second Semester Plans Made

For the second semester, Rabbi Noveck will conduct a course on the "Jewish View of Jesus," treating in detail the relationship of Judaism to the rise of Christianity.

A brochure describing these courses in detail will reach the Congregation in the very near future. It is hoped that every member will take full advantage of the excellent opportunities being offered. The Adult Education Committee looks forward to your cooperation in making this an outstanding year in the history of Adult Education at the Park Avenue Synagogue.

Hon. S. Rifkind Speaks for Seminary Group

The Honorable Simon H. Rifkind, Judge of the United States District Court and former adviser on Jewish affairs to General Dwight D. Eisenhower in the European Theatre of Operations and a leading member of the Park Avenue Synagogue, called upon the lay leaders of American Jewry for more active cooperation in meeting their responsibilities toward the Jewish Community, at the Convocation opening the 63rd academic year of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, on Tuesday, September 27th.

Speaking before an audience of 1200, Judge Rikfind stated that "Judaism does not divide the community into clergy and laity, but only into the learned and ignorant."

Urges Better Informed Laity

"First, lay leadership must undertake to see to it that the laity generally, is better informed, and develops habits of learning."

"Second," he continued, "Jewish lay leaders should in their personal lives strive to exemplify standards of conduct which we can proudly call Jewish. I mean specifically that they ought to exert themselves in their ordinary affairs so as to make evident that they regard the ennoblement of the human personality as their personal aim . . . that they pursue their ideals not because they are profitable, not when they are profitable, but pursue them relentlessly even when they involve pain and travail."

Obligations of Lay Leadership

Judge Rifkind lastly emphasized the Jewish laity's need for taking the initiative in establishing and sustaining the institutions required by the Jewish religious community and particularly its educational facility.

"If we persist in such endeavors," Judge Rifkind concluded, "we may yet recreate a society in which Torah is not the private possession of the selected but the democratic resource of the whole House of Israel from which generation after generation of mankind, of all creeds and colors, will draw everlasting strength and happiness."

Thank You

The Synagogue wishes to take this opportunity to extend its thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dubin for their generosity in supplying all the furits and vegetables which decorated the Synagogue *Succah* and to Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Prensky who contributed the wine for the festival.

Our deep appreciation is expressed to Messrs. Arthur and Edward Pollak for their decoration of the interior of the Ark for the High Holy Day services.

Parents' Association Symposium Planned

The Parents' Association of the Park Avenue Synagogue will hold its first open meeting on November 15th, in the Vestry. Plans are under way for a symposium on "The Synagogue and Your Child — Are Religious Observances Necessary for Child Development?" One of the participants will be Prof. Sam Hendel of C.C.N.Y. who will take the negative point of view. The names of other participants in the discussion will be listed in the next issues of the BULLETIN. Program Chairman for this year is Mrs. Theodore Kaplan.

JUNIOR LEAGUE TEA

The Junior League has announced that there will be a Reception and Tea to welcome Rabbi Simon Noveck on Wednesday evening, October 26th at 8:30 P.M. This will give its members an opportunity to meet our new Associate Rabbi. Miss Judith Klenert and Mrs. Marvin Cohen are co-chairmen of this event.

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Parents' Association Sponsors Book Fair

On November 14th, 15th and 16th, the Parents' Association of the Park Avenue Synagogue will once again sponsor the annual Book Fair. To launch the Fair, parents and children are cordially invited to attend the opening tea to be held at 2:30 P.M., on Monday, November 14th in the Vestry Rooms.

Mr. Herbert Kruckman, originator of "Little Joey," the well known cartoon appearing in World Over Magazine, will give a "Chalk Talk" illustrated with cartoons.

Books for All Ages

The Fair will feature books for grown-ups and children of all age groups. In addition to books on Jewish life and thought, there will be a number of books on the new State of Israel, as well as record albums on Jewish music, some of which have been recorded by our own Cantor Putterman.

Under the capable chairmanship of Mrs. George Heyman, an excellent exhibit has been arranged for the three days of the Fair. Here is a splendid opportunity to purchase desirable gifts and at the same time augment the funds of the Parents' Association.

Professor Hans Simons To Occupy Pulpit Nov. 11th on "Armistice But No Peace"

Professor Hans Simons

Initiates Monthly Series Sponsored By Adult Education Committee

The Adult Education Committee is pleased to announce that it will begin its program of inviting outstanding speakers to occupy the pulpit monthly, on Friday evening, November 11th, when Professor Hans Simons will be guest lecturer for the Congregation.

The topic to be discussed will be "Armistice But No Peace." Professor Simons will discuss the current crisis in American-Soviet relations and its implications. He is admirably equipped to speak on this subject, having worked and taught in the field of political science and international relations for many years. He has been Dean of the School of Politics, New School for Social Research, and had served as chief of the governmental structures branch of the American Office of Military Government for Germany.

An *Oneg Shabbat* will follow the service, so that everyone may meet Professor Simons and have an opportunity to discuss his topic of the evening at greater length.

35 Days to Luncheon

This year the Annual Donor Luncheon of the Sisterhood will be held on Thursday, December 8th at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, instead of the usual Spring-time date. Please reserve this important day and support your Sisterhood's only fund-raising function by making your reservation early.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sabbath Eve ..... Friday, Nov. 4th, 8:30 p.m.

Rabbi Simon Noveck will speak on

"Can Intermarriage be Successful?"

Light the *Sabbath* Candles: 4:28 p.m.

Sabbath Morning ..... Saturday, Nov. 5th, 10:00 a.m.

Sabbath Eve ..... Friday, Nov. 11th, 8:30 p.m.

Prof. Hans Simons will speak on

"Armistice But No Peace"—The Crisis in American-Soviet Relations

Light the *Sabbath* Candles: 4:20 p.m.

Sabbath Morning ..... Saturday, Nov. 12th, 10:00 a.m.

Musical portion of Service under direction of Cantor Putterman, assisted by choir. Mr. Isidor Geller at the organ.

Daily Evening Worship ..... 5:45 p.m.

Report on Kol Nidre Appeal for UJA Funds

Dr. Harold A. Osserman, chairman of the special UJA Committee, has announced the results of the Congregation's wholehearted response to Rabbi Milton Steinberg's *Kol Nidre* appeal for funds for this organization.

The sum of $33,750 was pledged. This was in addition to previous pledges made by a large number of the congregants.

However, there is one distressing note. That is the fact that, to date, 27 per cent of our members have made no pledge to the UJA drive. The desperate need for money has been stressed over and over again, though it becomes no less acute with each retelling.

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From The Desk of Rabbi Noveck

ONE of the common delusions of American Jews is that Jewish education is essentially a matter for children and young people. A knowledge of Jewish history and the Hebrew language and an acquaintance with the customs and ceremonies of our people, they concede, is important for their children but for themselves life has other more urgent demands. They can keep up with Jewish life, they insist, by reading the daily press and a few periodicals.

As we set out on a new year of Synagogue activities, may I remind you why, in my opinion, Jewish study is equally important for adults as well as for children.

First, there is the basic psychological fact that as Alvin Johnson of the New School once put it "our intellectual possessions are perishable goods". We forget almost as fast as we learn unless we accept the necessity for constant renewal of our learning.

The authors of the Bible understood this when they wrote "If you leave it (your studies) one day they leave you two days." How much do we really recall of our courses in college or our pre-*Bar Mitzvah* training? The mind, as a contemporary social observer said, is a "vessel which constantly needs to be filled; or rather to speak more justly it is a living thing which needs to be constantly exercised and breathed."

Secondly, there is the inherent complexity, comprehensiveness, and vastness of the Jewish tradition which only adults with maturity and an adequate general educational background can understand. Compare, for example, the American culture which at best began less than three and a half centuries ago, with Jewish culture which took fifteen centuries to develop its original classic form in the *Talmud* and another fifteen centuries to reach our own day. Consider the many ancient civilizations that have influenced Judaism: Egyptian, Phoenician, Babylonian, Persian, Greek, Roman—not to speak of the countless European civilizations and you will have an idea of the difficulty of understanding our heritage. Moreover, Judaism involves not only Religion and law, but history, literature, mores, philosophy — the organic completeness of life itself. Even if we received a good Jewish education when young, undoubtedly, we took from it only what we could digest. I confess that though I studied the prophet Amos in Hebrew School, and restudied it at the Seminary, it is only now, as I am preparing for the course on the prophets that I am beginning to appreciate the majesty and beauty of this great Religious innovator.

Thirdly, as adults we have new motivations and needs and our studying is likely to be more fruitful, particularly for those of us who belong to Jewish organizations and for whom Judaism is an integral part of our lives. Can one really be a good Zionist without some knowledge of the language of our brethren in Israel and some awareness of the forces at play in the new state? Can one be a real member of *Hadassah* without a knowledge of Jewish history both classic and modern and the structure of the American Jewish community? Can one participate fully in *B'nai B'rith* or the Council of Jewish Women without a real Jewish background?

Finally, there is the tradition of study which is so important an aspect of basic Judaism. A group of men in a congregation in Baltimore last week completed the study of the entire *Talmud* after a number of years. They devoted an hour a day five days a week to this project. Surely, we in New York can devote an hour or two a week for a few weeks to try to understand some aspect of our history or literature. Without this tradition of study, Judaism in America will be endangered. With it, we will become strengthened with a new faith and a new purpose.

I write all this in the hope that those of you who read this column will place the courses to be given by Rabbi Steinberg, Prof. Salomon, Rabbi Waxman and myself on Monday evenings on your agenda of Synagogue committments for this year and if you have to make a choice among activities, that you will give these courses a high priority.

—SIMON NOVECK

The Secretary would be pleased to receive from all members the names and college address of their children, in order to send them the BULLETIN of the Synagogue.

Calendar of Events

November 4th, Friday evening, 8:30, Rabbi Simon Noveck, "Can Intermarriage Be Successful?"

November 7th, Monday evening, Adult Education Courses begin.

November 10th, Thursday evening, 8:30, Junior League meeting at the Jewish Museum.

November 11th, Friday evening, 8:30, Prof. Hans Simons, "Armistice But No Peace."

November 13th, Sunday evening, 8:30, Junior League Open House, Vestry, Mr. Victor Herwitz guest speaker.

November 14th, Monday evening, Adult Education Courses continue.

November 14th through November 16th, Parents' Association Book Fair.

November 15th, Tuesday afternoon, Vestry, Sisterhood Open Meeting, Mrs. Abraham Geller, "What I Saw in Israel."

November 15th, Tuesday evening, Men's Club Tour of the Jewish Museum.

November 16th, Wednesday evening, 8:30, Vestry, Parents' Association Open Meeting, Symposium, "Your Child and the Synagogue—Are Religious Observances Necessary?", Rabbi Simon Noveck and Prof. Samuel Hendel.

Mr. Irving Geist Honored by Veterans

A Testimonial Dinner will be tendered to Mr. Irving Geist on Thursday, November 3rd at the Waldorf Astoria. Mr. Geist, a prominent member of the Park Avenue Synagogue, will be honored by many Veterans organizations, in appreciation of his efforts in behalf of wounded, sick, and disabled veterans.

Adult Education Courses Begin Monday, Nov. 7th

The Adult Education program will begin on November 7th, not on October 31st, as announced in the last issue of the BULLETIN.

The lectures have been postponed one week in order to allow sufficient time for the brochure to reach the membership. It was delayed due to printing difficulties, and it is important that everyone be fully informed as to the courses to be offered before they begin.

Open to All Members

The major lecture course, "The Age of The Prophets," will have as its instructor Rabbi Simon Noveck. The auxiliary courses will include one in the field of Jewish music to be led by Cantor David J. Putterman, one entitled "The Prayer Book as History, Literature and Devotion" to be conducted by Rabbi Mordecai Waxman of Temple Israel, Great Neck, L. I., and several Hebrew courses for beginners and more advanced students.

The program will be presented as a service, tuition free, to all the members of the Congregation and their families, and will continue for seven consecutive Monday evenings.

Men's Club To Tour Jewish Museum

On Tuesday evening, November 15th, at 8:15 P.M., the Men's Club is sponsoring a lecture tour to the Jewish Museum at 92nd Street and Fifth Avenue. All Club members and their friends are invited to be present. Dr. Stephen S. Kayser, the Curator at the Museum, will conduct a personal lecture tour and welcome the members. Make certain to be present and bring your friends.

Mrs. A. Geller Adresses Sisterhood on Israel

On Tuesday, November 15th, there will be a Sisterhood Meeting. Mrs. Abraham Geller a prominent member of Sisterhood, will speak on "What I Saw in Israel." All members are asked to bring a friend for this gala meeting. Mrs. Shy Rosen chairman of Membership will welcome them. Sandwiches, dessert and coffee will be served from 1 to 1:30, before the start of the program.

Parents' Association to Hold First Meeting

Debate between Rabbi Noveck and Prof. Hendel Feature of Evening

Fireworks on Wednesday evening, November 16th at 8:30 P.M.! On that date, the Parents' Association of the Park Avenue Synagogue will present an outstanding program to initiate the fall season.

Religious Observances Necessary?" is the topic to be debated. Arguing for the affirmative will be Rabbi Simon Noveck. Presenting the negative will be Prof. Samuel Hendel, Assistant Professor of Political Science at C.C.N.Y. A lawyer, educator and statesman, Professor Hendel has also won the rare distinction of having been voted the most popular teacher at C.C.N.Y. Two of our members will present the parents' point of view.

Under the capable chairmanship of Mrs. Theodore Kaplan, the Program Committee has arranged a stimulating evening. We hope that you and your friends will be present to give our speakers a rousing welcome and to enjoy this four star program.

Bar Mitzvah

Congratulations to Mark E. Frankel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold O. Frankel, who will celebrate his *Bar Mitzvah* on Saturday, November 12th.

Engagement

Congratulations to Dr. and Mrs. Theodore Kaplan on the engagement of their daughter, Laura Jane, to Mr. Oliver Popoenoe.

Marriages

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Frederick S. Broverman on the marriage of their daughter, Jane Louise, to Mr. C. Wilfred Jenks on Oct. 19th; to Mr. and Mrs. Archie Thurman on the marriage of their daughter, Beatrice, to Dr. Harvey N. Shapiro on Oct. 23rd; and to Mr. and Mrs. Nat Glass on the marriage of their son, Ensign Stephen S., to Miss Aileen H. Harris on Oct. 30th.

Deaths

We extend our deepest sympathy to Mr. Samuel Witte on the death of his father, Mr. Louis Witte; and to Mrs. Alexander Kaplan, on the loss of her mother, Mrs. Hindy Singer.

Junior League Plans Open House Nov. 13th

On Thursday evening, November 10, the members of the Junior League will visit the Jewish Museum at Fifth Avenue and 92nd Street. The group will go on a personally conducted tour of the Museum. A short discussion will follow.

The young members of the Congregation between the ages of 18 and 35 are invited to attend an Open House of the Junior League on Sunday evening, November 13th.

Victor Herwitz To Speak

Mr. Victor Herwitz, noted attorney and prominent member of the Synagogue, will be the speaker for the evening. His topic will be one of vital interest to every young American Jew. It is hoped that all young people who are interested in joining the League, or in becoming acquainted with its members and activities, will take this opportunity.

Once again we remind you that all those interested in joining the Junior League should contact Mr. Louis Heller, President, or Miss Selma Jerskey, Membership Committee Chairman for further details.

Milton Weill In Federation Post

Milton Weill, a member of the Board of Trustees and a prominent member of the Synagogue for many years, has recently been appointed chairman of the Business Men's Council of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies of New York. This council is the volunteer fund-raising organization which annually campaigns for the funds needed to maintain the agencies affiliated with the Federation.

Religious School Hears Account of Israel Trip

A number of the classes attending Sunday session of the Religious School were treated to eyewitness account of a trip to Israel by Mrs. L. Schacht on a recent Sunday morning. The speaker whose son, Michael, is a member of Class 4, spent part of the past summer in Israel. She described her experiences, and answered the many questions put to her by her interested audience.

Announcement Made of Religious School Awards

The Board of Education of the Metropolitan Council of the United Synagogue of America has announced the election of Robert Rifkind and Sylvia Schneider, students in our Religious School, to the *Kessen Torah,* an all-city Honor Society of Students, who have achieved excellence in Hebrew School for a minimum of four years.

Annual Achievement Awards for combined excellence in scholarship, attendance and punctuality, school service and general attitude were awarded to: Paul Bienstock, Susan Helpern, Anthony Greenwald, Alice Halpern, Ruth Kertzer, Judith Godwin and Jonathan Greenwald.

Perfect Attendance Rewarded

Junior Congregation Attendance Awards for 90% or better attendance during the year were presented to Robert Rifkind, Sylvia Schneider, Sandra Gevirtz, Harriet Levin, Marilyn Schneider, Michael Conde and Doris Wimpfheimer.

School Attendance Award for perfect school attendance during a full year were granted to: Martha Gerken, Doris Wimpfheimer, David Ruttenberg, Martin Gold, Teddy Zucker, Arthur Jacobs, Stanley Nemerov, Sandra Gevirtz, Barton Hoexter, David Hoexter, David Penner and Donald Holzman.

UJA Appeal

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The special Synagogue UJA Committee would be saved a great deal of work and embarrassment if those who have not pledged would do so as soon as possible so that the Park Avenue Synagogue can rightfully claim 100 per cent contributors to the United Jewish Appeal campaign. The need for cash is so great that a double *mitzvah* could be accomplished by redeeming pledges now. Checks can be sent directly to the Synagogue, UJA or to Rabbi Milton Steinberg.

Mrs. Juliette T. Aschner recently returned from a month's sojourn in Israel. She serves on the National Board of Hadassah, as chairman of the National Speakers' Bureau, and went to Israel as a representative of Hadassah.

Faculty Introduced To Congregation

The Religious School has been fortunate in retaining all the good teachers of last year and engaging several new instructors who will add to the excellence of our faculty.

Mr. Sanford Hahn, teacher of Hebrew, has been closely associated with the Synagogue as a student, leader of Junior Congregation, Sunday School teacher and now as teacher of Hebrew. Mr. Hahn is a graduate of Queens College and is at present a rabbinical student at the Jewish Theological Seminary.

Mr. David Silverman, teacher of Hebrew, comes to us from Chicago, where he earned his Master degree in Philosophy at the University of Chicago. He is now working towards his doctorate at Columbia and is a rabbinical student at the Seminary.

New Music Instructor Engaged

Mrs. Alice Jackson, a graduate of the New York School of Music, and a successful music teacher at a number of Congregational Schools will instruct our students in the traditional liturgical music of our Synagogue services so that our Junior Congregants will find little difficulty some day in making the transition to the Senior Congregation.

In a future issue of the BULLETIN short sketches of the other members of the Religious School faculty will be presented, so that the competency of the staff may we well known to every parent whose child attends the school.

New Members Join BULLETIN Staff

It is with great pleasure that the Publications and Publicity Committee announces the addition of several members of the Park Avenue Synagogue to the staff of BULLETIN.

A number of responses have been received as a result of our call for help printed in the last issue. To date, those who have volunteered to aid are Mr. Bob Barzilay, a member of the staff of the New York Times, Miss Estelle Cross, Mrs. Irwin Rome and Miss Muriel Weiner.

We have also received some responses which we have not yet been able to answer and hope to print in full the new BULLETIN staff in our next issue.

Gala Plans Presented For Sisterhood Luncheon

The Thirteenth Annual Donor Luncheon of the Sisterhood will be held on Thursday, December 8th at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel. Mrs. Samuel Gellert, Chairman, and Mrs. I. E. Gevirtz, Co-chairman of this year's luncheon, strongly urge everyone to support Sisterhood's only fund-raising function and purchase her books early so that reservations can be made for all.

The Entertainment Committee, under the direction of Mrs. Harry Sokolow, has been fortunate in securing the services of Mr. Dickinson Eastman of *South Pacific,* and that dynamic husband and wife radio-television team, Jinx Falkenburg and Tex McCrary. Mrs. Sokolow also expects to have other well-known and outstanding guests. This year's luncheon entertainment promises to be better than ever before.

Outstanding Entertainment and Gifts

It is the earnest hope of the committee that everyone will cooperate and fill the Starlight Roof to capacity so that these leading personalities, who have been gracious enough to give of themselves, will be able to help the group maintain its reputation as the outstanding Sisterhood in the City.

Mrs. Irwin Rowe and Mrs. Sigmund Siegel, Co-chairmen of the Raffle Committee announce that the gifts this year are valuable and beautiful. Please buy your chances today!

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Sisterhood Luncheon Planned For Dec. 8th

You have a date with the Sisterhood for the Annual Donor Luncheon on Thursday, December 8th at the Starlight Roof of the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel. Mrs. Dorothy Gellert is chairman and Mrs. I. E. Gevirtz, co-chairman of the event.

Mrs. Harry J. Sokolow, program chairman, has announced that the following celebrities will participate: Franklin D. Roosevelt Jr. will speak, while Dickinson Eastham of "South Pacific", Jinx Falkenberg and Tex McCrary will perform for us.

"The Light of the *Torah*", a musical drama, written, directed and narrated by Mrs. Cecil B. Ruskay, will be presented. Those who remember "Jewish Home Beautiful", also by Mrs. Ruskay, know what a treat is in store for them.

This unusual and highly entertaining program has been made possible through the efforts of Mrs. Sokolow, who has given unstintingly of her time and energy to bring us these outstanding personalities. We can show our gratitude by filling the Starlight Roof to capacity.

Many members have been most generous and have contributed many valuable prizes which will be distributed at the luncheon.

Come One, Come All!

Hanukkah comes in December and Mrs. Saul Granetts, chairman of the *Hanukkah* party to which all Synagogue members and their immediate families are invited, announces that plans will soon be completed for this affair. Watch the BULLETIN for further details.

P.A.S. Host On Thanksgiving Day

Continuing a tradition established over the years, the Synagogue will hold a joint Thanksgiving Day Service with the Society for the Advancement of Judaism. This year the Park Avenue Synagogue will be the host congregation at a Service which will begin at 11:00 a.m. on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 24th.

The services will be conducted by Rabbi Steinberg and Rabbi Noveck, and the message will be delivered by Rabbi Eisenstein. The musical portion of the Service will be given by Cantor Putterman, assisted by the Choir, with Mr. Isidore Geller at the organ.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sabbath Eve . . . . . Friday, Nov. 18th, 8:30 p.m.
Rabbi Milton Steinberg will preach on **"Commentary Magazine"—**
Benefit or Detriment to American Judaism
Light the *Sabbath* Candles: 4:17 p.m.

Sabbath Morning . . . . . Saturday, Nov. 19th, 10:00 a.m.
Rabbi Simon Noveck will preach on
"The Meaning of Prayer"

Thanksgiving Day . . . . . Thursday, Nov. 24th, 11:00 a.m.
Rabbi Ira Eisenstein will preach

Sabbath Eve . . . . . Friday, Nov. 25th, 8:30 p.m.
Rabbi Simon Noveck will preach
Light the *Sabbath* Candles: 4:13 p.m.

Sabbath Morning . . . . . Saturday, Nov. 26th, 10:00 a.m.
Musical portion of Service under direction of Cantor Putterman,
assisted by choir. Mr. Isidor Geller at the organ.

Daily Evening Worship . . . . . 5:45 p.m.

Adult Education Program Begins

Rabbi Noveck to Discuss Isaiah at Session, Nov. 21st

A new era in the history of Adult Education in the Park Avenue Synagogue was begun on Monday evening, November 7th, when this season's courses opened. The large attendance anticipated as the result of heavy advance registration was realized as more and more congregants came on that evening to attend the many worthwhile courses which have been set up.

It is interesting to note that it was necessary to hold two elementary Hebrew classes, instead of the single one for which plans had been made. This is certainly an encouraging note. The other auxiliary courses were equally well attended, while there were approximately 150 people at the principal lecture course on "The Age of the Prophets" being given by Rabbi Noveck.

It is still not too late to join any of the groups and everyone is invited and urged to take advantage of this opportunity.

Registration Still Open

On Monday evening, November 21st, Rabbi Noveck will speak on "Isaiah, Prophet of Holiness". He will discuss the Assyrian domination of the Eastern world, Isaiah's call to prophecy, his opposition to entangling alliances, his criticism of Judah's malpractices, his stress of the holiness of God, his messianic visions, and the role of messianic ideas in later Jewish thought.

The other courses still open for registration are those in Hebrew, one in Jewish music being given by Cantor David Putterman, and another on "The Prayer Book as History, Literature, and Devotion", for which Rabbi Mordecai Waxman of Great Neck, L. I., is the instructor.

A collation will be held at the end of each evening.

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From The Desk of Rabbi Steinberg

"AND now when shall I provide for mine own house also?"

This question, spoken of old by the Patriarch Jacob, arises often to haunt New York's Jews.

Arises? It forces itself on them whenever they look on Jewish hospitals and homes for the aged crowded beyond capacity and safety, whenever they observe the denial to the underprivileged among us, for want of plant and equipment, of essential ministrations.

On no less than three occasions during recent months have I been confronted by the tragic impasse of decent, self-reliant families seeking desperately for nursing homes for their helplessly aged or sick. Each time I have discovered that, because of the dearth of facilities, no relief is available against such misfortunes except at the end of long periods of waiting. Meantime, the incapacitated and healthy alike are damned, the former to unskilled care and the knowledge of being burdens on those they love best and most desire to spare, the latter to intolerable existences and tortured consciences. And these ordeals are but instances taken at random from a vast company of assorted miseries, all equally going by default.

Asked times beyond number in the New York of our day, Jacob's question has heretofore been answered justifiably: "Not yet. Urgent as are needs here, the requirements of Jews in Europe and Israel are more urgent still. Someday, soon, when the D.P. camps are empty and Zion has been rebuilt, we shall have the time and energy, the manpower and resources, the *moral right* to set our own house in order also."

And now all these overseas purposes are being achieved: the weary, sick and broken are being refreshed and healed; the outcast and wandering are coming home; the Hebraic tradition is taking root and flourishing in the soil which gave its birth. Fulfilments wondrous beyond comprehension or appraisal! Only, they are taking their time—a mere instant, to be sure, in the sweeps of Jewish history but very long against the accumulating needs of our community and, even more, against the tragedies which I have adduced by way of illustration.

Were the issue one of waiting one or two years more, we might continue putting it off. But is it not clear that five years certainly, ten years in all likelihood, perhaps a full generation from now, the first of our strength and means will still be absorbed in relief, rehabilitation and construction abroad? That long we cannot afford to wait, nor have we the right.

Not by choice then but by necessity, and because nothing would be gained and much lost by further postponement, has Federation this year coupled a building fund drive for thirty-four million dollars to its maintenance drive for sixteen and a half millions. Both must succeed. Every penny short of the goal in the maintenance fund will spell a penny's less life and welfare to some one; each cent of deficiency in the building fund will mean that having at last undertaken to provide for its own house, New York's Jews shall have done the job inadequately and therefore need to do it again some other time.

The House of Israel is now being built in the land of Israel. But part of that House, and no slight part of it either, lives and will always live in America. When shall *that* part of the House be provided for? The answer has become clearly and incontrovertibly: Now.

Then are we to build two Houses simultaneously, each costly? Just that. Ours is the precious privilege of a free Jewish life in America; ours the solemn gladness of seeing the fulfilment in Israel of the yearnings of the Jewish centuries. From those to whom so much has been given very much may rightfully be expected, even to the building of two Houses at the same time.

—MILTON STEINBERG

Calendar of Events

November 18th, Friday evening, 8:30, Rabbi Milton Steinberg, "Commentary Magazine"—Benefit or Detriment to American Judaism?

November 20th, Sunday evening, 8:30, Junior League "Informal Evening", Vestry.

November 21st, Monday evening, Adult Education courses.

November 22nd, Tuesday, *Rosh Chodesh, Kislev.*

November 22nd, Tuesday evening, meeting of Young Marrieds "B".

November 23rd, Wednesday evening, Seminar Dance, by invitation only.

November 24th, Thursday morning, 11:00, Thanksgiving Day Service.

November 25th, Friday evening, 8:30, Rabbi Simon Noveck will preach.

November 28th, Monday evening, Adult Education courses.

November 30th, Wednesday evening, School Board—Faculty meeting.

December 5th, Tuesday morning, 10:30, Vestry, Parents' Association *Hanukkah* Workshop.

December 6th, Tuesday evening, 8:15, Men's Club Panel Discussion, "How Much Should Government Interfere in Labor-Management Relations?"

December 8th, Thursday noon, Annual Sisterhood Donor Luncheon, Starlight Roof, Hotel Waldorf-Astoria.

Rosh Chodesh Practice Explained

On November 22nd we will celebrate *Rosh Chodesh* for the month of *Kislev.*

Rosh Chodesh or new moon is the first day of the month. In the days of the Temple it was observed as a half holiday.

Now it is greeted by additional prayers, psalms (*Hallel*), and appropriate reading from the *Torah* (Num. 28:1-15). Some months have two days *Rosh Chodesh.* This occurs after a month of thirty days. The thirtieth is the first day of *Rosh Chodesh* of the next month, while the first day of the new month is the second day *Rosh Chodesh.*

Rosh Chodesh is pronounced in the synagogue on the preceding Sabbath, and we pray that the new month be abundantly blessed. The month of *Tishri* is not formally announced, because the first two days are *Rosh Hashanah* which supersedes *Rosh Chodesh.*

Federation Begins Drive For Building Fund

Mrs. E. Cohen and Mrs. S. Diamond Head Synagogue Appeal Committee

Early in October a representative and enthusiastic group of Park Avenue Synagogue women attended a meeting for the purpose of organizing their team for the annual fund-raising campaign for the support of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies.

Since then many meetings have been held throughout the city, so that people might be informed of the necessity for Federation to conduct, in addition to its usual drive for maintenance funds, an appeal for funds for new buildings, for modernization of old ones and for research in the very many areas covered by Federation.

Broad Program Envisioned

Soon one of the twenty women on the Committee will telephone the other women in the synagogue asking them not only to renew last year's contribution, but to donate something to the building fund, as well. The ambition of the Committee is to persuade every woman to contribute to this campaign, so that Federation may be able to carry out its fifty million dollar program.

The team captains, Mrs. Ezra Cohen and Mrs. Sidney Diamond will keep you informed, through The BULLETIN, of the progress of the campaign.

Thanksgiving Dance Is First Seminar Social

On Thanksgiving Eve, November 23rd, the Seminar group will give its first dance. It will be by invitation only for members of the Seminar group, and for their guests. They have each been asked to bring a partner and another couple to augment the attendance and make the vestry, where it will be held, seem warmer and more festive.

This will be an informal dance with entertainment and refreshments. The room will be decorated to suggest the Mayflower, and it is hoped that the dance will start the season well.

Dr. E. D. Friedman Honored by C.C.N.Y.

The Townsend Harris Medal for outstanding post-graduate achievement in "some significant field of human endeavor" has been awarded to five prominent City College alumni, it was announced by Dr. Nelson P. Mead, president of the City College Associate Alumni.

One of the recipients of the award was Dr. Emanuel D. Friedman, '03, eminent neurophychiatrist, Professor Emeritus of Neurology at the New York University-Bellevue School of Medicine, the author of medical treatises, and the President of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

Text of Citation

The citation presented to Dr. Friedman reads as follows:

"The stresses and strains on the individual in modern times have made necessary the development of new fields of medical science. You have been a pioneer in correlating the work of the neurologist with that of the psychiatrist. In the many hospitals where you have served as neurologist, neuropsychiatrist, or consultant, your remarkable diagnostic skill has been demonstrated. In articles in medical journals you have extended the boundaries of our knowledge. For twenty years Professor of Neurology at one of our leading medical schools, you have deeply influenced many who are now themselves distinguished practitioners. But above all, you have exemplified the highest ideals of dignity and humanity. In you *Alma Mater* finds particular reason to rejoice."

"Informal Evening" Junior League Fete

An enjoyable, entertaining surprise is in store for those who attend the next "Informal Evening" being sponsored by the Junior League on Sunday, November 20th, at 8:30 p.m., in the Synagogue Vestry. Miss Zelda Halperin and Mr. Philip Winter are co-chairmen, and a donation of $1.00 will admit you.

This is another of the fund-raising affairs held every third Sunday, the proceeds of which are given to several very worthwhile charities.

Don't forget—Sunday, November 20th at 8:30 p.m. for an evening of fun!

Men's Club To Hold Symposium, Dec. 6th

Experts Will Discuss Government and Labor-Management Relations

The Men's Club has scheduled a most timely and important panel discussion for Tuesday evening, December 6th, at 8:15 P.M. The topic will be "How Much Should Government Interfere in Labor-Management Relations?" with Dr. Martin P. Catherwood, Dean of the School of Industrial Labor Relations at Cornell University, serving as Chairman and Moderator of the discussion. Four men with wide and varied experience in the field will make up the panel. Representing the view of management will be Mr. Hiram Hall, Personnel Director of the Bigelow-Sanford Carpet Co. Labor's viewpoint will be presented by two outstandingly qualified leaders, Dr. John Conners, National Head of the Workers Education Bureau, A.F.L., and Mr. Morris Iushewitz, Secretary-Treasurer of the City C.I.O. Council. Government's role in labor-management relations will be expounded by Mr. Theodore Kheel, attorney and former director of the New York City Division of Labor Relations.

Membership Drive

Preceding the panel discussion Rabbi Simon Noveck will review current Jewish events. The meeting will take place in the Vestry.

This is but one of the many programs which marks the vitality and interest of the Men's Club activities. Prospective members are encouraged to attend this discussion and all men of the Congregation are urged to bring such candidates with them. A drive for members is under way and this panel is an attractive introduction to pique their interest and appetite. Refreshments will be served.

Religious School Marks Nov. 29th Anniversary

Religious School will recall November 29th when the United Nations presented to the world the decision which created the State of Israel.

In celebration of the event, Confirmation Class members plan to present before the members of the Junior Congregation a Headline Parade playlet entitled, "If I Forget Thee . . ."

Young Marrieds "B" Plans Program for Year

The opening meeting of Young Marrieds "B" took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold E. Warshaw on Tuesday evening, October 18th.

Rabbi Milton Steinberg and Rabbi Simon Noveck were present to help formulate plans for the coming season.

After considerable discussion the group selected a program designed to fit their common problems as parents, with respect to the raising of their children in the Jewish religion.

Orientation Discussed

This series of discussion meetings will consider the viewpoint of the parent regarding the training of the child; the problems faced by the child when he first encounters anti-semitism, presentation to the child of the God idea and the Bible, significance of religious holidays with particular attention to *Hanukkah* and Christmas, observance of the Sabbath, origin and observance of dietary laws, and the orientation of the child in mixed society.

The next meeting will take place on Tuesday evening, November 22nd at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Selig, 170 West 73rd St., New York City.

Additional Members of Faculty Introduced

The Religious School has recently announced the addition of several new members to its faculty.

Mrs. Selma K. Rosen, a graduate of Brooklyn College, earned her Bachelor of Jewish Pedagogy at the Teachers' Institute of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America. She instructed at *Beth Hayeled*, one of the foremost Jewish Kindergartens, for three years and also at Camp *Atid*.

Mrs. Shulamith Fain Scherman, an old friend to some of you, as a former teacher at the Synagogue, has returned to the staff this fall. As the Program Director of the Jewish Education Committee, Mrs. Scherman planned Hebrew interest programs for classes and assemblies in "Y" centers, public high schools and camps. She graduated from Hunter College and attended courses sponsored by the Jewish Theological Seminary and the Bureau of Jewish Education.

Births

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Helman on the birth of their child, to Judge and Mrs. Benjamin Marrin on the birth of their grandson, Benjamin Andrew, to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Liebson on the birth of their grandson, Herbert James, to Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Mishkin on the birth of their daughter, and to Mrs. Sadie Collier on the birth of her granddaughter.

Marriages

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Bernstein on the marriage of their daughter, Sarah Jane, to Mr. David Fuchs on November 21st, and to Mr. Paul Smolian on the marriage of his daughter, Rita Lenore to Mr. Sidney Zucker on November 24th.

Anniversaries

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Abraham N. Geller on their 20th wedding anniversary, November 19th, to Mr. and Mrs. D. Leonard Cohen whose 25th anniversary will occur on November 20th, to Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Heyman on their 30th wedding anniversary, November 21st and to Mr. and Mrs. Julius Oltarsh on their 25th wedding anniversary to be celebrated November 23rd.

Deaths

We extend our deepest sympathy to Mrs. Louis Hoffenberg on the loss of her husband, Louis,, to Mr. Jacob Starr on the loss of his brother, Maxwell, and to Mr. Alvin Lichtenberg on the death of his mother, Mrs. Celia Lichtenberg.

School Board Entertains Religious School Staff

The School Board, Rabbi Steinberg, Rabbi Noveck, and Cantor Putterman will meet the Faculty of the Religious School on Wednesday evening November 30th. This follows the tradition of an annual reception which is held to enable the faculty to meet the people who help set the policies which they carry out so successfully.

Miss Bella Spielman, a former teacher at Temple *Sinai* and the Community Reform Temple in Brooklyn, has also counseled at Camp *Achvah* and *Yavneh*, a Hebrew-speaking camp, where she was a Division Head. Miss Spielman is a graduate of Hunter College and Herzliah Teachers' Seminary.

Hanukkah Workshop by Parents' Association

Instruction Offered On All Phases of *Hanukkah* Observance

Under the auspices of the Parents' Association, a *Hanukkah* Workshop will be held on Tuesday morning, December 6th, at 10:30 in the Vestry of the Synagogue.

Various phases of the holiday will be discussed. Rabbi Noveck will explain the historical background of *Hanukkah*, "The Feast of Lights." Cantor Putterman will interpret some of the special practices which best kindle the spirit of this festival.

The discussion will include the ceremony of lighting the candles, home decorations, appropriate menus and recipes, *Hanukkah* music, the exchange of gifts and plans for *Hanukkah* parties.

The Parents' Association, through its president, Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer, urges everyone to take advantage of this opportunity to help you provide a more cultural and inspirational observance of this "Feast of Rededication" in your own home.

The students of the Religious School participated in the Jewish National Fund Drive for development of land for settlement in the State of Israel. They approached their friends and neighbors for contributions to J.N.F. and presented them with the familiar blue tag, which this year bears the inscription "Israel's Land Provider".

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Hanukkah Celebrations Mark Week's Activities

Sisterhood Host to Members at Annual *Hanukkah* Fete

The annual Park Avenue Synagogue *Hanukkah* Party will take place on Sunday, December 18th at 8 P.M. All synagogue members and their families are invited to attend.

Mrs. Saul Granetts, Chairman, announces that plans for a gala evening are complete and a memorable program will be presented.

The traditional *Hanukkah* Candle Lighting Ceremony and Hymn by Cantor David Putterman will start the festivities. Community singing will follow.

Blix Ruskay, a monologist and impressionist will present a program appropriate for *Hanukkah*. Miss Ruskay has performed at Carnegie Hall, the Brooklyn Academy of Music, and over coast to coast National Broadcasting Company hookups, and before numerous clubs and colleges. Her varied recitals and sketches will be an amusing and interesting evening for all.

Refreshments will be served by the Sisterhood in the Vestry at the conclusion of the entertainment.

Schedule of Services

Friday Eve.....Dec. 16, 8:30 p.m.

Friday Eve.....Dec. 23, 8:30 p.m.

Rabbi Milton Steinberg will deliver a set of sermons on "The Distinctiveness of Judaism"

Sabbath morning worship 10:00 a.m.

Daily evening worship 5:45 p.m.

The celebration of *Hanukkah* commemorates the Jewish victory against the demoralizing and oppressing Syrians and ancient Greeks, who aimed to eradicate Judaism. The revolt was started by the high-priest Mattathias, the Hasmonean, and it continued under his son, the great commander Judas Maccabee. On the 25th of the month of *Kislev* (164 B.C.E.), three years after the Temple had first been defiled, the brave Jewish soldiers victoriously entered Jerusalem, cleanser, repaired, and re-dedicated the Temple.

The Miracle

They prepared to kindle the perpetual light, but discovered only a small cruse of unpolluted oil, with the seal of the High Priest unbroken as required. It was believed to be sufficient oil for only one day's service, but it miraculously lasted for eight days, until olives were obtained and fresh oil was made. For the seven-branched *Menorah*, which had been taken by the enemy, they improvised spears which they set at the entrance of the Temple. Services were joyfully resumed with song and psalms to God, and the celebration continued for eight days.

The Hanukkah Lights

The following year it was instituted that every anniversary be likewise observed by the lighting of *Hanukkah* Lights, by song and special holiday psalms (*Hallel*). The lights are, therefore, kindled eight days, the number increasing by one daily, from one to eight, in order to magnify the event. In the Synagogue an appropriate selection from the *Torah* is read each day, a part of Numbers 7. On the first night, Thursday evening, December 15th, one light at the right is kindled, and each successive night another one is added; the additional one is lit first, from left to right, until the eighth night. The candle lighting was primarily a home service but it had also become a custom of the synagogue to publicize the occasion for the benefit of wayfarers.

Rabbi Steinberg Points Out Uniqueness of Judaism

The distinctiveness of Judaism, first as against classical paganism and then as against Christianity, will be the theme of a series of two sermons by Rabbi Steinberg on the Friday evenings of December 16th and 23rd.

The first of these, concerning itself with the contrast between the Greek-Roman and Jewish outlooks, will be appropriate to the Sabbath of *Hanukkah* when it will be preached. The second, on the contrast between Judaism and Christianity, will be equally timely, in that it will be delivered on the Sabbath before the Christmas festival.

In both sermons Rabbi Steinberg will concern himself not with superficial differences between Judaism and the contrasting ways of life but rather with their essential and deep incompatabilities on such issues as the conception of Deity, of Nature, man, goodness, and salvation.

Parents' Association Aids School Parties

On Saturday evening, December 17 from 5:30 to 8:30 P.M., the Parents' Association will sponsor a *Hanukkah* Party for those 10 to 13 who attend the Religious School. There will be square dancing and games, with frankfurters and other refreshments served.

Candy, Dredles, and Menorahs

The following morning, a *Hanukkah* party will be held for each class of the Primary Department of the Religious School. The children will receive candy, candles, and *dredles*, and each youngster in the first grade will be presented with a miniature *menorah*. Class mothers will assist the teachers in arranging the parties.

Every effort will be made to create the true spirit of the *Hanukkah* holiday.

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From The Desk of Rabbi Noveck

LAST week at the Jewish Theological Seminary the Committee on Jewish Law of the Rabbinical Assembly met in a two day session to formulate recommendations for changes in Jewish law. These recommendations are to be presented to the next annual convention of Conservative Rabbis and if passed will become part of the official program of the Conservative movement and undoubtedly will affect the direction of American Jewry.

Those of you who are familiar with the history of Judaism in this country will realize the significance of these sessions. At long last the Conservative movement which has never had a crystallized or clearly articulated philosophy promises to take a stand on the vital problem of Jewish law in the hope of becoming a more effective force in stemming the drift away from Jewish practices and observances.

It has been the desire of our movement since its inception to conserve and preserve the most meaningful aspects of the Jewish religious tradition. And indeed in the course of a few decades the Seminary, which is the home of Conservative Judaism, has expanded its facilities, created new institutions in this city and on the west coast, and attracted an ever growing number of Rabbis and congregations to its fold. However, during these years many changes have taken place in our environment and mode of living—many Jews have moved to the suburbs where there is no synagogue within walking ditsance; many labor-saving devices have been introduced into our homes requiring the use of electricity on the Sabbath; and in general the pattern of ritual observance has broken down. Also during this period the gap between the traditional interpretation of the law and the actual procedures of Conservative synagogues has widened. At long last it has become apparent that it is now time to tackle the basic question of a more liberal interpretation of Jewish law and a reevaluation of certain ritual practices in the light of modern conditions.

This task of reinterpreting Jewish law is essentially one for Rabbis, Jewish scholars, and the Law Committee of the Seminary. Why, then, do I write you about this problem? For the very important reason that changes or reinterpretations of Jewish law, important as we may deem them, cannot by themselves overcome the disintegration of Jewish religious life in this country. Religious laws must first be accepted by the people; otherwise, regardless of how liberal the interpretation, they will be without effect.

Take for example the Sabbath. Elimination or modification of some of the prohibitions, such as riding on the Sabbath or using electricity, will not of itself create Sabbath observance. There must be an interest and concern for the spiritual values of a day of rest. A Conservative congregation in Seattle, Washington standing before the Ark on *Yom Kippur* day took the following oath: "I solemnly vow before God and before this congregation of my people that I will observe every Sabbath from this *Yom Kippur* until next *Yom Kippur* by kindling the Sabbath candles and reciting the *Kiddush* at home and by attending the Synagogue with my family; that I will neither extend nor accept any invitation, social or otherwise which may interrupt this observance and that nothing save illness or absence from my community shall release me from this vow, so help me God." Whether taking such a vow is the correct approach may be debated; but behind this action lies an understanding that only with a sense of dedication will Sabbath observance be revived in America.

As the beginning of such a sense of dedication may I urge the parents of the children in our Religious School to come to the Synagogue Sabbath mornings. May I further suggest that the beautiful institution of the *Oneg Shabat* whereby we visit each others' homes on *Shabos* afternoon and spend the day in a spiritual sense with songs and Jewish discussions become more widespread; and that every effort be made by the women of our Congregation not to shop on the Sabbath. These things plus the *kiddush* and the candles will go far towards making the Sabbath a real part of our lives. Together with the Rabbis on the Law Committee you will be making a real contribution to the spiritual upliftment of yourselves and your family and to the advancement of Judaism in our land.

—SIMON NOVECK

Light the Sabbath Candles

Friday, Dec. 16th ..... 4:11 p.m.
Friday, Dec. 24th ..... 4:14 p.m.

Births

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. William Heller upon the birth of their grandson; and to Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Klein on the birth of a grandson. Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Herman Weiss on the birth of a granddaughter, and to the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Weiss.

Anniversaries

Best Wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Abrams on their 60th wedding anniversary, Dec. 15; to Mr. and Mrs. I. S. Amsterdam on their 35th anniversary on Dec. 1; to Mr. and Mrs. Albert Wigor on their 20th anniversary, Dec. 15; and to Mr. and Mrs. Abraham M. Weinberger on their 25th anniversary, Dec. 25.

Deaths

Our deepest sympathy to Mr. Saul Horowitz on the loss of his mother, Mrs. Minnie Horowitz; to the Fuld Family on the loss of their father, Nathan Fuld; and to George L. Armour on the loss of his brother, Bernard Armour.

"Marrieds" Reorganize

An interest has been expressed in reorganiging the "Young Marrieds C" group of last year. Will all those who were members last year, as well as any new members who would like to join this type of organization, please contact Murray Roher at 1067 Madison Avenue, New York 28, N. Y. or telephone him at Tr. 9-4348

Federation Funds Sought to Aid Hospitals

Did you know that the following Hospitals and Institutions for Medical Care are part of the Federation Chain:

Beth Israel Hospital
Hillside Hospital
Hospital for Joint Diseases
Brooklyn Jewish Hospital
Montefiore Hospital
Mt. Sinai Hospital
Lebanon and Bronx Hospitals
Beth Abraham Home for Incurables
Blythedale-Convalescent Home
Loeb Memorial Home for Convalescents

The excellent service upon which you depend can only be maintained by your continued support. The building program for these institutions can only be achieved by increased giving.

Welfare Fund Set for Synagogue

Mr. Benjamin Sack, chairman of the Board of Trustees has announced a decision of the Board to create a Welfare Fund, which will operate under a Committee of five consisting of the following; Senior Rabbi, Cantor, Chairman of the Board, Treasurer, and Joseph I. Lubin.

Funds contributed by various persons amounted to approximately $10,000 at the time of the action by the Board. For those members of the Synagogue who wish to commemorate or memorialize an event, or for any other reason wish to make a contribution to the Welfare Fund, the Committee will be pleased to accept the same. These funds do not constitute a part of the regular income of the Synagogue and are not available for any of the operating expenses which are provided for in the usual budget.

Junior League Holds Hanukkah Dance

Following an evening just of fun "for members only" which the Junior League had on December 4th under the chairmanship of Miss Estelle Cross, another fund-raising affair for charity is being planned.

The "*Hanukkah* Dance" will be in full swing between 3:30 and 6:30 p.m. on Sunday, December 18th, in the Synagogue Vestry. A donation of $1.50 will enable you to dance to the music of Jeno Bartel and his orchestra. "Come early, so you can get in!", caution Miss Harriet Norfolk and Mr. Edwin Solomon, the chairmen.

MAURICE LEVIN APPOINTED CHAIRMAN of ENDOWMENT DEVELOPMENT by SEMINARY

Mr. Maurice Levin, a prominent member of the Park Avenue Synagogue, has announced that he has resigned his position as Chairman of the Board of Directors of Hearn Department Stores, Inc., and is retiring from active business. Mr. Levin declared that his purpose is to enable him to devote "all his energies" to his new post as Chairman of the National Committee on Endowment Development of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America.

MR. MAURICE LEVIN

The Jewish Theological Seminary, located in New York City at 122nd Street and Broadway, was established in 1887 as a center of Jewish learning and culture. Today the Seminary buildings house the Rabbinical School, the Teachers Institute, and provide facilities for extensive adult educational and cultural programs. The Seminary also maintains the Jewish Museum at 92nd Street and 5th Avenue in this city in the former home of the noted philanthropist Felix M. Warburg. *The Eternal Light*, a coast-to-coast radio program is also sponsored by the Seminary. The University of Judaism in Los Angeles functions as the West Coast branch of the Seminary.

Appointment Hailed by Leaders

The endowment campaign, to be launched in December of this year, is designed to give the Seminary the economic stability necessary to allow for adequate planning of its educational future. With funds thus received the Seminary proposes to establish scholar-Seminary proposed to establish scholarships, fellowships, chairs, and other endowed aids for students and professors.

Senator Herbert H. Lehman, Chairman of the Board of Overseers of the Seminary, revealed that Mr. Levin had assumed the new chairmanship at his direct request. Mr. Lehman hailed Mr. Levin's decision and declared, "This inspiring example of enlightened social and religious responsibility is an act of selfless devotion and will prove to be of inestimable value in the effort to achieve the $15,000,000 endowment goal of the Seminary."

Dr. Louis Finkelstein, President of the Jewish Theological Seminary, welcomed Mr. Levin to his new responsibility and declared, "The Seminary is particularly fortunate to have the devotion of Mr. Levin whose communal record reveals a man who combines unique business talents with true spiritual strength. We shall mark this day as one of truly memorable events in our long history."

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Israeli Art Exhibit On View At Museum

The Jewish Theological Seminary of America announced an exhibit by Artists of Israel, at its Jewish Museum, to be presented by the American Fund For Israel Institutions beginning November 17th.

Eliahu Elath, Israeli Ambassador to the United States, opened the exhibit and addresses were delivered by Rene d'Harnoncourt, Director of the Museum of Modern Art, Andrew C. Ritchie, Director of Paintings and Sculpture of the Museum of Modern Art, Edward A. Norman, President of the American Fund, and Dr. Stephen S. Kayser, curator of the Jewish Museum. Dr. Simon Greenberg, Provost of the Jewish Theological Seminary and Director of the Jewish Museum, presided at the opening ceremonies.

The exhibit includes the work of over forty-five Israeli painters and sculptors, in the media of oil, water color, marble and wood.

JUNIOR CONGREGATION ELECTION RESULTS

On a recent Saturday morning, immediately after services, the members of the Junior Congregation met in open meeting for the purpose of electing officers for the year.

After spirited nominating speeches the candidates for the office of President were made, a vote was taken by a show of hands. When the chair announced that two votes separated the nominees, a motion was made and passed that the two, Jack Kaplan and Robert Rifkind, be elected co-Presidents of the congregation. Despite dire warnings from one of the members of the congregation that two presidents would result in a weakening of the responsibility of each, the congregation approved of the election of co-Presidents.

Synagogue Council

The newly elected Presidents decided to divide their work by having Robert Rifkind act as President of the Synagogue Council, the governing body of the organization, and Jack Kaplan to function as President of the Congregation.

At further meetings of the Synagogue Council, Arthur Jacobs was elected treasurer and David Ruttenberg, secretary of the congregation. The Council has also prepared a constitution, decided upon a membership fee, appointed a committee to study allotment of Keren Ami funds, and is planning for a number of school functions.

Parents Observe Religious School Work

The students of the Religious School played host to their parents during the month of December.

The students of the Hebrew Department invited their parents to visit on successive Saturdays so that they might enjoy both the work done in the class room and participate in the Sabbath services of the school. After services, the parents had an opportunity to partake of the *Kiddush* served by the members of the Confirmation Class and to discuss the work of the school with Rabbi Steinberg who was present during the service.

The parents who visited the Primary Department that meets on Sunday morning similarly had an opportunity to observe the work done by the younger students of our school.

Note for Desk Diaries
"Ladies Night at the Men's Club"
Tuesday, January 3, at 8:15 P.M.

Entertainment - Discussion
Refreshments
More details to follow later but mark the date now!

Successful Book Fair Held by Parent's Group

The annual Book Fair sponsored by the Parent's Association during November was unusually well attended and afforded parents a splendid opportunity to purchase books on Jewish life and thought, as well as record albums of Jewish music.

Mr. Herbert Kruckman, originator of "Little Joey", the well known cartoon appearing in "World Over" magazine, delighted his audience, especially the youngsters, with his "Chalk Talk" which he illustrated with cartoons.

Credit is due to Mrs. Bess Heyman, Chairman of the Committee, for her untiring efforts in making the annual Book Fair such a success. Mrs. Heyman was ably assisted by Mrs. Sylvia Zucker, Mrs. Ruth Helprin and Mrs. Dorothy Kaplan.

Poster Contest Winners

A central feature of the Jewish Book Fair Exhibit, was the poster contest conducted for the students of the Religious School.

The entries from the Primary Department of the school were so numerous that the Judges decided to award a prize to the best poster submitted in each class. The winning posters were submitted by: Jane L. Jacobs, Leona Giat, Joseph Weintraub, John Stangel, Susan Herbert, Robin Reisner and Cynthia Fread.

For the Hebrew Department, the poster submitted by Alice Helpern was awarded first prize.

Information Please!

It is most important that The BULLETIN fulfill its purpose as a reporter of the various activities in the personal lives of the congregants. However, this is impossible without the cooperation of every member of the Park Avenue Synagogue family.

So, please, whenever there is a *simcha* or a sorrow in your family, inform Mr. Emanuel Rosenthal in the Synagogue office.

UJA COMMITTEE REQUIRES WORKERS

The Park Avenue Synagogue has always been proud of the large contribution in both effort and money its Womens' Division makes each year towards the important work of United Jewish Appeal.

Although the solicitation for funds does not start until February, the working Committee is being formed now and any woman interested in helping this Committee is urged to contact Mrs. Arthur Morse, Chairman, at ATwater 9-1322, or Mrs. Benjamin Sack, Co-Chairman at SAcramento 2-8795.

They need and would appreciate additional workers on this Committee to raise again the largest sum of all Synagogues' Women's groups.

Levin Appointment

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In assuming the chairmanship of the National Committee on Endowment Development of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, Mr. Levin declared, "Jewish lay leadership must engage in statesmanlike planning if it is adequately to meet the challenge of the future. We must, in our generation, guarantee that the institutions which enrich and perpetuate our traditions will continue to function for the benefit of our own people, and the nation. I can think of no better way to maintain traditional Judaism and at the same time foster harmonious understanding among all the peoples in our land than by devoting the years ahead to the upbuilding of the Jewish Theological Seminary."

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Men's Club Host At 'Ladies' Nite', Jan 3

Narrative Theater Feature of Evening

The next meeting of the Men's Club will be held on Tuesday evening, January 3, at 8:15 P.M. and will be "Ladies' Night at the Men's Club".

A program of unusual entertainment has been planned for the occasion. Following the regular short meeting, they will present the Narrative Theater. This act is a program of characterizations and story telling from the best of Anglo-Yiddish literature, presented by Selma Burnett Snyder and Israel Welichansky, gifted actors of the American and Jewish stage, formerly of the renowned Artef Players. These artists will present some comedy, satire and folk songs in costume and makeup.

The Men's Club will then present Miss Helen Lightner, leading star of the Lemonade Opera Company, who will present a cycle of songs from the operettas.

The evening will be highlighted by a review of current Jewish events to be delivered by Rabbi Milton Steinberg.

Refreshments will be served and all members of the congregation are invited to attend.

Schedule of Services

Friday Eve.....Dec. 30, 8:30 p.m.

College Night

"What Kind of a Jew Am I"

Friday Eve..... Jan. 6, 8:30 p.m.

Dr. S. Brodetsky, President of the Hebrew University

Sabbath morning worship 10:00 a.m.

Daily evening worship 5:45 p.m.

Hebrew University President To Be Guest Speaker, Jan. 6th

On Friday evening January 6th, Dr. Selig Brodetsky will speak at the Park Avenue Synagogue under the auspices of the New York Division, The American Friends of the Hebrew University, 9 East 89th St.

Professor Selig Brodetsky, who has been President and Chairman of the Executive Council of the Hebrew University in Jerusalem since October 1, 1949, is one of the best-known figures in Jewish life today.

PROFESSOR SELIG BRODETSKY

Born in Russia in 1888, he came to England with his parents at the age of five. He had a distinguished academic career, becoming a Senior Wrangler (top honors in mathematics) at Cambridge in 1908. After serving for a time as Lecturer at the University of Bristol, he was appointed Professor of Applied Mathematics at the University of Leeds —a position which he held until his retirement last year.

Active in Zionist Affairs

A sound Jewish education combined with a study of Hebrew were features of Professor Brodetsky's youth, and he early took an active part in Jewish affairs and, in particular, in the Zionist movement. He played a leading role in the English Zionist Federation, was elected a member of the Greater Zionist Actions Committee in 1927, and in 1929 was elected to the Jewish Agency Executive in which he has held office ever since. He has also served for a number of years as President of the Maccabi World Organization. In 1939 he was elected Chairman of the influential Board of Deputies of British Jews, the organization which has dealt with Anglo-Jewish relations since the days of King George III.

In 1945, Professor Brodetsky was elected Deputy Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Hebrew University. In the unavoidable absence of Dr. Chaim Weizmann he presided at meetings of the Board held in New York in 1947 and in Jerusalem in 1949. His new appointment will now afford him the opportunity of rendering the greatest possible service to the Hebrew University, in the guidance of which his practical qualities

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Collegians Honored At Service, Dec. 30th

On Friday evening December 30th the annual College Night will take place in conjunction with the regular Friday Evening Services. After a brief sermonette by Rabbi Noveck from the pulpit, the congregation will adjourn to the vestry to hear a symposium discussion on the theme "What Kind of a Jew Am I?"

Participants in the symposium will be Eleanor Loscher of Columbia University, Martin Bressler of City College, and Zelda Gale of New York University. The many problems confronting American Jewish youth will be discussed and the entire congregation will be given an opportunity to participate. All out of town college students on vacation from school

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From The Desk of Rabbi Steinberg

THESE, over and above the basic and continuing satisfactions of the ministry, have especially gratified me of late:

The success of this season's program in Adult Education, most particularly of the classes in Hebrew and Rabbi Noveck's course on the Prophets.

The ease with which Saturday morning sessions were instituted for the upper classes of our Religious School, and the exciting new and enlarged Junior Congregation which has so been made possible.

The distinction lent our congregation by the regular attendance at its Sabbath morning services of a sizable group of rabbis, scholars and Seminary students.

The reborn hope of achieving, "soon, speedily and in our days" a Community and School House—of which more anon —and the fact that the person who kindled it was one of our own, the young architect Robert Greenstein, bred in our congregation.

The recruitment on Sisterhood's part of a corps of new workers, many of them the daughters and granddaughters of senior members.

The progress of our Men's Club, and the diverse contributions it is making to all phases of Synagogue life, by no means least among them, to our ushering.

The beauty of the *Torah* mantles and curtains for the Ark, embroidered by Anna Edelman, and the fact that a request has been received from a congregation as far away as California for her handiwork—the proceeds to go, as heretofore, to Youth *Aliyah*.

The sketch of the World War II Memorial which has been submitted to our congregational Committee on Art Objects and which, if approved, is to be set up in our Synagogue auditorium as a gift of the Men's Club.

The establishment of our Board of Trustees of a General Welfare Fund from which monies may be disbursed for significant charitable and cultural purposes not covered by the established agencies, and the sizable gifts already contributed to it, though its very existence has just become public knowledge.

The generosity of the response to my U.J.A. appeal on *Kol Nidre* night, to my mail solicitation on behalf of the Reconstructionist Foundation.

Sisterhood's leading all other women's organizations of Greater New York in monies raised for U.J.A. and Federation, and the personnel it has been supplying from its ranks to city-wide philanthropy.

The stimulation of the Youth Seminar meeting at my home to discuss the great texts and problems of the religious life.

The interest displayed in the admittedly difficult course to be given during January on "New Currents in Religious Thought", proving that faith and the issues that touch it are not alien to our people.

The constant, yet ever impressive, exhibition of fidelity and devotion afforded by all the officers and so much of the membership of our Synagogue.

All this and much more over and beyond the normal rewards of the rabbinate, the friendships, the opportunities to share joys, alleviate sorrows, bolster hopes, inculcate faith, the preaching and reading and thinking and struggling with the ultimate determination of the human spirit.

Scripture has harsh words to say about the *loeg larash*, the man who makes a display of his riches in the presence of those less fortunate than he. At the risk of being considered such a one, I cannot refrain from saying aloud that no career can possibly offer as many satisfactions as the ministry, and especially in a congregation like our own.

—MILTON STEINBERG

Light the Sabbath Candles

Friday, Dec. 30th ..... 4:19 p.m.
Friday, Jan. 6th ..... 4.25 p.m.

Federation Services Cover Many Fields

Did you know that the following Child Care and Guidance Units are links in the Federation chain?

Brooklyn Hebrew Orphan Asylum
Children's Service Bureau
Girls Club Association of Brooklyn
First Hebrew Day Nursey and Neighborhood House
Free Synagogue Child Adoption Committee
Jewish Board of Guardians
Child Guidance Institute
Hawthorne-Cedar Knolls School
Lakeview Home
Jewish Child Care Association
Edenwald School for Boys
Fellowship House for Boys
Foster Home Department
Friendly Home for Girls
Pleasantville Cottage School
Youth Service Department
Lexington School for the Deaf

Family Welfare Services

And did you know that through the following institutions and organizations Federation takes care of Family Welfare, provides for the Aged and also offers Vocational Services?

Brooklyn Hebrew Free Loan Association
Committe for the Care of Jewish Tuberculous
Federation Employment Service
Hebrew Free Loan Society
Home for Aged and Infirm Hebrews
Jewish Community Service of Queens
Jewish Community Center of the Rockaways
Jewish Family Service
Jewish Sabbath Alliance
National Desertion Bureau
Society for the Welfare of the Jewish Deaf
Westchester Jewish Community Services.

Give generously so that these services may be maintained. And then give some more so that extra services may be added.

"Ask The Rabbi" At Parents Meeting, Jan. 4th

The Parents' Association will hold its second open meeting on January 4th, 1950 at 8:30 P.M. in the Vestry of the Synagogue.

It is with great pleasure and pride that they announce the speaker of the evening, Rabbi Milton Steinberg. His topic, "Ask the Rabbi!" will embody a survey of typical questions which a Rabbi is constantly expected to solve. These every day problems, which confront parents in their contact with children, will be discussed and answered, and once again, Rabbi Steinberg will prove his keen ability and sympathetic understanding in the role not only of a religious advisor, but also of a social worker, teacher and leader.

We know you will be eager to join in on January 4th, and to participate in the forum discussion which will follow Rabbi Steinberg's talk. Of course, refreshments will be served and an outstanding social evening is assured for all.

A Message From The Treasurer

Mr. George L. Armour, Treasurer of the Congregation, calls to the attention of members of the Park Avenue Synagogue the following circumstances:

That although our congregation operates on a balanced budget the excess of income over expenditures is relatively a slender one;

That should an emergency expenditure of any sort become necessary, or should any unexpected drop in receipts occur, the Synagogue would be financed at a deficit;

That it would therefore be most helpful were every member to pay his dues promptly, as most members are already doing.

Mr. Armour recommends further that members of the congregation, in drawing up their wills, be mindful of the Park Avenue Synagogue as a possible beneficiary. He makes the suggestion with the greater confidence because the awe and fear which once invested matters of this sort has been so generally dissipated, and because, further, no memorial which a person could leave behind could be more vital than a living, creative religious fellowship like our own.

Reserve January 22nd; Annual Meeting

The annual congregational meeting will be held on Sunday evening, January 22nd, in the Vestry. At present the Committee is busy, working on the details. Full plans will be disclosed in the next issue of the BULLETIN. All members of the Congregation are urged to set aside this date to attend what promises to be a very eventful evening.

Junior League Offers Program

During January the calendar of the Junior League is quite full. On Sunday evening, January 8th, another "Informal Evening" of dancing, entertainment and refreshments will take place. Miss Anne Stern and Mr. Robert Greenstein are co-chairmen and announce that a donation of $1.25 will admit one.

A treat is in store for the members of the League on Thursday, the 12th, when Cantor Putterman will lead a discussion on Jewish music. Included will be examples of various types of Jewish music, so the evening promises to be enjoyable as well as interesting.

The Junior League will act as host to all the groups and members of the New York Council of the Young Peoples League of the United Synagogue at an open meeting on Sunday evening, January 15th.

Rabbi Noveck to Speak At Sisterhood Meeting

The Sisterhood would like to thank every member as well as all their friends for helping to make this years Annual Donor Luncheon an outstanding success.

On Tuesday, January 17th, Rabbi Simon Noveck will speak at the monthly Sisterhood Meeting. Rabbi Noveck's topic for discussion will be entitled "The Jewish View of Mary" and it will be a critical analysis of Sholem Asch's book "Mary". Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer, chairman of the afternoon, urges all Sisterhood members and their friends to be present, and partake in the discussion period that will follow Rabbi Noveck's talk. At 1:30 cake and coffee will be served. The meeting will start promptly.

Adult Education Courses Resume, Jan. 9

Rabbi Steinberg Begins Series on Current Religious Philosophy

On Monday evening, January 9th, Rabbi Steinberg will begin a series of four lectures on "New Currents in Religious Thought" under the auspices of The Committee on Adult Education.

Mrs. Arthur Morse, chairman of the subcommittee on Courses, announced that this series is to be a presentation to the philosophically minded (though not necessarily philosophically schooled) of the problems which exercise contemporary theology and the solutions which are being advanced.

The Hebrew courses which were carried on so successfuly during the beginning of the season, will be continued. In addition, a new Hebrew course will be started for those who wish to learn to read Hebrew, and were unable to take advantage of the opportunity in November.

Another brochure, explaining these courses in more detail, will appear shortly. Mr. Sandor Mark is in charge of publicity for the group, and Mr. Harold Starkman is chairman of the committee.

Confirmation Class Visits Seminary

On Sunday morning, December 4th, members of the Confirmation Class embarked upon their first trip as part of their program to study and visit outstanding Jewish institutions in our city.

The Jewish Theological Seminary was the subject of the first trip and the students visited class rooms, dormitories, the synagogue and the library. The students, also, had an opportunity to compare observations around the lunch table in the Seminary cafeteria.

Mr. Schoffman, the class instructor and guide on the tour, made a movie of the trip and will continue to film all future trips of the class.

Collegiate Nite

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as well as local college students are urged to attend this special service in their honor.

A special collation will be served in the vestry before the symposium.

Hebrew School Honor Roll Announced

At the completion of the first third of the school year, the faculty of the Religious School announced that the following students of Hebrew were placed on the Honor Roll for Attitude, Effort, Attendance and Studies:

Hebrew 1A — John Kogan, Hugh Strauss III.

Hebrew IB—Meryl Blau, Cecile Falkenstein, Marilyn Schneider.

Hebrew IIA—Nan Krulewitch.

Hebrew IIB—Paul Bienstock, Roger Waldman, Anthony Greenwald, Peter Eliel, Stanley Nemeroff, Alice Helpern, Eleanor Foa.

Hebrew IV—Roy Gittleman, Reginald Lorant.

High School—Sylvia Schneider.

Students Win Theatre Tickets

At the beginning of the school year, Rabbi Noveck offered prizes of theatre tickets to the students of the Religious School who would achieve by *Hanukkah* a satisfactory fluency in the reading of Hebrew.

Eleanor Foa, Alice Helpern and Paul Bienstock of Hebrew Class II met the requirements and will be taken to the theatre during the winter vacation of the school.

Rabbi Noveck has renewed his offer to the students who have until *Purim* to develop their reading skill.

Usher's Committee Seeks Volunteers

The Ushering Committee, reorganized as a function of he Men's Club, wishes to announce that there is still need for a few more volunteers. Anyone who feels able to devote even an occasional Friday evening or Saturday morning would be welcome.

The rendering of this small service offers, in addition to the *Mitzvah* performed, an excellent opportunity to know the official family of the Synagogue and the Synagogue itself on a more personally gratifying basis.

Those interested are urged to contact Mr. Jacob W. Boorstein, Chairman of the Committee, or one of the co-chairmen, Mr. Bernard Prensky and Mr. Louis I. Heller.

Religious School Re-Opens

Religious School, Tuesday, Jan. 3
Junior Congregation, Sat., Jan. 7
Primary Department, Sun., Jan. 8

Hanukkah Celebrated By Religious School

This *Hanukkah*, the boys of Classes 2A and 2B prepared a *Hanukkah* newspaper, called "Judah's Journal", for distribution to the students of the Religious School.

The publication was under the co-editorship of Suzanne Radin and Martin Gold. The typists were David Penner and Anthony Greenwald. Contributors included Stanley Nemeroff, Theodore Zucker, Roger Waldman, Eleanor Foa, Michael Rosen, Alice Helpern, Paul Bienstock, Doris Wimpfheimer, Sandra Cohen, Alan Aaron, and Peter Eliel. Mr. Sanford H. Hahn was faculty advisor for the publication.

School Hanukkah Party

On Saturday evening, December 17, 1949 at 5:30 P.M. the students of the Religious School had a most unusual and successful *Hanukkah* party.

The Vestry was set up as a banquet hall with a tremendous horseshoe table. Students sat in the darkened hall, while Rabbi Noveck performed the *Havdalah* and the school choir lit the *Hanukkah* candles. At the conclusion of these ceremonies dinner was served by a group of class mothers, headed by Mrs. Lillian Helpern.

After the entertainment for the evening, which was provided by students of the School, the remainder of the evening was devoted to square dancing lead by Dick Krause, a professional caller.

Post-College Seminar Group to be Formed

The first meeting of the college and post-college Seminar group will be held on Sunday morning, January 8th in the Board of Trustees room of the Synagogue. All members of the Congregation whose sons and daughters are attending college or are graduates of the past three years are invited to attend this initial meeting, which will be conducted by Rabbi Noveck.

Births

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hoffman on the birth of their son Jeffrey Sol; best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Abrams on the birth of their grandson and also to Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Hyman on the birth of a grandson.

Engagements

Congratulations to Mr. Allen Finn on his engagement to Miss Charlotte Kaye and best wishes to their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Kaye, and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Finn.

Congratulations to Dr. and Mrs. Harold Osserman on the engagement of their son, George to Miss Nancy Moscs.

Anniversary

Best wishes to Dr. and Mrs. Abraham Kornzweig on their 23rd wedding anniversary.

Condolences

Our deepest sympathy to Mrs. David Furchheimer on the loss of her husband, also the father of Mrs. Bea Klenert.

Condolences to Mr. Montague Herbert on the loss of his wife Tillie Herbert, and Mrs. Samuel Null on the loss of her husband Judge Samuel Null.

Dr. S. Brodetsky

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and his vast experience in academic Jewish communal work over a long period of years will undoubtedly be of the greatest value.

Everyone in the Congregation is urged to take advantage of this opportunity to hear Dr. Brodetsky speak and to meet him at the reception which will follow in the vestry.

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"JEWS FROM MANY LANDS" SPEAK

Indian and Yemenite To Lead Discussion

On Friday evening, January 20, the Adult Education Committee is sponsoring a symposium on the subject, "Jews From Many Lands." The speakers will include Miss Esther Gershoni of Pakistan and Mr. Aaron Giat of Yemen.

In addition, a number of students of Columbia University from such diverse lands as Guatemala, Mexico, Bagdad, Italy, and Canada have been invited to attend and to participate in the discussion which will follow the formal presentations in the vestry.

Educators Participate

Miss Gershoni, a member of the Bani Israel Jews of India, is a graduate of the University of Bombay and was for a time a principal of a school for Jewish children in Karachi. During the war, she became acquainted with an American chaplain stationed in her home town and with his encouragement she came to America in 1947 to study at the Teachers Institute of the Jewish Theological Seminary.

Mr. Giat is a native of Yemen which land he revisited last year. He is a linguist of note and has had a real influence on the spread of Hebrew in recent years in America. He is an instructor at the Seminary School of Jewish Studies and at a number of other institutions in New York.

The Adult Education Committee, under the chairmanship of Mr. Harold Starkman, is planning to sponsor a number of symposia which will be of interest to the entire Congregation. This is in addition to the regular Monday evening courses which the committee conducts.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday Eve....Jan. 13th, 8:30 p.m.
Rabbi Simon Noveck will preach on
"Shall Reform Judaism and the Conservative Movement Unite?"
Friday Eve....Jan. 20th, 8:30 p.m.
Symposium - Discussion
"Jews From Many Lands"
Sabbath Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.
Daily Evening Worship..5:45 p.m.

Rabbi Noveck To Talk On Great Jewish Books

Inauguration of a series of sermons on the greatest Jewish books since the Bible to be delivered at the regular Sabbath morning services, has been announced by Rabbi Noveck.

Folowing the pattern started at the University of Chicago whereby western civilization is studied through the great books of science and literature, Rabbi Noveck will devote each of his sermons on Saturday mornings to a discussion of one of the great Jewish classics in the history of Jewish literature.

Parents Invited While Children Children Attend School

Among the literary monuments with which he hopes to deal during the coming month are: "The Ethics of the Fathers," The *Talmud*, The *Midrash*, The *Siddur*, "The Guide to the Perplexed" by Moses Maimonides and "Judaism as a Civilization" by Mordecai Kaplan.

The membership is urged to attend these sermons and wherever possible to read a part of the classic before the sermon. Parents of the children attending our Sabbath services are urged to come with their children and to attend the service in the main Synagogue while their children are worshipping in the Vestry.

Junior League Skit Evening's Feature

The Fourth Annual Congregational Dinner in conjunction with the Annual Business Meeting of the Park Avenue Synagogue wil take place on Sunday evening, January 22nd, at 6:30 p.m. in the Vestry of the Synagogue.

The dinner which will open the evening's festivities will be limited to the first 300 who send in reservations. This is due to the limited capacity of the Vestry. The price for the Kosher dinner will be $3.75 per person. Mrs. Harold Levin and Mrs. Samuel Wimpfheimer are jointly in charge of the dinner, and request that those who have not already made reservations and wish to attend should immediately contact the office of the Synagogue.

Brief Business Meeting

It is planned to dispose, with utmost dispatch, of the actual business meeting, which will begin after dinner, at about 8:45 p.m. All members who cannot attend the dinner are privileged and cordially invited to be present.

The Junior League will present the entertainment for the evening, in the form of a comedy skit written and performed entirely by themselves.

The skit concerning Synagogue activities in 1975 was written by a committee under the chairmanship of Anne Stern with the able assistance of Horty Levy and Judith Klenert, Louis Heller, and Robert Barzilay.

Judy Strasburger, Edith Jerskey, Dudley Greenstein, and other Junior League members. The business of the evening

Also participating in the skit, in addition to the above mentioned, will be

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From The Desk of Rabbi Noveck

WHAT progress, if any, is being made in solving the youth problem in our Congregation? Admittedly, one of the most difficult of the areas of our Synagogue life, especially with our lack of facilities, the youth problem has been the subject of discussion by the Board of Trustees, the School Board, the Parents' Association and by Rabbi Steinberg, Cantor Putterman, Mr. Leichtling, and myself.

At the present time the outline of a structure is beginning to emerge. While it will undoubtedly take the rest of this year and a good part of next year to complete and solidify this structure, Rabbi Steinberg and I are agreed that we are on the way. The program is still fluid and much remains to be done. However, I want to share with you, in this column, our efforts thus far:

First, formation of a Synagogue Youth Council among the members of our Religious School under the direct supervision of Mr. Leichtling. This group not only gives the children a chance to practice democracy at an early age, but it is planning a number of social affairs and activities for the Religious School that will make the school not only culturally beneficial. but pleasurable as well.

Secondly, a series of monthly trips for our Confirmation class to points of Jewish interest in the New York Community under the direction of Mr. Ed Schoffman, senior student at the Seminary. The first of these trips was the Jewish Theological Seminary and points in that area. Boys and girls who have already celebrated *Bar Mitzvah* or Confirmation have been invited to these trips.

Thirdly, a most successful Seminar group of between forty and fifty teenagers who meet twice monthly in Rabbi Steinberg's home for a course on the Hebrew prophets and once a month at the Synagogue for the celebration of Jewish holidays in a festive and joyous spirit. Temporary officers of the group were recently appointed, and under the direction of these officers a series of affairs have been planned for the rest of the season which include a Jewish Arbor Day Dance, a *Purim Ball*, a third *Seder* and a closing banquet.

Fourthly, a Seminar for local college students which will meet at regular intervals to study either the great Jewish classics or some other phase of Basic Judaism. As I write this article neither the permanent meeting time nor the specific subject has been decided but the preliminary meeting revealed a real interest on the part of a number of college students in a serious discussion group. It is our hope that this college seminar will result not only in bringing the young people closer to the Synagogue and to Jewish life but in the formation of a younger social group to fill the gap between the teen-agers and the Junior League.

Fifthly, our Junior League has been continuing regularly its varied program of cultural and social activities with Louis Heller as its president and a devoted executive committee.

Sixthly, continuation of the Young Marrieds B group which has chosen as its theme for its monthly meeting this year "Rearing the Jewish Child." This group boasts of a number of very alert and stimulating couples.

Seventhly, formation of a new Young Marrieds group to be known as Young Marrieds A with an interesting and varied series of programs.

Groups that are formed do not always take root and become permanent parts of a congregation. However, the Teenage Seminar and the Junior League already have a long tradition back of them. There is good reason to believe that the new group added to our Synagogue family will in time become an integral part of our institution. At any rate, this is what is happening on the youth front at this time. We hope, before the end of this year, to have more to report.

— SIMON NOVECK

Light the Sabbath Candles

Friday, Jan. 13th.....4:30 p.m.
Friday, Jan. 20th.....4:40 p.m.

Credo of An American Zionist

These are excerpts from an address before the Bronx Zionist Region on Oct. 27. Judge Rifkind was chairman of the ZOA's Commission on Constitution and Structure of the World Zionist Organization, popularly known as the Rifkind Commission. He is a member of the Park Avenue Synagogue and of its Board of Trustees.

For the sake of the truth, which sooner or later prevails, let us state a few facts on the record.

1. American Zionists are now and always have been and ever will be loyal Americans, first, last and all the time.
2. American Zionists owe no allegiance to the State of Israel in any shape, manner or form.
3. American Zionists are not Israeli expatriates or Israeli colonials.
4. In Israel, American Jews are aliens —friendly aliens but aliens nevertheless.
5. We American Jews share with the Jews of Israel and Jews everywhere a common heritage of history, religion and culture, together known as Judaism which commands our love and devotion, and which constitutes the bond of our unity and kinship. We have therefore a special concern for the unimpeded flowering of Jewish civilization in Israel and for the tranquility and happiness of the Jews in their ancient home; and we anticipate that our own lives will be spiritually enriched by the release of creative energies in Israel. Because we love America and cherish it as *our* home we believe it is our duty to secure the blessings of a home for our fellow Jews who are homeless.
6. We Zionists believe that the security and success of a strong democratic commonwealth in the Middle East serves the interests of the United States; promotes world democracy; we know that it is in accord with well established American policy.

On these principles we stand as patriotic Americans and good Zionists.

— JUDGE SIMON J. RIFKIND

Adult Education Plans for Season Announced

The winter-spring series of the courses sponsored by the Adult Education Committee were begun on Monday evening, January 9, 1949. Following Rabbi Noveck's successful course on the "Age of the Prophets," Rabbi Milton Steinberg has begun a series of four lectures on "New Currents in Religious Thought."

The first of the series dealing with "The Revolt Against Reason" discussed Existentialism and the new Revelationalism. Rabbi Steinberg expounded the ideas of such men as Kierkegaard, Jaspers, Marcel, Barth, Brunner, Rosenzweig, and Buber. During the second lecture, Religious Pragmatism will be discussed.

New Hebrew Course

A new Hebrew course was instituted for those who wish to learn to read Hebrew, and the Hebrew courses which were begun during the first half of the season have been continued. Cantor Putterman's course in Jewish Music was also resumed.

Mr. Harold Starkman, Chairman of the Committee on Adult Education, has announced that plans for the balance of the season have been formulated. They include a lecture course by Professor Salomon on "Sociology and Religion," and a course by Rabbi Noveck on "The Rabbinic Age."

Engagements

Best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. George Lyttle on the engagement of their daughter Joan to Mr. Joseph Birnbaum.

Best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Weissbart on the engagement of their daughter Ruth to Mr. Jerry Kaminer.

Best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Haft on the engagement of their son Norman Alan to Miss Deborah Miller.

Marriage

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. George Ringler on the marriage of their son Warren to Miss Dorothy Naomi Cohen.

Condolences

Condolences to Miss Mildred Saperstein on the death of her father.

Did You Know That

All voluntary child guidance work for our city's Jewish youngsters is done by Federation agencies. Help more of our children to healthy maturity by giving to the Federation Building Fund.

Federation agencies are in full charge of *all* foster home placements and supervision for New York's Jewish children. Help provide these homes through your support of the Federation campaign.

All family guidance counselling for Jewish families in our city is given by Federation agencies. Your gift to the current Federation Campaign provides this security.

Your single contribution to Federation serves 116 institutions in maintaining complete medical and welfare services for our entire community. Give enough for all to share.

Federation-supported community centers and Y's have an average attendance of 349,000 visits each month. Help these centers to live and grow by giving to the Federation Building Fund and maintenance Campaign.

230,000 persons are served each year in the medical care institutions of Federation . . . another 695,000 out-patient visits are made each year. Give to the Federation campaign . . . so that they may live!!

83,000 persons are aided each year by Federation's family welfare, vocational guidance and aged services. Your gift makes this possible. Give from your heart.

7,600 summer vacations are provided in Federation camps—most of them, for youngsters who otherwise would have no relief from the city's heat. Help them to happiness. Give to the current Federation Campaign.

Half a million people rely on Federation to see them through when they are in trouble. Give to the Federation campaign . . . so that they may live.

Congregational Meeting

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will include the election of new members of the Board of Trustees and Advisory Council. Mr. Benjamin Sack, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, will render his report to the Congregation. He will include reports of the Presidents of the various Synagogue organizations.

Men's Club Marks Brotherhood Week

The meeting of the Men's Club on Tuesday evening, February 7, at 8:15 P.M. promises to be one of the most interesting and provocative of the entire year. The Men's Club has invited the Men's Club of Temple Emanu-El and the Men's Club of Kehilath Jeshurun to join with them in celebration of Brotherhood Week.

The highlight of the evening will be a panel discussion, the participants to be Dr. Julius Mark of Temple *Emanu-El*, Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein of *Kehilath Jeshurun* and Rabbi Milton Steinberg, representing the reform, orthodox and conservative branches of Judaism. The subject will be "Unity in the American Synagogue. Is it possible? Is it desirable? And on what terms?"

Preceding the meeting there will be a short review of current Jewish events given by Rabbi Simon Noveck.

All gentlemen are invited to attend and urged to bring with them a prospective member. Refreshments will follow.

Sisterhood Meets

The next Sisterhood meeting will be held on January 17th, when Rabbi Simon Noveck will be their guest speaker.

Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer, chairman of the afternoon, has announced that the topic chosen for discussion is "The Jewish View of Mary." Rabbi Noveck will present a critical analysis of Sholem Asch's book "Mary".

All Sisterhood members and their friends are invited to be present at 1:30 p.m. when the serving of coffee and cake will begin the afternoon.

Camp Information

We call your attention to Camp *Ramah*, a non-profit camp sponsored by the United Synagogue of America in cooperation with the Teachers Institute of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America. *Ramah* has met with distinguished success in the field of Jewish education and has given the whole concept of summer camps a new meaning. If you are interested in discussing this type of vacation for your children, please contact Rabbi Noveck. He will be happy to give you further details.

Teen-Age Seminar Students Plan Socials

On Saturday evening, January 12, the Teen-Age Seminar Groups will hold the second of their monthly social affairs in the Vestry of the Synagogue. Chairman of the committee arranging for the affair is Francine Kornzweig with Burt Targove and Hugh Levy as co-chairmen. The price of admission will be 75 cents per couple. The plans include informal dancing, entertainment, and refreshments. The members of the Seminar groups are urged to come and to bring their friends.

Officers Appointed

At the last meeting of the Planning Committee held Tuesday, December 20, the following were appointed as officers *pro tem*: President — Francine Kornzweig, Vice-President — Martin Bresler, Secretary — Hugh Levy.

It was decided at that time to hold four more monthly affairs for the season. On Saturday night, February 4, there will be a Jewish Arbor Day affair with Norman Fedder as chairman and Jonathan Steinberg, Richard Druss and Eva Konig as co-chairmen. Plans for this evening include inviting Rabbi Erwin Zimt, formerly Associate Rabbi of the Congregation, as the guest of the young people.

Purim Masquerade

On Saturday evening, March 4, a *Purim* Ball with a masquerade is being planned. Chairman for this evening will be Evan Janovic, with Steve Howe and Janet Cohen as co-chairmen. In April the group hopes to hold a third *Seder* with Hugh Levy as chairman and Francine Kornzweig and Nina Solomo nas co-chairmen. The date has not yet been set. The final affair of the season will be in the form of a closing banquet with Martin Bresler as chairman of arrangements and Margo Oppenheim, Sue Starkman and Jane Schwartz as co-chairmen.

The Seminar Groups meet twice monthly at Rabbi Steinberg's home for a course in the Hebrew Prophets. The Planning Committee of the group meets periodically with Rabbi Noveck and Mr. Leichtling, to arrange for the celebration of holidays and for the monthly social affairs.

Honor Roll students of Hebrew III were inadvertently omitted in our last issue. They are Sandra Gevirtz, Alice Helpern, and Jack May.

ZOA Sponsors Drive For Materials For Israel

A transmission belt of machinery and equipment for artisans in Israel was put into motion recently by the Zionist Organization of America when its president Daniel Frisch, named Daniel Trotzky, of New York, prominent Jewish community leader, to head the organization's "Machines and Equipment for Israel" committee.

Trotzky, who is president of the Roosevelt School at Hyde Park and former chairman of the ZOA Friendship Food Train, will launch a nation-wide effort to get the sorely-needed tools and industrial equipment into the hands of Israeli workers.

No Appeal for Funds

The drive will be unique in that there will be no appeal for funds. The sole endeavor of the committee will be the procurement of industrial, agricultural and building equipment, medicine and medical supplies, food and clothing.

"The wheels of commerce and industry in Israel cannot be expected to turn at high gear simply because there aren't enough wheels to go around," Trotzky declared, in accepting the national chairmanship of the committee.

"Israel's economy has been severly effected by the constant stream of eager, energetic newcomers. These immigrants are not idlers. They number some of the finest craftsmen in Europe today. Yet their full potential cannot be utilized—their skill go untapped—because of the lack of tools of their respective trades."

All Types of Equipment Needed

The materials and supplies being sought by the commitee follow:

General industry: sewing, knitting, weaving, overlock and electric cloth cutting machines; looms and tumble dryers.

Agricultural equipment: all types of equipment necessary for modern-day farming and poultry raising, including trucks and road repairing tractors.

Electrical equipment: motors, refrigerators, insulated cable, generators, etc.

Medical equipment: shortwave and diathermy machines, ultra violet lamps, microscopes, auto clave, electrocardiograph, infant and adult scales, rythmic constrictor (Burdick), oscillometer, portable GE x-ray unit and films, sterilizers, ambulances, surgical tables and dental chairs.

Medicine: bandages of various sizes, didoquine tablets, procaine penicillin Winthrop vials, penicillin beffered tablets, auromycin and pyribenzamin tablets, vitamin B1 vials, vitamin C—amps, chiniofon Winthrop pills, calcium cluconate amps., viocolil amps., Winthradine (sulfadiazine) tablets, sufaguandine tablets, gastridine and vitamin C amps., diodrst amps., etc.

Building Machinery Asked

Building tools: saws, tin melting machines, drilling and milling machines, band saws, combined shaper and milling machines, portable electric quick saw, parallel vice, hammers, chisels, planes, diamond cutting machines, screw cutters, hammer mills, drills, pipe-cutting scissors, welding tools, etc.

Printing: presses, linotype machines, lithograph machines and equipment, electric Kudor Machines with electric press and automatic Intertype printing equipment.

Food: canned milk, meat, cheese, baby foods, etc.

Clothing: children's, ladies and mens suits, shoes, coats, new or in good condition.

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MEN'S CLUB HOST AT UNITY DISCUSSION

At the next meeting on Tuesday evening, February 7, the Men's Club will act as host to the Men's Club of Temple *Emanu-El* and the Men's Club of *Kehilath Jeshurun*. The highlight of the evening will be a panel discussion on "Unity in the American Synagogue. Is it possible? Is it desirable? And on what terms?" The participants will be Dr. Julius Mark, Rabbi of Temple *Emanu-El*, Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein of *Kehilath Jeshurun*, and Rabbi Milton Steinberg.

Preceding the panel discussion, Rabbi Simon Noveck will deliver a review of current Jewish events.

Refreshments and social hour will follow. All men are invited and urged to attend.

Milton Weill Honored At Federation Dinner

Mr. Milton Weill, a member of the Board of Trustees of the Park Avenue Synagogue and one of the "Y" 's most active directors will be honored at a dinner on January 26th. He completed thirty years on the board of the "Y" on January 18th.

The dinner will also be the climax of the fund-raising efforts of the Community Centers and Camps for the Maintenance and Building Funds of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies.

One thousand guests have been invited to the dinner at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel. They include such well-known personalities in public life as Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, Lawrence Steinhardt, U. S. Ambassador to Canada, General Omar Bradley, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff and Eddie Cantor, John Garfield, and Billy Rose. Col. Harry D. Hensel of the Bulova Foundation will be in charge of the testimonial.

A detailed report of the business portion of the annual meeting of the Congregation of the Park Avenue Synagogue will be published in a forthcoming issue of the Bulletin.

Puppet Show Marks Tu B'Shevat Fete

On Sunday morning, Feb. 5 at 11:00 a.m. Bubatron, the Children's Hebrew Puppet Theatre, will present "The Dancing Bear", in Hebrew, to the students of the Religious School and the students of the Society for the Advancement of Judaism.

The skillful puppeteers present an artistic and delightful performance which may be enjoyed both by those with little knowledge of Hebrew as well as those whose knowledge of the language is extensive.

Parents' Association Aids

Students of both schools will, also, sing songs appropriate to the season of *Tu B'Shevat*. At the conclusion of the performance, members of the Parent's Association, headed by Mrs. Stanley Simon, will distribute bags of holiday fruits to the children.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday Eve....Jan. 27th, 8:30 p.m.
Rabbi Simon Noveck
will preach on
"The Inter-Faith Movement—Is It Effective?"

Friday Eve....Feb. 3rd, 8:30 p.m.
Rabbi Milton Steinberg
will preach on
"Communism—A God That Failed"

Sabbath Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.
Daily Evening Worship..5:45 p.m.

NEW ADULT COURSES BEGIN FEBRUARY 6th

Rabbi Steinberg Completes Current Thought Series

As the final lecture in his extremely successful series on "New Currents in Religious Thought", Rabbi Milton Steinberg will discuss "The Reevaluation of Man", on Monday evening, January 30th at 9:00 p.m.

Topics such as sin and salvation, autonomy and grace, the improvability of society, and the meaning of history will be touched upon. The writings of Barth, Brunner, Neibuhr, and Tillich will be included in the evening's lecture.

"The Rabbinic Age"

A new series on "The Rabbinic Age" will be inaugurated on the following Monday evening, February 6th by Rabbi Simon Noveck. This lecture will be devoted to an explanation of the origin and development of the *Mishna*.

On the same evening, February 6th, at 8:00 p.m., Profesor Albert Salomon will begin a seminar on "Sociology and Religion". The introductory session will deal with "Religion Under Attack". The competitive and conflicting relationships between religion, society and atheism will be discussed at this time.

Hebrew Courses Continue

The courses in Hebrew as well as the course in Jewish Music, under the supervision of Cantor David Putterman are still in session each Monday evening at 8:00 p.m.

Refreshments are served at the close of each evening, and everyone is invited to attend this vital Adult Education program.

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From The Desk of Rabbi Steinberg

CHICAGO is so far from New York, the dissemination of Jewish news is so scant and fitful, that many in the Park Avenue Synagogue, including some of the best informed Jewishly, may be unaware of certain sermons preached of late by Dr. Solomon Goldman, the storm they have precipitated and the deeper issues they disclose—all matters the last especially, far too consequential to be permitted to go unknown and unmarked.

Dr. Goldman is among America's most erudite, courageous and dedicated rabbis. In the course of his ministry he has reared two mighty institutions, the Cleveland Jewish Center, his first congregation, and Temple Anshe Emeth of Chicago, his present post. Meantime, he has written a number of books of Jewish relevance, variegated in theme but all marked by great learning, eloquence, independence of judgment and ardor, Jewish and human. Currently, he is in the midst of a project of staggering dimensions, the single-handed composition of a translation, commentary, criticism and compilation of references from world literature to the whole of the Bible, book by book. Transparently, none of the deliberate utterances of such a person is to be taken lightly.

In his sermons, Dr. Goldman declared that the time had come when official revisions in traditional Jewish observance could no longer be deferred, that the gap between profession and performance in Conservative Judaism had widened so far as to endanger its unity, that by standing pat on the issue the authoritative bodies in Conservatism were doing nothing to resist and in effect were encouraging the prevailing anarchy in ritual usage, individual and synagogual. Nor was Dr. Goldman content with generalities. He recommended specific changes in observance and enunciated criteria for the evaluation of all proposed revisions.

Light the Sabbath Candles

Friday, Jan. 27th.....4:46 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 3rd.....4:54 p.m.

As one who shares Dr. Goldman's convictions I think that I can understand both the content and the timing of his pronouncement. The former represents the releases of a tension from which a Conservative rabbi is never free, the torment of being compelled to watch helplessly the cumulative breakup of traditional observance. I say "helplessly", because along what line shall a rabbi seek to resist? Shall he call on Jews to return to traditional law in its entirety, in effect, to the *Shulchan Aruch?* But such a course would be predoomed to failure, as indeed it ought to be. Yet, because Conservative Judaism has officially authorized no departures from the Tradition—not even to the extent of sanctioning riding or turning on electric lights on the Sabbath or the playing of an organ at worship—any other course the rabbi recommends will reflect himself only. He will in consequence be unable to repose adequate confidence in it himself, nor will it be heeded too closely by his congregants.

The timing of Dr. Goldman's sermon, I suspect, is to be accounted for in terms of the mounting crisis on the issue within Conservative Judaism. One wing of the movement, concerned primarily over present day Jewish life, presses not only for revisions but for a code of standards, a threshold, as it were, below which observance should not fall, a standard to which it may be possible to attempt in good conscience to rally American Jews. The other wing, intent on the past, anxious also over the moral authority of the Seminary in Jewish world scholarship, largely traditional in temper, and concerned perhaps with the fact that some at least of the Seminary's support is near-Orthodox, has resisted change steadfastly. Most recently, indeed, the right wing succeeded in postponing a threat of action on the part of the Rabbinical Assembly, the boldest in its recommendations, the most concerted in its support, the nearest miss as to adoption in all the history of Conservative Judaism. The deferring of hope, as Scripture attested long ago, is a sickness of heart. I feel I know from my own reaction the mood in which Dr. Goldman spoke.

That Orthodox Jews and rabbis should not agree with Dr. Goldman is no more than to be expected. That they should react as some did is both disturbing and revealing.

The most conspicuous reaction has been an outburst from pulpits, in the press and even by means of paid advertisements, of vituperation and name calling. Dr. Goldman is accused of being a virtual illiterate Jewishly, in any case too ignorant to discuss such matters—which would be the most rediculous charge that could be conceived, were it not that our Orthodox brethren have been so ingenious as to think up even more bizarre. They have cast aspersions on Dr. Goldman's loyalty to Israel, devotion to Judaism, and purity of intent.

I find such tactics disturbing and distasteful beyond words. To me they are reminiscent of the worst features of public deportment in continental Europe. Among Germans and Russians it is an accepted practice in controversy, not only political and economic but academic or religious, to stoop to name calling and character assassination. Witness, for extreme instances, the Nazi and Communist presses. The practice is neither Jewish nor American, it is certainly not ethical or religious.

Even more disturbing is the assurance with which Orthodox circles castigate Dr. Goldman. Their manner suggests that they treat him so *by right*, that he is one of their own, wayward but theirs. And this indeed is the general attitude of Orthodoxy toward us Conservative Jews. It looks on us as *bad* Orthodox Jews, Jews who really accept the principles of Orthodoxy and therefore the obligation to live Orthodoxly but lack the integrity or energy to act by their lights.

If this is the mind-set of Orthodox Jews toward us, the fault in largest part is our own. Never having made clear who we are and what we stand for, to the contrary, having encouraged by our silence the impression that we are in fact guilty of the discrepancy with which we are charged, we have invited the

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Message From Men's Club Prexy

The following message was received from Mr. Joseph H. Katz, President of the Men's Club and because of its significance is printed herewith in toto.

— Editor's Note.

"At a recent meeting of the Board of Directors of the Men's Club, a resolution was passed whereby invitations to Men's Club meetings are to be extended to and limited only to men, except on special occasions like last month's Ladies' Night. The proponents of this resolution maintained that our congregation is sufficiently blessed with organizations and programs wherein the ladies are not only invited but urged to attend, such as Sisterhood, P.T.A., Young Folks League and Adult Education classes. To extend invitations to ladies to attend all Men's Club meetings would in effect do away with the idea of a Men's Club. That, of course, was not the intent and purpose of the Men's Club charter."

Marriage

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stein who were married January 8th.

Anniversaries

Our very best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Rosenbloom on their twentieth wedding anniversary on January 16th. Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin B. Davis whose twentieth wedding anniversary is to be celebrated on February 5th.

Best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Schwebel on their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary on January 24th. The fiftieth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Julius Lemele will be celebrated on February 7th.

Condolences

We express our sorrow to the Schuckman family on the loss of Jacob Schuckman.

We extend our sympathy to Irving Weinberg on the loss of his father Mr. Morris Weinberg.

Playhouse Aired

"Storyteller's Playhouse" is a new dramatic radio program of Jewish legend, fact and fantasy being presented each Monday evening from 7:30 to 7:45 p.m. on station WNBC, under the sponsorship of Hadassah.

School for Americans Founded In Israel

Academy to Embrace Well-Rounded Program

An entirely non-partisan and non-political school has been founded in Israel for American students by a member of the Park Avenue Synagogue, Louis J. Schwefel. Mr. Schwefel was the original sponsor of the Intercollegiate Zionist Federation of America (IZFA) and chairman of its National Advisory Board. Until settling in Israel he was National Chairman of the Hadassah-ZOA Commission on *Chalutziuth* and ZOA representatives on the Hadassah-ZOA National Youth Commission. He is Honorary Secretary of the Board of Overseers, Jewish Theological Seminary of America; also Honorary Secretary of the *Keren Heyesod* (Palestine Foundation Fund) of America.

Classical and Modern Blend

Mount Canaan Academy seeks to develop in its students a love and understanding of Jewish life and Jewish values based on both the classical Jewish heritage and the dynamic influence of modern Israel.

Simultaneously, the school seeks to develop traits of character which lead to a wholesome and well-integrated personality, while paying earnest attention to the health and physical needs of its students. The school is under the direction of a group of American Jews who are primarily interested in furthering the cause of Jewish education, and have had many years of association with this field.

Course of Study

The course of instruction includes Hebrew (beginner, intermediate, advanced); the Bible and later Hebrew literature in the original; archaelogy (with student participation in excavations under trained direction); art forms of Israel; the American Jewish community; sociology of the Jewish people; and many other courses designed to educate better Jews for fuller participation in Jewish life.

American college students or graduates who plan to enter the Hebrew University, the Weizman Institute of Science or the Haifa Technical College will receive special training in Hebrew at the

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Welfare Fund Augmented by Gifts

Mr. Emanuel Rosenthal, Executive Secretary of the Congregation has announced the receipt of a number of monetary gifts from members and their families.

The Synagogue was the recipient of a legacy of $1000 from the late Mrs. Tillie Herbert. Gifts to the Welfare Fund also include $100 from Mr. Montague Herbert and $500 from a friend of the late Bernard Armour offered in his memory.

The Synagogue has been the recipient also of a subscription to a De Luxe edition of the Encyclopedia Hebraica donated by the Fund for the Revitalization of the Jewish Tradition of which Mr. William Heller, Mr. Benjamin Sack and Rabbi Milton Steinberg are Trustees.

The Encyclopedia Hebraica is a great enterprise of Hebrew scholarship, being both a general and a Jewish Encyclopedia. It will comprise twenty volumes, and in the edition which the Trustees have selected will be bound in leather. The first of these volumes which is off the press will be received very soon.

Sisterhood Holds Birthday Party

On Tuesday, February 28th, the Sisterhood will hold its Annual Birthday Party. Mrs. Robert Gilbert and Mrs. Mack Fieber will be Chairmen of the day. They have a big surprise in store for everyone and the afternoon promises to be one of fun and frivolity.

Come early and join in their gay and entertaining program.

Seminary Committee Appointments Made

Mr. Benjamin Sack, Chairman of the Board of Trustees has announced the appointments to the Seminary Committee for the Synagogue year 1950. Those who will serve include Mr. Isaac Liberman, Chairman, Mr. Louis M. Cohen, Vice-Chairman, Mr. Jacob Klein, Mr. Arthur V. Levey, Judge Simon H. Rifkind, and Mr. Max Zahler.

Academy Formed

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Mount Canaan academy adequately preparing them for admission to these institutions of higher learning in Israel.

On Sabbaths and holidays inspiring services will be conducted by the students, and on special occasions public programs will be presented. Students will be encouraged to participate in dramatics, music and art, as well as in a practical program of wholesome work skills and agriculture.

There will be full opportunity and facilities for various sport and athletic activities, both indoor and outdoor. There will be frequent expeditions to places of interest throughout Israel "from Dan to Elath", where history will come to life.

Faculty to Be Announced

The staff of instructors will be composed of outstanding American and Israeli educators, chosen for their experience and background as well as for their sympathetic attitude and interest in young people. Members of the faculty will shortly be announced and their names will be recognized as of the highest calibre.

Projects and seminar class methods will encourage personal expression and advancement, and a high ratio of faculty to students will make possible individual attention. No education which is forced can be worthwhile; there will be no regimented classroom at Mount Canaan

Mount Canaan Academy occupies a group of stone and concrete buildings that lend themselves for service as a college campus. The furnishings are all completely modern and new, down to Simmon's inner-spring mattresses and hot and cold water in each dormitory room.

Dietary Laws Observed

A graduate nurse will be in constant attendance on the campus and meals carefully planned by a dietitian. The dietary traditions will be observed.

A large concert and lecture hall; indoor basketball and table tennis; playing fields and tennis courts; acres of pine trees and thick woods; perfect madadam roads on the one hand and steep hiking trails on the other—these and other facilities add to the attractiveness of the campus.

The 50-acre campus is located atop rugged Mount Canaan, highest inhabited peak in Israel, 3000 feet above sea level and still in the pioneer stage of development. It is in the heart of the Galilee country, an area rich in Jewish historic associations.

Below is picturesque and ancient Safed, as well as many modern, new colonies. One can look down on the blue waters of the Kinneret and on Tiberias, only forty minutes away by car; on all sides are valleys and hills which are the sites of dozens of Bible events. The academy is less than fifty miles from Haifa, shipping and industrial capital of Israel.

Men and Women Eligible

Enrollment is open to American young men and women who are high school graduates or at least eighteen years of age. Applicants must furnish references and each application is subject to review by the faculty Board of Admissions. The size of classes as well as the total registration will be determined by the faculty, and must of necessity be limited.

The academic year at Mount Canaan is from October to June. For registered students who plan to come to Israel in advance of the academic year, provisions are made for a summer camp period under the guidance of experienced teachers and with a thorough educational program, as well as supervised tours throughout the country.

Non-Profit Basis

The exact tuition fee will be announced shortly, when all up-to-the-minute cost figures—now being assembled—are completed. The directors have determined that the school shall be conducted on a non-profit basis, and financial statements of the academy will be issued, certified by a chartered Public Accountant.

The academy will be happy to assist parents in making arrangements with reputable travel agencies for student travel by boat or air. Every effort will be made to have groups of students travel with faculty members, but there is no obligation in this regard. Good accommodations on large steamers from New York direct to Haifa can be had from $250 up. Provision may also be made for visits to European countries on the way to or from Israel.

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treatment we are accorded. What is more, many among us who have never been told otherwise, think of their Conservative Judaism as something compromising and compromised and hence as not altogether courageous or honorable.

Well, I for one am not a bad Orthodox Jew; I am not an Orthodox Jew at all. And that not for want of the will to be consistent but out of conviction. I am *by principle* a Conservative Jew, one who reverses the Tradition but believes also in the necessity of its revision in tenet and practice not only in our time but all the time. I want to hold onto the past—but selectively—so that we may be honest with the present; I want to have Tradition and Growth in Judaism simultaneously.

What intemperate Orthodox rabbis and laymen have to say about Dr. Goldman or the rest of us who share his viewpoint is of slight consequence. What does matter is whether we have given them grounds for their adverse opinion. What counts even more is whether we are being forthright and singlehearted in ourselves. The gravest point at issue is whether we are doing all in our power to build in America a Judaism consonant with our highest principles, our deepest needs, our broadest opportunities.

For having summoned us to these tasks, Dr. Goldman merits our gratitude and, more important, our resolute support. — MILTON STEINBERG

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GUEST SPEAKERS TO OCCUPY PULPIT

Rabbi A. Millgram To Discuss Child Education, Feb. 17th

Following the precedent set last year, the Conservative Movement has proclaimed February 17, 1950 as National United Synagogue Sabbath and will mark the day by special observances in all the Conservative congregations throughout the country and Canada.

Rabbi Abraham E. Millgram

On this occasion Dr. Abraham E. Millgram, Educational Director of the United Synagogue of America will visit this congregation as its guest speaker.

Dr. Millgram is a graduate of Teachers Institute of Jewish Theological Seminary, received his M.A. at Columbia University, his Ph.D. at Dropsie College, Philadelphia and was ordained at the Jewish Theological Seminary of America.

He was called to Temple *Beth Israel* in Philadelphia in 1930, remaining for ten years. He then left to become Director of Hillel Foundation at the University of Minnesota from 1940 to 1945.

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Steinbergs Vacation

Rabbi and Mrs. Steinberg are taking a three week vacation beginning Feb. 10, which may end up in Dallas, Texas, where Dr. Harris, who attended the Rabbi when he was ill 5 years ago, has invited them to be his houseguests. If any problems arise the Congregation is urged to call on Rabbi Noveck or Cantor Putterman.

Congregation's Annual Business Meeting Held

Following the Congregational Dinner on Sunday evening, January 22nd, Dr. E. D. Friedman, President of the Congregation welcomed those present and introduced Mr. Benjamin Sack, chairman of the Board of Trustees, whose task it was to render the annual reports of the various groups within the Synagogue. These reports have been summarized for publication in the Bulletin.

In traditional fashion, first place was given to the report of the Sisterhood.

Although the membership of the Sisterhood remains substantially the same, the activities have increased and more

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday Eve....Feb. 10th, 8:30 p.m.
Dr. Hayim Greenberg
will speak on
"Labor Zionism and Religion"

Friday Eve....Feb. 17th, 8:30 p.m.
Rabbi Abraham E. Millgram
will preach on
"Developing a Child Centered Program of Jewish Education"

Sabbath Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.

Daily Evening Worship..5.45 p.m.

Dr. Greenberg, Labor Zionist Leader Appears, Feb. 10th

On Friday evening, February 10th, at 8:30 p.m., Dr. Hayim Greenberg will address the Congregation on the subject, "Labor Zionism and Religion". His appearance on the pulpit is under the sponsorship of the Adult Education Committee.

Dr. Hayim Greenberg

Hayim Greenberg was born in a small village in Bessarabia and received his elementary education in a Russian school. He joined the Zionist movement while still a student, and as a boy of fifteen delivered his first speech at an illegal demonstration. In his teens, he moved to Odessa on the Black Sea, which was at that time one of the great centers of Russian Jewry. There he continued his studies and was active in Jewish public life. He moved in the circle of Bialik, Ussishkin, and other leaders of Jewish intellectual and political life.

During World War I, Hayim Greenberg lived in Moscow, where he was one

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From The Desk Of The President

Dr. E. D. Friedman's Presidential message, presented at the Membership Meeting, January 22, 1950 was of more than topical interest. For this reason, the BULLETIN *is proud to present the speech for wider dissemination.*

—Editor's Note

THE miracle of the re-establishment of Israel, after the lapse of almost twenty centuries, recalls the lines of Henrik Ibsen who makes his hero Peer Gynt exclaim: "The Jew has taught me how to wait."

During this long period of waiting our forefathers took their Judaism in stride. They accepted it on faith. It was their anchor in life and it gave meaning to their existence. They defended it against all comers with their very lives and they died with the *Shema* on their lips. Thru the ages, some deserted and abandoned their heritage. They were mourned and soon forgotten. But the loyal groups among our people carried on in the spirit of our traditions. This was so until the so-called period of enlightenment which began about the middle of the Nineteenth Century. Judaism then emerged from the ghetto and came into contact with the culture of the world outside.

The Challenge of Assimilationism

Then, under pressure, particularly from the original Reform movement in Germany, there began a period of whittling down of our traditions in order to make Judaism and its representatives palatable to the world at large. There had been Christian scholars long ago in Germany, like Reuchlin, Lessing and others, who saw strength and beauty in our faith and defended it. But these were few and far between. On the whole, German scholars, especially in modern times, cultivated Bible criticism, whose aim—avowed or disguised—was to negate Jewish achievement and thus rob Judaism of its *raison d'etre.* It was at this time that there began again, as in the days of Philo of Alexandria, an era of Jewish apologetics. Judaism was to be deprived of its oriental garb and dressed up in modern clothes to satisfy the assimilationist trend. This led to more and more attenuation of our faith until it became, in the words of a former German banker who died in America recently, a very much diluted Judaism (*ein stark verdunntes Judenthum*),—its source barely to be recognized and leading ultimately in this country, in the case of the Houston (Texas) and Lincoln (Nebraska) congregations, to a *reductio ad absurdum.*

So the process of the transformation of Judaism by escapist Jews goes on. This process is similar to that known in biology as protective mimicry, hardly applicable to the sphere of Jewish culture and ideals. And yet these Jews have the temerity to label their utilitarian philosophy of life as religious Judaism. My own thesis is that Judaism may be modified only by the mechanism of familiarity with our literature, sympathetic understanding of our heroic past and the synthesis of the civilization of the Jew with the culture of the modern world.

Light the Sabbath Candles

Friday, Feb. 10th ..... 5.03 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 17th ..... 5:11 p.m.

The Role of Zionism

The Zionists among us have been the spiritual idealists of our people. Thru labor, sacrifice and tears, they have made possible the rebirth of Israel. Who, in modern times, emerges as the better man: the pioneer, the *chalutz,* fired by an ideal, who digs in the soil of Palestine, labors and dies if necessary to help Israel again take root and carry on,—or the great financier or industrialist among us, who, comfortably ensconsed in his office or business, still seeks power to gradually destroy us and our faith? The latter is still a threat to our survival.

One of my non-Jewish friends onre gave me a peculiar reason for being anti-Zionist. He had the impression that if the Zionist program were achieved, all American Zionists would leave for Palestine. As he put it, "The idealists would go and leave us only the mercenary, materialistic, acquisitive Jews."

Jewish Affirmation

We have the right to stand on our dignity as a group. The Englishman proudly proclaimed: "Britannia rules the waves", and more recently, "There will always be an England"; the Frenchman shouts: "Vive la France", the American speaks of God's country. The national, like the individual ego, is prone to express itself in superlative terms. Why should not the Jew everywhere be permitted to say "Long Live Zion". Intransigeant nationalism, like the Prussian and Russian types, may be a source of danger to the world, but nationalism can be a beneficient force. Zion redeemed can only add the dignity of a satisfied longing for self-realization on the part of the Jewish people. The world can well afford to have a self-perpetuating reservoir of Jewish life build its own civilization and can only profit from the addition of its nuance to the cultural pattern of modern times.

Israel wishes to rule over no one, in spite of the ascription to us of such motives by our enemies who, through the psychogenic mechanism of projection, are unconsciously voicing their own dark desires.

Need for Jewish Learning

Since it is true that the Jew has the eternal mission of being the witness to the God idea in civilization, there must be a living self-perpetuating organism which constitutes the bearer of this mission. Hence the importance of centers of Jewish learning,—both in Israel and elsewhere.

It is no accident that all those who would destroy Israel, both in the Jewish and the non-Jewish camps, have been anti-Zionist and opposed to full Jewish education.

The internal disintegration of the Jewish people thru lack of adequate knowledge of its history and literature is more alarming and a greater threat to Jewish survival than anti-semitism.

Jewish Apologetics

We should cease all forms of apologetics for being different. There is ample justification for difference. In the biological world, as we ascend in the phylogenetic scale, there is more and more diversification. So, too, in the social organism we should respect increasing diversity and not demand monotonous uniformity.

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of the "newer" members have taken active part in its program. The Sisterhood is responsible for the duties connected with the major festivals such as the *Succoth* party, *Hanukkah* and *Purim* festivals, and are in charge of arrangements for the annual Congregation dinner.

Their financial accomplishments consisted of their annual contribution of $2,500 to the general funds of the Synagogue; contributions of approximately $5,000 to various philanthropic causes of which the major ones were the United Jewish Appeal, Federation of Jewish Philanthropies, *Torah* Scholarship Fund of the Jewish Theological Seminary, Jewish Guild for the Blind and Youth *Aliyah*. This total represents an increase of $1,000 over the sum spent for philanthropies the previous year.

They have continued on a larger scale their project of working with the Jewish Guild for the Blind with many of the Sisterhood aiding and working with the unsighted individuals at 1880 Broadway, New York.

For their budget which runs into large figures each year, they completed a successful Annual Donor Luncheon at the Waldorf Astoria.

The practice of having the Sisterhood President, Mrs. Juliet Levin accompanied by an aide, Mrs. Helen Wimpfheimer present at the meetings of the Board of Trustees, continued throughout the year.

The School Board

During 1949 a change occurred in the Chairmanship of the School Board of the Synagogue with the appointment of Mrs. I. B. Oseas to this post.

The Board is concerned with the improvement of the quality of instruction in our religious schools, broadening the scope of the curriculum so as to fit our children for participation in religious and communal activities and broadening the school department to meet the needs of our young people from early childhood to adulthood.

On the statistical side there are 221 children registered in the Religious School. 91 meet each Sunday morning in the Primary Department while over 90 meet Saturday morning for instruction and Sabbath services. 65 attend Hebrew classes twice weekly, 16 receive private Hebrew tutoring, and 16 have completed their required Hebrew instruction.

On Sunday mornings a seminar group of 45 young people meet with Rabbi Steinberg at his home from which you can gather that they study literally at his feet. Rabbi Noveck is now organizing a similar seminar group for college students. The Board is constantly endeavoring to improve the staff of the school. On the top level Rabbi Noveck is primarily concerned with the school assisted by Mr. Leichtling, Principal. Mr. Samuel Grand, who was formerly in charge of the school and now a member of the Jewish Education Committee, is an educational consultant to the School Board and has done much constructive work.

Perhaps one of the outstanding accomplishments for the year in respect of the Jewish training of our youngsters is their regular attendance at Sabbath service in our auditorium.

Last June at a city-wide meeting of the Awards Committee of the Metropolitan Council of the United Synagogue, 7 of our children received achievement awards, 15 received attendance awards and 7 received Junior Congregation awards. 2 children, Sylvia Schneider and Robert Rifkind were elected to *Keter Torah*, a city-wide honor society.

The Parents' Association

A natural outgrowth of the activities of the School Board a few years ago was the organization of the Parents' Association whose president is Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer. They have grown and blossomed with increasingly popular devotion on the part of the members and their guests.

They have conducted educational meetings consisting of round table discussions and lectures by Rabbis, psychiatrists and laymen. Not the least of their accomplishments is the promotion of closer social ties among many members of the Congregation and the closer co-operation between school and home.

Every class in our Religious School has its own representative Class Mother who acts as a liaison between parents and teacher in her group. They are responsible for the annual Book Fair during November Jewish Book Month and incidentally use the money that is made from this function to purchase new books for the School Library and records for the Music Library.

They take an important part in the important religious festivals such as *Hanukkah, Purim, Passover* and *Simhath Torah.*

They were responsible for a highly successful party held in the Synagogue conducted by the young people themselves and initiated a teen-age dance party for the ten-to-thirteen year olds at *Hanukkah.* Many more of these parties, so wholesome in the lives of our children, are expected to follow.

The Ritual Committee

The Chairman of the Ritual Committee, Mr. I. B. Oseas, reports no innovations produced during the past year that require any comment although several meetings of the Committee were held.

This Committee explored the possibility of holding a community *Seder* in 1949 but found insufficient interest among the members of the congregation.

The House Committee

One of our Committees spent over $10,000 during the year, but I am sure all will agree that the expenditures were necessary and were supervised by our capable Chairman of the House Committee, Mr. Mortimer Millheiser.

Few perhaps are aware that complete repair of our organ cost close to $5,000. It was the first time in over 20 years that this was done.

The House Committee tries to keep the building and facilities in good condition. Their accomplishments during the past year included changing our electric current, improving ventilation, painting of the Vestry Rooms and other rooms.

The Men's Club

Mr. Joseph Howard Katz, its President reports that the Men's Club in two years has 280 members on its membership list, having added 75 during the past year and are now engaged to reach a goal of 350 by the end of 1950.

You have noticed the improvement in the ushering during holidays and Friday night services. This duty was taken over by the Men's Club for the sole purpose of making our services more beautiful and meaningful. The Men's Club have undertaken to install a War Memorial which will be erected in the southwest corner of the Synagogue before the next High Holy Days.

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REPORT OF CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

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The Junior League

The Park Avenue Synagogue of the future is represented in the next report which is that of the Junior League whose Chairman is Louis Heller. This is a group that consists at the present time of 60 members and was extremely active throughout the year. They report some business meetings, several open meetings, an outing up-state, (10) fund-raising affairs, several dances, old fashioned movie nights and one event held outside the Synagogue, the U.J.A. Dance at the Hotel Pierre.

As with other groups in the Synagogue, their activities are not confined to education alone or to just having fun. Their fund-raising efforts made possible the gift of a Bulletin Board to the Synagogue which has become a desirable esthetic fixture. They also contributed $3,000 to worthwhile causes including the United Jewish Appeal, Brandeis University, Federation, Jewish Theological Seminary, Youth *Aliyah*, and others.

Several members of the Junior League are members of the Synagogue in their own names. They are represented on many Committees appointed under the authority of the Board of Trustees. One of them is a member of the Advisory Council.

The Adult Education Committee

One of the Committees of the Synagogue which is arousing increasing attention not only from our members, but from friends on the outside, is that of the Adult Education Committee.

Judging from the attendance at the meetings which this Committee has attracted, it appears correct to endorse the statement of the Chairman Mr. Harold Starkman, that the year 1949 was an outstanding one in connection with activities in Adult Education. They have served two purposes, educational and social.

The first part of the year was devoted to the home study courses with an average attendance of 267. These groups met at members' homes.

Some of the members were treated to an extraordinary experience in having one of our young members, the brilliant young Arthur Cohen, son of our own Mr. and Mrs. Issy M. Cohen, give an interesting philosophical seminar on "Great Theological Texts" which included the works of Kierkegaard, Whitehead, Buber, Barth and Brunner.

In the second half of 1949, a successful program of lectures and courses was inaugurated under the stimulating instruction of Rabbi Simon Noveck who gave seven lectures on the Prophets. The total lectures were attended by 840 persons, or an average of 120 per lecture.

The Committee reports a great interest in the three Hebrew courses given in the Synagogue.

The mid-winter and spring program of 1950 started with a tremendous outpouring of an enthusiastic audience that almost burst the seams of this vestry. Rabbi Steinberg initiated a series of four lectures beginning January 9th on "New Trends in Religious Thoughts" at which 400 persons appeared at the first lecture, and approximately 450 at the second on January 16.

For the balance of the winter-spring series of lectures, Rabbi Noveck will give six lectures on "The Rabbinic Age," in addition to which there will be a seminar on Sociology and Religion conducted by Professor Albert Salomon of the Faculty of the Graduate School of The New School for Social Research, who, incidentally, is a member of our Adult Education Committee.

The Publicity Committee

The Publicity Committee has chosen to have the BULLETIN that is regularly mailed to the membership constitute its report of activities for the year.

I believe that it would be redundant to describe the BULLETIN for all of us know the high standards that go into its preparation and the almost in-exhaustible effort in its completion on time. We all regard the BULLETIN as linking every member of the Congregation with each other. The Committee feels that it could make the BULLETIN even more friendly if the members of the Congregation would furnish it with family news of all kinds.

Mr. D. Leonard Cohen is Chairman of the Publicity Committee and Miss Jo Levy is BULLETIN Editor.

The Membership Committee

One of the guardians of the character of our membership, slowly changing over the years, is the Membership Committee. The tasks of this Committee are in many ways more complex and more delicate than most people realize.

Mr. Ezra Cohen, Chairman of the Membership Committee reports that with the addition of new members and the loss of others through death and resignation, our membership remains at 710 which constitutes the approximate maximum of our capacity. This Committee had numerous meetings during the calendar year 1949 during which resignations were considered and acted upon and new members admitted.

The Committee reports that 24 applications now on file are waiting action.

The Committee also has under active consideration a new type of application for new members designed principally for the purpose of having the whole Committee acquainted with prospective members in advance by personal meetings. Inasmuch as the income of the Synagogue is now based largely on the ability of individuals to pay, this Committee has deemed it essential to acquaint prospective members with the revised plan adopted two years ago so that new and old members will be substantially on the same basis, that is, on their respective ability to pay.

The Building Committee

If dedication to a task were enough and if to that were added thoroughness and competence in discharging an assignment, we would all be participating in this annual meeting in our new building.

The Building Committee has a special report to make. It is published in another part of this BULLETIN in the form of an interview with its Chairman, Mr. Saul Godwin.

The Law Committee

There is one Committee whose work is rarely publicized but whose responsibility it is to see that the Board and the officers conduct themselves in accordance with the law of the State, the Constitution and our By-Laws. Apparently none has committed a violation and therefore no formal report is submitted to you by the Law Committee.

Mr. Abe Geller is Chairman of the Law Committee.

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REPORT OF THE BUILDING COMMITTEE

After the Congregational Meeting on January 22nd, 1950, Mr. Saul Godwin, Chairman of the Building Committee of the Board of Trustees, was interviewed by the BULLETIN. The questions asked of him and the answers given are as follows.

Q.—Will you briefly state the plan which the Trustees have under consideration to increase the Synagogue's physical facilities.

A.—We are considering a proposal to construct a three story addition above the rear portion of the Synagogue. Such addition would be structurally independent of the present frame. There would be no interior work or changes in the Synagogue auditorium, nor in the facade's design. Basically, the idea, as submitted by Mr. Robert Greenstein, an architect and congregant of our Synagogue, contemplates building a structure above the roof of the Synagogue supported by columns placed in the side courts of the property. The proposal envisages (at first) a three floor addition with sufficient strength in the columns to support additional floors, if and when required.

Q.—When was this plan submitted by Mr. Greenstein to your board?

A.—In September 1949.

Q.—What were the first steps taken by the Board to explore this proposal?

A.—The Board authorized its Building Committee to retain an architect and construction consultant to investigate the feasibility and practicability of the proposal, turning over to him for examination the sketches drawn by Mr. Greenstein.

Q.—What were his findings?

A.—He found as follows:

1. That the foundation conditions were favorable for the construction.
2. That our mechanical systems now contained in the present structure are expandable.
3. That the courts exits can be redirected.
4. That the rear yard offsets are legal and would not encroach upon the requirements of the Building Code or the Zoning Law.
5. That the space requirements can be adequately met.
6. That the structural performance appears to admit of solution.
7. That vertical travel can be satisfactorily provided.
8. That aesthetically, the addition need not detract from the appearance of the street facade of the Synagogue.
9. That the new construction and the alteration work need not affect the function or usefulness of the Synagogue.
10. That conditions are favorable for natural light, ventilation and a pleasant view.
11. That adequate capacity and effective space arrangement can be provided within the shell of the addition.

and summed up his conclusions with the statement that "all critical conditions in regard to construction are favorable for the advancement of this project."

Q.—Did your architect indicate what he thought the cost of the proposed construction would be?

A.—Yes. He said that the capital costs (approximate) are exceptionally favorable, particularly since no investment is necessary for the purchase of land. He said that the total approximate estimate would be $250,000.

Q.—After that report was submitted to you, was anything done by the Trustees?

A.—Yes. The sum of $1500. was voted by the Trustees for the purpose of having an architect, chosen by the Building Committee, draft preliminary drawings, *i.e.*, definite plans and specifications upon which builders could estimate and submit bids. This determination was reached only after a group of builders and architects had consulted with the Board of Trustees concerning the same.

Q.—What is the present status of this matter?

A.—The Building Committee met on December 28th last, and discussed at length the matter of hiring an architect. In view of the technical nature of this matter, it was deemed advisable to appoint a sub-committee consisting of builders and architects to proceed to obtain bids from architects to undertake this work.

Q.—Will the architect you employ be required to furnish complete plans, etc.?

A.—Yes.

Q.—Have you made any contracts of any kind with regard to the contemplated work?

A.—The Trustees have not been committed to any contract, nor have they even determined whether they intend to go ahead with this project. All that has been done has been of an explorative nature and the only affirmative step taken by the Trustees has been the allocation of $1500. for the preliminary work of an architect.

Q.—Have you contacted the various branches of the Synagogue to obtain from them their suggestions as to the lay out, as to their needs and whether they have suggestions to make in connection with the plans and specifications?

A.—Yes. The Building Committee has contacted every arm of the Synagogue, inviting each to submit to the Building Committee any suggestions each might have regarding the lay out of the floors, the amount of space reasonably required in the normal conduct of their work, and any ideas they may have relative to additional auditoriums, meeting rooms, etc. To enable them to understand more clearly the space involved in the construction, Mr. Greenstein drew a series of sketches indicating the floor space, etc., which were placed in the office of the Synagogue for inspection by representatives of the various organizations in the Synagogue.

Q.—Did you present all of the foregoing to the Congregational Meeting last Sunday night, January 22nd?

A.—Yes. Mr. Greenstein brought with him an elaborate chart and indicated his proposal to the members present. A number of questions were asked and answered by Mr. Greenstein at said meeting.

Rabbi Noveck Begins New Courses For Adults

Monday evening, February 6, two new courses began under the auspices of the Adult Education Committee whose activities have been such an overwhelming success this year.

At nine o'clock Rabbi Simon Noveck began a series of six lectures on the general theme of the Rabbinic Age. These lectures will furnish a survey of Jewish History during the last two centuries of the second Jewish State and the whole period leading up to the redaction of the Talmud. They will discuss the political, economic and social philosophy of the Talmud, comparing the Jewish Talmudic outlook with contemporary social philosophies both religious and secular. The last two lectures of this series will deal with "The Jewish View of Jesus and the Influence of Paul on the Rise of Christianity."

Sociology and Religion

The second course offered by the Adult Education Committee is being given by Prof. Albert Salomon, professor in the graduate department of the New School for Social Research and a member of the Park Avenue Synagogue on the theme of Sociology and Religion. Prof. Salomon will deal with such outstanding sociologists as Max Weber and Emil Durkheim, and trace the great contributions which they have made to the study of religion.

An outstanding authority in his field, a brilliant sociologist and a warm hearted Jew, Prof. Salomon offers a unique opportunity for an introduction to a very absorbing field of study.

Hebrew Courses Continue

On February 13th at 8 o'clock Professor Salomon will discuss "Sociology as Religion of Humanity". The lecture will include a discussion of industrial progress as the Kingdom of God. The following Monday evening's lecture will be on "The Sociology of Religion".

At 9 o'clock on Monday evening, February 13th, as part of his series of lectures on the Rabbinic Age, Rabbi Noveck will explain the nature and characterists of the Talmud. The political and economic philosophy of the Talmud will be the topic for the following Monday evening's meeting. The attitude of the Talmud towards society, the state, com-

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Junior League Plans Brotherhood Program

In recognition of Brotherhood Week this year, the Junior League is stressing intra rather than inter-faith relations. Accordingly, there will be a town hall meeting in our Synagogue on Thursday evening, February 9th at 8:30 p.m., on the topic, "Are We Ready For A Unified American Judaism?" The panel of speakers, representing three major currents of Jewish religious concepts, are Rabbi David J. Seligson of Central Synagogue, for the reform; Rabbi Morris J. Besdin of *Beth Hamidash Hagodol* of Washington Heights, for the orthodox; and Rabbi Simon Noveck, for the conservative. All young people in the Congregation are cordially invited to be present.

Joint Meeting with S.A.J.

On Sunday evening, February 12th, the members of the Junior League will attend a joint meeting with the Youth Division of the Society for the Advancement of Judaism at the latter's synagogue. Then, the following Sunday, the 19th, several Leaguers will participate in the National Educational Conference of the Young People's League of the United Synagogue at the Brooklyn Jewish Center.

The next fund raising function will be a Pre-*Purim* Dance of Sunday afternoon, February 26th, in the Vestry.

Sisterhood Party Features Millinery Show

Mrs. Robert Gilbert and Mrs. Mack Fieber co-chairmen of Sisterhood's Annual Birthday Party announce that the party will take place on Tuesday Feb. 28th at 1:30 p.m.

The entertainment will feature a Millinery Show of hats styled, designed and made by some of their own members. Each hat will be clever, artistic or humorous.

The judges who will be Sally Victory, Mrs. David Nathan and Mrs. Edwin Davidson will award a prize for the best hat in the show.

Sally Victor has been gracious enough to donate one of her hats as a door prize and everyone at the Birthday Party will have a chance to win it. Refreshments will be served.

Births

Congratulations to Dr. and Mrs. William Stricker on the birth of their son, Raphael Becher. Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Milton Sivek on the birth of their daughter. Best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gross on the birth of their son, Richard Alan and to the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Gross.

Bar Mitzvah

Best wishes to Lyn Narins, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Narins who will celebrate his *Bar Mitzvah* on February 11th.

Engagements

Best wishes to Mrs. S. J. Baron on the engagement of her son, Henry to Miss Adeline Oppenheimer.

Marriages

Congratulations to Mr. Peter Miller on his marriage to Miss Rhoda Oxenberg.

Anniversaries

Our very best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Milton Heller who celebrated their thirty-third wedding anniversary on January 15th. Best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Isidore Cohen who celebrated their twenty-ninth wedding anniversary on January 30th.

Condolences

We express our sorrow to Mr. Mortimer Herskovits on the loss of his father Max Herskovits.

We extend our sympathy to Mrs. Daniel Janover on the loss of her husband.

We express our sympathy to Mrs. Rose Radin on the loss of her mother, Mrs. Tillie Swirsky.

Rabbi Millgram

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Two of his books have been published, namely "An Anthology of Medieval Hebrew Literature", and "Sabbath—The Day of Delight".

United Synagogue Sabbath will be a powerful demonstration of Conservative Judaism and will bring "home" to the rank and file membership of the congregations, the work of the United Synagogue of America, its program, scope and aims. This special Sabbath will focus attention upon the unity in purpose and action of the United Synagogue Family, Congregation, Sisterhood Men's Club, and YPL, the backbone of Conservative Judaism in the community.

"FROM THE DESK OF THE PRESIDENT"

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I would add at this point that the Jew belongs with the liberals of the world because in a state in which liberalism is the guiding policy, all minorities, including the Jewish, need not apologize for their existence, and may safely express their individual selves. Under such auspices, the Jew can be true to himself and of necessity cannot be false or disloyal to any man or group. In a world of liberalism there will be no need for tolerance, which implies a condescending putting-up with so-called undesirable groups, but rather mutual respect for honest differences. The great spirits among men stress ideals. In this company, the historically-conscious Jew has a valuable contribution to make to humanity. As for the bigots who hate us, we can afford to ignore them and serenely go on our way. The spiritually-minded non-Jews will only applaud such behavior, and it is their opinion which should concern us.

We should therefore add our influence to those of the non-Jewish organizations who are in the fight for democracy and brotherhood. These organizations deserve our wholehearted support, both moral and financial.

Our policy for the future should be based on a disavowal of rabid assimilationism and the abandonment of apologetics.

Fears of Escapists

The Israeli program places no Jew in jeopardy and can add nothing to anti-semitic propaganda. But every anti-semite, conscious or unconscious, feels and knows that the establishment of the Jewish Commonwealth will give the Jew a new lease of life and he must therefore oppose the consummation of Jewish hopes on any ground. Our own assimilated Jews and the bigoted non-Jews rationalize their opposition to Zion into pro-Arab sympathy or pseudo-millenial universalism, at the expense of the Jewish people.

The sociologist, Edward A. Ross, once stated that the half-caste or escapist individual is always in fear. Modern sociologists, including our own Kurt Lewin, speak of him as the marginal man—one who has left his own group but has not yet received social acceptance into the other which he strives to enter. These half-caste individuals or marginal men are most insecure. So our escapist Jews, having psychologically abandoned their own heritage and unable to enter the world which they seek, are suspended in mid-air,—hence their feelings of insecurity. They see hobgoblins everywhere. Hence their pitiful and frantic attempts to escape into some sort of psychological haven and their imperviousness to reasonable and practical solutions of the Jewish problem. No Jew, however, should be motivated by fear. Fear paralyzes action.

These escapists ought to recognize that it is only by open identification with their group can they find security and inner peace. The group gives strength to the individual. This has been well demonstrated by Sir Wilfred Trotter in his volume "Herding and the Herd Instinct in Peace and War". The group also satisfies in a limited way the craving of man for immortality—hence the feeling of security which results from identification with the group.

Basis for Survival

The Jewish group in the past cherished its ideals and it is these ideals which helped it to survive in spite of bitter persecution. Empires come and go. Power, pomp and circumstance are fleeting,—ideals are eternal. As opposed to this feeling of inner strength on the part of the loyal Jew, we have the insecurity of the group that has been well characterized by the late Chief Rabbi Hertz as the "order of trembling Israelites". Theirs is not the spirit of Israel and they have no right to speak for Jewry. Their utilitarian approach to life is thinly disguised as a meaningless affiliation with "religious" Judaism. Their chief occupations seem to be philanthropy and fighting anti-semitism.

For the rest of us, the love of Zion and Hebrew learning has throughout our history been the antidotes to the virus of de-Judaization. Our phophets, in spite of their message of universalism, always kept their devotion to Zion and to our Torah before the people and thus preserved our heritage.

We are not opposed to some elements of reform or adjustment to modern life, but, as the great Hebrew scholar Kohut put it, we are opposed to surrender. Our own conservative movement is indebted to the late Solomon Schechter who had the courage to oppose faith in the intangible and emotional to the absolute dominion of rationalism.

We are the trustees of an ancient heritage and we must therefore act with a sense of responsibility to our trust, for it has been the genius of Israel to stress the importance of religion in our lives. There is no Jewish chemistry, physics, mathematics or medicine. But there is evident among the Jewish scientists a striving towards unity concepts. This is in harmony with the concept of monotheism in religion. I need only refer to Einstein who unified the world of physics, to Freud who did likewise for the world of psyche, and to Marx, who proposed a classless society in the world of economics. Marx, the baptized Jew, in spite of himself, gave expression to the thundering righteousness of the Hebrew prophets whom he disavowed.

The insecurity of the Jew thru the ages, when he had to live by his wits, led him perhaps to develop some undesirable characteristics. But this was forced upon him by a hostile environment and later chalked up against him as a defect in character.

The realization of the Israeli state will normalize Jewish life by the development of a stratified society, by the contribution of the group to the civilization of our time, and by giving the Israeli group an official address.

In conclusion, may I refer briefly to some lessons to be drawn by us as a loyalist and survivalist group. Now that Israel is a fact, it is important on the American scene to emphasize the centrality of the synagogue in Jewish life and to cultivate our spiritual assets so that we may add a Hebraic nuance to the culture of America.

We also should constitute ourselves friends of Israel. While the Israelis are busy building the Israeli state we should carry on the religious and cultural phases of our life as Jews and ultimately fructify the life of Israel with the products of a spiritually active Jewish community in America. An educated laity with a thorough knowledge of Hebrew is almost a *sine qua non* for our survival on this continent.

There is no reason why American Jewry, by cultivating its traditions on

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ANNUAL MEETING

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Liason Committee with The Pulpit

Another Committee which functions quietly and effectively is the Liaison Committee with the Pulpit which continues its work of maintaining the relations of the members of the Pulpit with the Board of Trustees amiable and correct. Under the pressure of outside activities of our first Chairman, Milton Weill, with all of which a number of are acquainted, we prevailed upon the present Chairman to succeed to this task.

This Committee had the responsibility, aided by representatives of our various active Committees, in the selection of Rabbi Noveck.

Our revered President, Dr. E. D. Friedman, did an outstanding job on this Committee.

The Finance Committee

The report of the Finance Committee is contained in the statement submitted to the Board monthly by Mr. George Armour, chairman of the Committee.

You will all be pleased to know that the financial health of the Synagogue continues as sound as it was one year ago. Last year I referred to a just revision of our individual obligation to the Synagogue by virtue of which additional income was raised and some money saved over and above expenses.

For the fiscal year ended August 31, 1949 our income and expenditures were approximately as budgeted one year ago, with the result that we collected an excess of income over disbursements of $29,244.

Our present budget for the current fiscal year which began September 1, 1949 and which depends upon the full collection of our membership dues, should show a further increase in the Reserve Fund of the Synagogue.

The following officers were elected at the Congregational meeting:

President ..... Dr. E. D. Friedman
Vice President..... I. B. Oseas
Treasurer ..... George L. Armour
Associate Treasurer ..... Arthur Ochs
Executive Secretary
Emanuel Rosenthal
Chairman, Board of Trustees
Benjamin Sack
Vice-Chairman ..... Ezra Cohen
Sexton ..... M. D. Millheiser
Sisterhood Representative or Designee
Juliet Levin
Honorary President ...Jacob Friedman
Honorary Vice-President .Charles Weill

Trustees Elected

Those elected for three years to 1953 were: Ezra Cohen, Sanford H. Cohen, Jules Haft, Harry Halbren, Mrs. Harold H. Levin (Sisterhood Pres.), Joseph I. Lubin, Israel B. Oseas, George L. Armour, Jacob Klein, to serve as Trustee to 1952 (To fill the vacancy of Dr. E. D. Friedman).

Advisory Council Elections

At a recent meeting of the Board of Trustees, elections to the Advisory Council were held. Those elected were: Harry Z. Altmark, Dudley Greenstein, Milton Heller, Bernard Prensky, Dr. Harold Osserman, Joseph Howard Katz, Maurice Levin, and Joseph Kurzon.

Adult Program

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merce, industry and labor are among the topics to be touched upon.

In addition to these courses, Cantor Putterman continues to give his course of Jewish music, and the three courses in elementary Hebrew as well as a course in advanced conversational Hebrew will continue as usual.

Dr. H. Greenberg

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of the editors of the outstanding Russian Jewish weekly, "*Rasswiet*". After the March Revolution, Hayim Greenberg settled in Charkow, where he was an instructor in Medieval Jewish Literature and the Greek Drama in the University of Charkow. When the Bolsheviki seized power and began persecuting the Zionist and the Hebrew culture, he was arrested on more than one occasion.

In 1920 he left the Soviet Union, settling in Berlin, where he edited the "*Haolom*". Since 1924, he has been living in this country. He was editor of "*Farm Folk*" and the "*Yiddisher Kemfer*". For the past sixteen years, he has been editor of the "*Jewish Frontier*". He is also a member of the Zionist Actions Committee.

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the free soil of America, could not duplicate the Augustan period of Jewish history in Spain. At that time the Jews played important roles in the political life of the nations among whom they dwelt and at the same time produced a veritable galaxy of Hebrew scholars and sages.

We should, as a group, also avoid the complete secularization of the Sabbath and cultivate in our homes the more important ritual practices of our faith. They add to the poetry of our life, and concretize the religious concepts of Judaism.

I trust, too, that our membership will see to it that there is no dichotomy in the lives of our children. This can be accomplished only by integrating the life at home with the teachings of our school. In this way our children will be spared the psychological conflicts so inimical to their normal growth, and will be properly armed to withstand the onslaught of anti-semitism.

Our own congregational life should also be further developed by an actively interested membership and by the early building of a community house and school, so that we can give our esteemed rabbis the tools with which to work.

May we then go from strength to strength and may we live to see a generation of Jews and Jewesses proud of their birthright, familiar with its teachings, and contributing its share to the spiritual life of America.

— E. D. FRIEDMAN

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Special Purim Programs Planned

Special *Purim* services for the students of the Religious School have been scheduled for Thursday, March 2nd at 4:30 p.m. At this time the *Megillah* will be read and will be followed by entertainment and refreshments.

A special *Purim* film strip prepared by the J.E.C. with the cooperation of our Religious School will be shown. Parents are invited to come with their children.

Adult Services

On the same evening the Synagogue will hold its Annual *Purim* Party. The evening services will start in the Synagogue auditorium at 7:30 p.m. with the reading of the *Megillah*, in which the Congregation will participate.

A very elaborate program has been prepared by the Sisterhood for the evening's entertainment, immediately following the services.

Mrs. Arthur Morse, chairman of the *Purim* Party, has planned to have the Choral Group, under the direction of Cantor Putterman, sing several *Purim* songs, in some of which the Congregation may join.

Jean Murai, an outstanding entertainer, will sing some folk songs from countries all over the world.

"Information Please"

The climax of the evening will be an "Information Please" program. The panel will consist of representatives from all the Synagogue organizations: Mr. Harold Levin, Board of Trustees; Mrs. Abraham Geller, Sisterhood; Mr. Archie Thurman, Men's Club; Mrs. Rose Blondheim, Adult Education Committee; Mrs. Theodore Kaplan, Parents' Association; Mr. Richard Druss, Teen Agers; and Mr. Dudley Greenstein, Junior League.

The questions used on this program of "Information Please" are original and completely unrehearsed. We are sure everyone will be on hand to applaud the contestant representing him.

At the close of the evening's entertainment, refreshments will be served.

Dr. Curt Sachs To Speak At Jewish Music Fete, Feb. 24th

On Friday evening, February 24th, a program in celebration of "Jewish Music Festival Month" has been arranged under the auspices of the Committee on Adult Education.

Cantor David Putterman will present an evening of some of the outstanding Synagogue music composed during the period 1900 to 1950. The Park Avenue Synagogue choir with Mr. Isidor Geller at the organ will assist Cantor Putterman in the presentation. The program to be presented is:

SYNAGOGUE MUSIC 1900 TO 1950

Ma Tovu (1900) ..... Nowakowsky
Lecho Dodi (1908) ..... Kirschner
Borechu (1920) ..... Alman
Shema Yisroel (1928) ..... Binder
Mi Chomocho (1932) ..... Achron
Veshomru (1932) ..... Zilberts
May The Words (1934) ..... Weill
Vaanachnu (1949) ..... Gruenthal
Oz Yashir (1950) ..... Rosowsky

Aside from the excellent compositions to be heard during the evening, there will be two additional highlights. Dr. Curt Sachs, who will be guest speaker, has chosen as his topic "Music In The Synagogue."

An eminent musicologist, Dr. Sachs has achieved an international reputation. Born in Berlin in 1881, he received his doctorate from Berlin University in 1904. He was later a professor at that university, and at a number of other schools, as well as curator of the State's Museum of Musical Instruments, and a consultant on music to the Egyptian government.

In 1933, he held a position at the Anthropological Museum in Paris. Four years later, a professor at New York University, he was also consultant to the New York Public Library.

From 1945 to 1949 Dr. Sachs lectured at Queens College and last year became President of the American Musicological Society.

He is the author of 27 books, among them "World History of the Dance", which has appeared in German, Amer-

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Dr. Petigorsky Guest Of Men's Club Mar. 7th

The March meeting of the Men's Club will be held on Tuesday evening, March 7, at 8:15 P.M. This will consist of a regular business meeting preceded by a review of current Jewish events to be given by Rabbi Milton Steinberg.

As a highlight of the evening, the guest speaker will be Dr. David W. Petigorsky, the Executive Director of the American Jewish Congress. His topic will be, "American Jewry in an Era of Transition".

Dr. Petigorsky was a guest speaker from our Synagogue pulpit on a Friday night several years ago when he attracted a capacity attendance. He is a gifted and versatile educator as well as a student of world Jewish affairs.

All men are invited to attend. Refreshments will follow.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Jewish Music Festival Celebration
Friday Eve....Feb. 24th, 8:30 p.m.
Synagogue Music 1900-1950
Dr. Curt Sachs
will speak on
"Music In The Synagogue"
presented by
Cantor David Putterman
Park Avenue Synagogue Choir
Isidor Geller, Organist

Sabbath Morning Worship . 10:00 a.m.
Daily Evening Worship..5.45 p.m.

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From The Desk of Rabbi Steinberg

NOW that the "Greenstein plan" for expanding our Synagogue facilities has been formally presented to the congregation, it is important that our membership be aware not only of its virtues but of the difficulties which beset all alternatives.

The proposal under advisement calls for erecting over our Synagogue auditorium a three or four story superstructure to house class and club rooms, a library and lounge, an intermediately sized auditorium and offices. Reached by two elevators, it would interfere with our Synagogue neither in the process of construction nor in use thereafter. The project has been pronounced architecturally practicable by competent authorities. The facade of the Synagogue would not be marred by it. The cost, by all indications, would not be prohibitive. Each room would have full light and air. The possibility of further expansion upward at any future time would be preserved. Included as an integral element in the project, is the rebuilding of our vestry into an attractive ball and banquet hall. The end result admittedly would be a far cry from the colossi of marble and steel which so many congregations, smaller and poorer than our own, are rearing. But it would suffice for our real requirements, and, there need be no mortgage by way of aftermath.

Now what are the alternatives to this course?

First: That we purchase a plot adjoining the Synagogue and build on it, which means, since large apartment houses hem us in on the other sides, that purchase the building now occupied by the Rooney Funeral Parlor.

Light the Sabbath Candles

Friday, Feb. 24th.....5:19 p.m.
Friday, March 3rd.....5:27 p.m.

Comment: Whatever merit the proposal possesses is nullified by the fact that the owners of this property have not been willing even to enter into negotiations over its sale. Besides, were we to acquire it its present building would be worthless to us, the plot which would be available when it was demolished would be negligible, and the structure which we might erect on it would be virtually without light or air for the first three stories or more.

Second: That we purchase a plot as near as possible to the Synagogue but in any case removed from it, building on it a suitable school building and community house.

Comment: My objections to this proposal are multiple. It is uneconomical in that we should have to make a considerable outlay for ground, a move which the Greenstein plan circumvents. It is uneconomical furthermore in that running two separate buildings must be more costly, for the same program, than maintaining one. It is undesirable programwise—and this I have on the authority of rabbis who preside over such dismembered Synagogues. Activities are scattered, so that supervision is difficult. People are forever going to the wrong building. Finally, it is deleterious spiritually. It would mean that our children and youth would frequent an edifice, separate and apart from the Synagogue, for their Jewish and spiritual edification. If we can manage it, we must see to it that our children learn and play under the same roof where worship is conducted and the *Torah* enshrined and proclaimed.

Third: That we build a totally new plant, Synagogue auditorium and school facilities alike, on some other site. Our present seating capacity, the proponents of this proposal point out, is inadequate to the numbers who wish to join us as members. It does not allow, as was argued cogently at the recent annual membership meeting, for parents and children to worship together on the High Holydays. Ergo, we need a new and larger Synagogue auditorium, and since our congregation has gained in prestige in recent years, one more nearly representative in size and sit of our importance.

Comment: Of all the proposals under consideration this seems to me the least appealing and most dangerous.

It would entangle us in an enterprise involving at least a million dollars, and more likely millions of dollars. An auditorium seating two thousand persons, with all auxiliary facilities attached, located in a prominent site and done in expensive materials and designs—that matter of "prestige" again—could not come out less costly.

We have no right to spend such extravagant sums with U.J.A. and Federation going abegging. It would be imprudent even to attempt it. So vast an undertaking would mean that every energy would have to be bent, not for a short period but for years, on fund raising—and this just at a time when our educational and social activities are registering such large gains and our Board is at last free to turn at least some of its attention from administrative to programmatic concerns. What is more, we would almost certainly be left with a vast mortgage, to drain our time and energy and divert us from the matters which are a Synagogue's true *raisons d'etre*.

Finally, there is no real need for a tremendous new plant.

Our Synagogue is unequal to seating all who wish to worship with us only on the High Holydays. For the rest of the year it is quite large enough.

As to accepting as members all who desire to join us, I have long contended that our present congregation of seven hundred families is already too large. Neither the sense of at homeness nor easy pastoral relations between ministers and congregants is fostered when institutions grow gargantuan. Instead then of compounding this problem of *esprit* by adding still additional hundreds of members, we would be better advised to take the initiative in organizing another Conservative congregation, fashioned after our own, perhaps further South in the Yorkville area. And if it be contended that our present rabbis and cantor are essential to any such enterprise, then why should not the Park Avenue Synagogue *lend* either of its rabbis and the cantor for a time to the infant congregation it shall have called into being?

I am gravely concerned over the other contention: that it is at present impos-

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With Our Youth

Robert Rifkind and Martin Gelfand have been appointed a committee to explore the possibilities for the formation of a post *Bar Mitzvah* group to meet on alternate Sunday mornings or on alternate Saturday afternoons for the discussion of Jewish problems. This committee grew out of a luncheon meeting held by Rabbi Noveck in honor of the boys who have been *Bar Mitzvah* during the past year. Those invited to the luncheon included: Donald Blau, Mark Frankel, Harry Galton, Martin Gelfand, Jonathan Greenwald. Arthur Jacobs, Jack Kaplan, Robert Rifkind and Frank Salomon.

Confirmation Class

The confirmation class of 1950, in addition to an enlarged curriculum which they have undertaken for Saturday mornings, under the direction of Mr. Edwin Schoffman, are now meeting with Rabbi Noveck every Tuesday afternoon at 5 P.M. for a course on "Basic Principles of the Jewish Religion." Each confirmant will be required to pass a written examination on Religion, Modern Hebrew Literature, vocabulary of Jewish Life, and General Jewish History.

A series of social affairs are being planned for the Confirmation Class. The first of these took the form of a luncheon-meeting with the Confirmation Class of S.A.J., held on Sunday afternoon, February 5th.

Following a delicious lunch served them by Mrs. Milton Helpern and Mrs. Charles Bennet of the Parents' Association, an enthusiastic discussion took place. The American Jewish community, modern Jewish education and problems facing Jewish youth today were among the topics touched upon in the lively discussion which lasted more than an hour.

Teen Age Seminar

The Teen Age Seminar group with Francine Kornzweig, Martin Bressler and Hugh Levy as temporary officers are planning a gala *Purim* Carnival and Ball to be held on the night of March 4 in the Vestry Room of the Synagogue. Chairman for the evening is Evan Janovic and assisting him are Stephen Howe, Norman Fedder. Jonathan Steinberg and Richard Druss. Elaborate prepara-

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Sisterhood's Birthday Party

Tuesday, February twenty-eight
Is Sisterhood's Birthday Party.
Featuring hats large and small
For spring, summer, winter, fall
At Sisterhood's Birthday Party
Laughs and prizes galore
Food, fun and lots more
At Sisterhood's Birthday Party
This is the last call
Come one and all
To Sisterhood's Birthday Party.

UJA Campaign Begun by Sisterhood

The Sisterhood will begin its great humanitarian work for Jews all over the world through U.J.A.. by a workers' meeting on March 8th. Mrs. Arthur Morse, chairman, has announced that her capable and generous co-chairman, Mrs. Benjamin Sack, is having this opening meeting in the form of a luncheon at her home.

The Women's campaign officially opens on March 1st with a tremendous rally at the Waldorf Astoria. Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt will again lend inspiration to all the women who give their time and effort so generously to this wonderful work.

The names of the members of the 1950 Sisterhood U.J.A. Committee will appear in the next issue of the BULLETIN. as well as the names of those of its members who are top leaders in the Women's Division of the United Jewish Appeal.

Sisterhood looks forward to maintaining its position as the outstanding Sisterhood group in New York. Won't you help them?

Birth

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Max Zahler on the birth of their grandson.

Anniversaries

Our very best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Weill who celebrated their fifty-ninth wedding anniversary on January 4th. Best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Philip Freidman who will celebrate their fifth wedding anniversary on March 4th. Also our best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Friedman who will celebrate their forty-fifth weding anniversary on March 6th.

Adult Education Courses Continue

On Monday evening, February 27th at 9:00 p.m. Rabbi Noveck will continue his series on "The Rabbinic Age" with a lecture on "Social Philosophy of the *Talmud*." He will discuss the Status of Women in Talmudic times, and the attitude towards the family, marriage, divorce, and polygamy.

Preceding this course, at 8:00 P.M. the same evening, Professor Salomon will conclude his series of lectures on "Sociology and Religion." As the last of a group of four lectures, he will discuss the "Renascence of Religion" and our contemporary situation.

"Jewish View of Jesus"

During the following Monday evening, March 6th, at 9:00 p.m., Rabbi Noveck will deliver the first of a series of two lectures on "The Jewish View of Jesus and the Influence of Paul on the Rise of Christianity." The life story of the Nazarene from the standpoint of Jewish scholarship will be the topic of the evening. His views will be contrasted with the theology of the *Talmud*.

The Hebrew courses and the course in Jewish music, under the direction of Cantor David Putteruan, are still going on.

Refreshments are served at the end of each session, to give everyone present a chance to meet socially.

Parents' Association Plans Game Night

On Sunday evening. March 26th, the Parents' Association will sponsor a Night of Games. Those who attended last year's card party will remember what an enjoyable time everyone had. This year's party promises to be even more fun. There will be all sorts of card games, door prizes, refreshments and an opportunity to spend a social evening with your friends.

Assisting Mrs. Joseph Janovic, chairman. are: Mrs. J. Hoexter. Chairman of Hospitality: Mrs. I. E. Gevirtz and Mrs. H. Howe, Chairmen of Prizes, and Mrs. T. Reichman. Chairman of Games.

Please reserve the date—March 26th —and join us for a festive, gala evening.

With Our Youth

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tions are being made to insure the success of this affair.

College Seminar

One of the latest organizations to be added to our Synagogue family is that of the College Seminar group which meets regularly every other Sunday morning in the Board of Trustees Room of the Synagogue under the personal direction of Rabbi Noveck. Thus far twelve students all attending local colleges or recently graduated, have enrolled in the course. "The Contemporary Jew and the Modern World" has been chosen as the theme for the rest of this year. Discussions have been held on such topics as "The American Jew—Race, Nationality or Religion?" and "Modern Programs for Jewish Survival."

Sons and daughters of members of the Congregation and their friends are invited to attend these sessions which aim to provide an opportunity for college and post graduate youth to work out an integration between their college studies and their Jewish orientation. Those desiring further information should get in touch with Rabbi Noveck.

The Junior League

The Junior League is holding its Annual *Purim* Dance on Sunday, Feb. 26th from 3:00 to 6:30 P.M. All are invited to dance to the music of Jeno Bartel and his Orchestra. Donation is $1.50.

Young Marrieds A

At the last meeting of the Young Marrieds A held in the home of the parents of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Cohen, Dr. M. Ostow was the guest speaker. His theme for the evening was "Religion and Psychiatry." At the March and April meetings Rabbi Milton Steinberg has consented to speak on the themes "How to Teach the God Idea to Children" and "Jewish Observances in the Home."

Young Marrieds B

At the last meeting of the Young Marrieds B held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Oppenheimer. Rabbi Simon Noveck was the guest speaker on the theme "Is There a Future for Judaism in America?" At the March meeting of the group Cantor David Putterman will be the guest lecturer on the theme of Jewish Music.

Notice To All Bulletin Readers

The Editor and Staff of the BULLETIN wish to announce the long and anxiously awaited birth (just in time for release by the press) of Martin Sanford Roher, son of Helen and Murray Roher. Martin's mother is a member of the BULLETIN staff,

Religious School Holds Purim Carnival

The Religious School will hold its annual *Purim* celebration on Sunday morning, March 5th. The Vestry will be gaily decorated with booths and the latest *Purim* fashions.

A feature attraction of the morning will be a costume parade at which time, after much deliberation, prizes will be awarded for the best costumes, most original, and the best boy's and girl's garb.

Each class will have a booth for different games and prizes will be given.

There will be prizes and fun galore for everyone.

Women To Visit U. N.

The Sisterhood's United Nations Trip is scheduled for Tuesday, March 21st in place of the regular monthly meeting. They will arrive at the United Nations in time for lunch. After that they will follow the regular afternoon program. Please watch for all details in the next BULLETIN.

Mrs. Frank E. Cross is in charge of the day.

Music Festival

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ican, British, French and Spanish editions, with a Hebrew translation forthcoming.

The final composition to be rendered will be *Oz Yashir* by Professor S. Rosowsky. He will personally conduct this first performance of his most recent work, Professor Rosowsky here on a visit from Jerusalem is considered one of the world's foremost musicologists, lecturers and scholars.

A special *Oneg Shabbat* will take place in the Vestry at the conclusion of the evening's program.

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sible for families to worship as units on the High Holydays. Very much, I concede, is lost of domestic solidarity and Jewish emotional rootedness. But there is a simpler solution to this problem than building a vast new Synagogue. All that is required is that the Board of Trustees instruct the Membership Committee to give member-parents of children who have grown up in our midst some regularized form of priority under the system of seat assignment now in use.

It was Henri Bergson who pointed out that "one can always reason with reason." It is, of course, possible for us to go on debating forever the comparative merits of the plans which have so far been proposed and, since the human imagination is infinitely fecund, of others that may and doubtless will be conceived.

But facts are facts. Our need for an enlarged plant is one such fact. That the Greenstein plan satisfies all our basic needs practicably, economically, directly is still another. That it is commended not only by its own advantages but by the disadvantages of all alternatives is a third. The three together make an irrestible case. Let us then gird up our loins and get to work.

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Junior League Plans Informal Evening

Another "Informal Evening" has been scheduled by the Junior League for Sunday, March 12th, at 8:30 p.m. Miss Helen Rothschild and Dr. Max Scharmett are the chairmen; and the donation of $1.25 will be used to further the charitable activities of the organization.

Rabbi Steinberg to Address Meeting

On Sunday evenin, March 19th, the Junior League will play the host group, reciprocating for a recent visit to the Society for the Advancement of Judaism, when the Youth Division of the SAJ attends a joint meeting at our Synagogue. Miss Anne Stern, chairman of the program, announces that Rabbi Steinberg will address the gathering, which is for members of the two groups only.

Quite a number of the Leaguers are planning to attend the National Convention of the Young People's League of the United Synagogue of America being held this year, the weekend of March 24, 25, 26, at the Concord Hotel.

Sisterhood Visits United Nations

United Nations Day for the Sisterhood will take place on Tuesday, March 21st, in place of the regular monthly meeting. Sisterhood members and their friends will meet at 11:00 a.m. in front of the Park Avenue Synagogue, where a chartered bus will take them to Lake Success. Upon arrival they will have lunch and then attend an afternoon session at the United Nations.

The price of a round trip to the United Nations and back to New York City will be about $1.00 per person.

Mrs. Frank E. Cross, 115 East 92 Street is in charge of the day. For definite reservations you may call her at Sa 2-4085.

Adult Education Program Ending

Rabbi Noveck to speak on "The Jewish View of Jesus"

On Monday evening March 13th, an unusually successful Adult Education program for the 1949-1950 season will draw to a close.

At that time Rabbi Noveck will conclude his series on "The Rabbinic Age" with a lecture on "Saul of Tarsus and The Rise of Christianity". He will discuss the Greek-Roman and Jewish influences in Saul's upbringing, his missionary activity among the Gentiles, his break with Jewish law and his abrogation of Jewish nationalism. Paul, the organizer of the Christian Church and his ethical and social teachings will also be discussed at this session.

Year's Program Reviewed

In November, 1949, a successful program of lectures and courses was inaugurated under the stimulating instruction of Rabbi Simon Noveck who gave seven lectures on the Prophets. The total lectures were attended by 840 persons, or an average of 120 per lecture.

The committee reported a great interest in the three Hebrew courses given in the Synagogue, as well as in the course on Jewish music conducted by Cantor David Putterman.

The midwinter and spring program of 1950 started with a tremendous outpouring of an enthusiastic audience that almost burst the seams of the vestry. Rabbi Steinberg initiated a series of four lectures beginning January 9th on "New Currents in Religious Thought". An average attendance of 400 persons was recorded for each evening's lecture.

For the balance of the winter-spring series of lectures, Rabbi Noveck gave six lectures on "The Rabbinic Age", in addition to which there was a seminar on Sociology and Religion conducted by Professor Albert Salomon of the faculty of the Graduate School of the New School for Social Research, who, incidentally, is a member of the Adult Education Committee.

Parents' Association Game Night, March 26

The annual social function of the Parents' Association is the best "buy" of the year. Each ticket will provide: cards, score pads for your favorite game; partners and friendly opponents, if you do not bring your own; novelty games; an opportunity to capture one of the valuable door prizes; superior refreshments and an evening of rare sociability.

Join the other parents in the vestry on Sunday evening, March 26th, with or without your own personal friends. Even if you forgot to send your check to Mrs. Joseph Janovic, you will be warmly welcomed at the door on "The Night of Games".

Assisting the chairman, Mrs. Janovic, are Mrs. J. Hoexter, Chairman of Hospitality, Mrs. I. E. Gevirtz and Mrs. H. Howe, Chairmen of Prizes, and Mrs. T. Reichman, Chairman of Games.

Religious School Presents Concert

On Saturday morning, March 4th, the choir of the Park Avenue Religious School presented a concert. This program was held in honor of *Purim*, and of Jewish Music Month. The program consisted of four selections of several types of Jewish Music.

The choir members are Eleanor Foa, Stanley Nemeroff, Edward Curtiss, Sandra Cohen, Doris Wimpfheimer, Marilyn Schneider, Cecily Falkenstein, Meryl Blau, Frederick Simon and Teddy Zucker.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday Eve....March 10, 8:30 p.m.
Rabbi Milton Steinberg will preach on
"Jewish Apostates and Converts in History and My Personal Experience"
(Second in a series of two)

Sabbath Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.

Daily Evening Worship..5:45 p.m.

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From The Desk of Rabbi Noveck

WHAT standards should be observed by our members in celebrating important events in their lives and in the lives of their families? Granted that we differ in our ritualistic observances, what is the minimum that should be expected of a Jewish family in arranging for a *Bar Mitzvah* party or a wedding celebration?

Rabbi Steinberg, Cantor Putterman and myself are working on just such a list of standards and minimum observances which we hope to send to the Congregation in the near future. Meanwhile, in this column I should like to quote from the "Rules of Etiquette for Religious Functions" drawn up by the New York Board of Rabbis a few years ago. These rules were worked out by a special committee consisting of Reform, Conservative, and Orthodox Rabbis and were circulated three times among the Rabbis of New York before they were finally adopted:

1. In keeping with the traditional custom, engaged couples should attend Synagogue Services together with the members of their families on the Sabbath preceding the wedding day. On this occasion the groom should be called to the *Torah*, where this custom is practiced, and the Rabbi should offer a special benediction for the couple. The prenuptial program of the couple should take cognizance of this tradition and keep this date free for attendance at the synagogue.

2. No secular songs or music should be rendered during the marriage ritual.

3. The Rabbi should be consulted regarding the music for the Processional and Recessional. Any music, if desired to accompany the Priestly Benediction or Prayer, should be drawn from traditional Jewish sources.

4. No photographs should be taken of the marriage ceremony during the conduct of the ritual. If any photographs are desired, they may be taken of the Processional or Recessional.

5. In consonance with the decorum and sanctity of the marriage ceremony, it is not proper to serve refreshments or beverages before the service.

6. It is improper to suggest to the Rabbi the abbreviation of the ritual. Any suggestion that Hebrew be omitted from the ritual is, of course, inacceptable. Every Rabbi is guided by the standards of approved Jewish tradition.

7. Under no circumstances may a wedding service be performed on the Sabbath or other prohibited days.

8. The religious spirit should predominate at the *Bar Mitzvah* celebration and festivity. The meal should begin with the traditional "*Hamotzi*," rendered preferably by the boy; and entertainment should be in consonance with the dignity and significance of the occasion. Decorum should be observed during the recitation of grace.

9. No ritualistic innovations without the Rabbi's authorization should be permitted at the *Bar Mitzvah* affairs.

There are many other areas where standards need to be set up. The problem of the kind of food that should be served at *Bar Mitzvah* parties, whether music should be allowed and if so of what kind, the question of smoking on the Sabbath all have to be considered. Legal decisions and synagogue procedures are properly the responsibility of the Rabbinate and the ritual committee. But the matter of minimum standards is dependent on the interest of all members of the synagogue. The dignity of Jewish life makes these problems of vital importance to us all.

SIMON NOVECK

Light the Sabbath Candles

Friday, March 10th.....5:35 p.m.
Friday, March 17th.....5:43 p.m.

Births

Congratulations to Mrs. Leon Lemle on the birth of twin grandchildren, and to Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Schott on the birth of their son, Steven George.

Bar Mitzvah

Congratulations to David A. Ruttenberg, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Ruttenberg who celebrated his *Bar Mitzvah* on March 4th; to Stephen David Brodsky, the son of Dr. and Mrs. Isaac B. Brodsky, whose *Bar Mitzvah* will be celebrated on March 11th and to L. David Zagar, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Irving Zagar, whose *Bar Mitzvah* will take place on March 18th.

Engagement

Congratulations to Mrs. Rose Blondheim on the engagement of her son Dr. Hillel Blondheim to Miss Syril Appleton.

Marriage

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. George Lyttle on the marriage of their daughter Joan Sylvia to Mr. Joseph Leon Birman.

Anniversaries

Our best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. David Hoexter who celebrate their fiftieth wedding anniversary on March 17th and to Mr. and Mrs. Isadore Heller on their fortieth anniversary to be celebrated March 20th.

Birthday

Happy birthday to Mrs. Tillie Heller who will be eighty-five years old on March 23rd.

College Seminar Group Outlines Program

The next meeting of the College Seminar Group will take place in the Board of Trustees room of the Synagogue on Sunday, March 12th, at 11 A.M. The subject of the discussion, to be led by Rabbi Noveck, will be "Conservative Judaism as a Program for Jewish Survival." Registration for the group has gone up to twenty students all attending local colleges, graduate schools, or professional schools.

Other subjects to be dealt with during coming sessions will include "Reconstructionism as a Program for Jewish Survival", "Can Anti-Semitism be overcome in America", "The Future of the Zionist Movement in America."

Sons and daughters of members of our congregation and their friends are eligible to attend the group which meets every other Sunday under the direction of Rabbi Noveck.

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deeply we mourn
the loss of our beloved

Rabbi Milton Steinberg

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Annual Music Service To Be Held May 19

The Eighth Annual Sabbath Eve Service of New Liturgical Music this year will be held on Friday evening, May 19th at 8:30 P.M.

We shall be extremely privileged in presenting the world premiere performance of a Sacred Service for the Sabbath Eve composed by the internationally renowned composer Mario Castelnuovo-Tedesco.

It will be performed by Cantor David J. Putterman and an enlarged Synagogue Choir, directed by Max Helfman with Isidor Geller at the organ. The program this year will be dedicated to the blessed and revered memory of our beloved teacher and friend Rabbi Milton Steinberg and is presented under the auspices of our Committee on Adult Education.

Please write to the Synagogue office for complimentary tickets for admission.

Dr. M. Kaplan To Speak at Men's Club

The next meeting of the Men's Club will take place on Tuesday evening, May 2, at 8:15 P.M. This will mark the closing meeting of the season. The election and induction of new officers will take place. Mr. Benjamin Sack, the Chairman of our Board of Trustees, will act as inducting officer.

The following names were chosen by the Nominating Committee:

President....Joseph Howard Katz
First Vice-President
Archie I. Thurman
Second Vice-President
Harold R. Starkman
Treasurer....Lawrence A. Meyers
Recording Secretary..Henry Koch
Corr. Secretary.Robert S. Hoffman

As our guest speaker, the Men's Club is proud to present Dr. Mordecai M. Kaplan, who will speak on "Milton Steinberg's Contribution to Reconstructionism."

All men are invited to attend.

Plan Rabbi Steinberg Memorial Service

Reserve Sunday evening, May 14th for a special Memorial Service which will be held for our beloved teacher and friend Rabbi Milton Steinberg. Details will appear in the next issue of the *Bulletin*.

Sisterhood To Induct New Officers May 16

At an open meeting held on Tuesday, April 11, the following slate of officers for the year 1950-51 was read and approved.

Chaplain.....Mrs. Harold Levin
President...Mrs. Samuel Wimpfheimer
1st Vice-President..Mrs. Samuel Gellert
2nd Vice-President
Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer
3rd Vice-President
Mrs. Abraham Gotterer
4th Vice-President...Mrs. I. E. Gevirtz
Recording Secretary
Mrs. Sigmund Siegel
Corresponding Secretary
Mrs. Carrie Manheimer
Treasurer.....Mrs. William Karmiol

The new board members are Mrs. Sanford Cohen, Mrs. Harry Sockolow, Mrs. Louis Stitch, Mrs. Arthur Morse, Mrs. Saul Granitz.

Rabbi Noveck to Participate

Sisterhood's next open meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 16 at 1:00 P.M. when Rabbi Noveck will install the new officers. Mrs. Irwin Rome and Mrs. Sigmund Siegel, co-chairmen of the day, have arranged an enjoyable afternoon. There will be entertainment and refreshments will be served, so please come and bring your friends.

Sisterhood members look forward to a successful season during which they will hold their Fifty-fifth Anniversary Luncheon on December 11th under the chairmanship of Mrs. I. E. Gevirtz.

Congregation Invited To Junior Service

On Saturday morning, May 6th at 11:00 a.m. the Junior Congregation will conduct its regular Sabbath morning services in the Vestry of the Synagogue.

Now Junior Congregation Services are an integral part of the Religious School curriculum. The members of the Synagogue, the School Board and the parents of our children will be given an opportunity to observe the service as it is developing in our school. In past years there was an attempt by our students to conduct the regular Sabbath services for the entire Congregation. However, Junior Congregation services are now being conducted by the members of the congregation.

Until last month, the teachers conducted services with student participation and asistance. At present, the students have taken over the entire service with the exception of the reading of the Torah.

For this reason the Congregation is asked to set aside Saturday morning, May 6th to join the Religious School in its worship.

New Appointments Announced

Mr. Benjamin Sack, Chairman, Board of Trustees, has announced the following appointments for the year 1950. Mr. Archie Thurman, is now Chairman of Ritual Committee, and Mr. Kassel Lewis has become a member of that committee.

The Building Committee, considering the proposed addition to the Synagogue property, is now composed of the following members: Mr. Saul Godwin, Chairman, Mr. Benjamin Bernstein, Judge Bernard Botein, Mr. Abraham N. Geller, Mr. Robert Greenstein, Mr. Saul Horowitz, Mr. Joseph Howard Katz, Mr. Edward Kaye, Mr. Sandor Mark, Mr. Mortimer D. Millheiser, Mr. Arthur Ochs, Mr. and Mrs. Israel B. Oseas, Mr. Lawrence Schact, and Mr. Milton Weill.

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From The Desk of The Principal

THE educational program of the Synagogue has made steady advances throughout the year. We have built an educational ladder beginning at the age of six and extending through the adult life of our congregants. In the upper rungs of the ladder there has been instituted a series of varied and enriched courses, appealing to the teen-ager, the college student, the young marrieds and their parents. Most recently we have added a Saturday afternoon study group.

However, in the lower rungs of our ladder a major difficulty facing our program is that few grasp the opportunity offered to those at the age of six. Too often, parents, who control the educational destiny of their children, delay the initial step on our ladder and then try to grasp at one of the middle rungs when the youngster is eleven, twelve or even sometimes a few months before *Bar Mitzvah.* This group of parents suddenly discovers that *Bar Mitzvah* is not possible in the Park Avenue Synagogue for a boy unless he has had a minimum of three years of instruction in our Hebrew School and has prepared well enough to pass a pre-*Bar Mitzvah* written examination.

The youngster who begins his religious education at the age of six enjoys many advantages. He starts his schooling with children who are his own age. He is not as yet burdened by the secular school homework which grows in the latter years of his education. His Jewish education becomes an orderly and normal process.

Light the Sabbath Candles

Friday, April 28th.....6:26 p.m.
Friday, May 5th.....6:34 p.m.

The parent who provides early religious education for his child, fulfills his obligation in providing his youngster with "the spiritual security they need for a wholesome life"; with a "sense of belonging to their family and the Jewish community"; and with the strength and understanding that will prevent "spiritual estrangement from yourself and your traditions."

The school will have the oportunity to teach your child so that he may be fully cognizant of the rich cultural heritage of the Jewish people which has sustained them these two thoutsand years and has brought to fruition the State of Israel. Rabbi Steinberg, in seeking the answer to the riddle of the survival of Judaism through the ages, said in "The Making of the Modern Jew", "The persecutor might torture Jews, might rob and despoil them of every object they called their own, he could not take from them the rich tradition which was theirs by the right of inheritance. Through all shifts of time and circumstance, this alone was constant; through incessant confiscations, this remained inexpropriable."

Do not deprive your child of his inheritance. Begin his Jewish education at the age of six by enrolling him in the Primary School which meets on Sunday mornings. With a good start on this first rung of our educational ladder, he will, with interest and ease, climb through Religious School with its instruction in Hebrew, history, customs and ceremonies and active service. And, you, the parent, will enjoy your child's enthusiasm as he gains new knowledge and begins to participate in the Jewish life at home and the community.

I, therefore, welcome this opportunity to invite you to come to the Religious School office today or any day after 4:00 P.M. to enroll your child for the school year beginning in September, 1950.

—MARTIN LEICHTLING

BIRTHS

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Cohen on the birth of their daughter, Amy Phyllis, also to the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Sanford H. Cohen; to Mr. and Mrs. Milton Prigoff on the birth of their son, also to the grandparents, Judge and Mrs. Abram A. Lebson; to Mr. and Mrs. Jules Dubrowin and Mr. and Mrs. George Lyttle on becoming grandparents; to Mrs. Gertrude Barish on becoming a great-grandmother.

BAR MITZVAHS

Congratulations to Alfred Taurig, David Steinberg, Jeremiah Ostriker, Reginald J. Lorant and Michael Herzfeld who celebrated their *Bar Mitzvah* in the past month.

ENGAGEMENT

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Harold S. Levine on the engagement of their son Herbert to Miss Zelda Ruth Kleinfeld.

MARRIAGES

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Saul Horowitz upon the marriage of their son Lt. Saul Horowitz, Jr.

Our best wishes to Dr. and Mrs. Harold Osserman on the marriage of their son George to Miss Nancy Moses.

ANNIVERSARIES

Our best wishes to Dr. and Mrs. Erich Siegel on their 30th anniversary celebrated on April 15th; to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Stein who celebrate their 30th wedding anniversary on May 5th.

BIRTHDAY

Happy birthday to Mrs. Frieda Davidson on her 80th birthday to be celebrated April 29.

CONDOLENCES

Our sympathy is extended to Mr. Leopold Klein on the loss of his wife Harriet; to Mrs. Israel B. Oseas on the loss of her father Mr. David H. Nathanson; to Mrs. Stanley Simon on the loss of her father; to Mr. Max Strauss on the loss of his wife and to Judge Isidore Wasservogel on the loss of his wife Dorothy.

William Meyerowitz, one of the foremost Jewish artists, will exhibit a number of his current paintings at the American British Art Gallery, 122 East 55th Street, New York City, from April 18th through May 6th. Among the featured paintings is "My Heritage", an unusual painting on distinctly Jewish themes. Admission is free.

Junior League Dance And Meeting Planned

On Sunday evening, April 30th, the Junior League has invited Rabbi Saul Kraft to speak and lead a discussion on the topic "Jewish Values and Valueless Jews." Rabbi Kraft, an army chaplain during the war, is now the Director of Hillel at Adelphi College. Miss Beulah Kaplan and Mr. Richard Kohn are co-chairmen for the evening and report that those who have heard Rabbi Kraft in the past assure all that he is an entertaining as well as worthwhile speaker. A donation of $1.00 will be requested for admission.

Charities to Benefit

The next dance being sponsored by the Junior League will be held on Sunday afternoon, May 7th, in the Synagogue Vestry. According to the chairmen, Miss Judith Siegel and Mr. Murray Tarragano, Jeno Bartel and his orchestra will again provide the music, and a $1.50 donation will admit one. The proceeds of both functions will be used for philanthropic purposes of the group.

Synagogue Council To Be Formed

Formation of a Synagogue Council, with representatives of all the affiliated groups of the Congregation, will take place on Thursday evening, May 4th, at 8:30 P.M., in the Board of Trustees Room.

This meeting is being called by Rabbi Noveck to provide a vehicle for the integration of the program and activities of the various groups of the Congregation, and to provide an opportunity to plan together programs for next year. The Council will attempt to eliminate conflicts and duplication in programming among the various groups.

The President and Program Chairman of the following affiliated groups have indicated their intention of participating in the formation of the Council: Men's Club, Sisterhood, Parents' Association, Adult Education Committee, Young Marrieds "A", Young Marrieds "B", College Seminar, and the Junior League.

Mrs. A. Edelman Makes Torah Covers Available

Three *Torah* covers prepared by Mrs. Anna Edelman in blue velvet for festivals, are now available to any member of the Congregation who may wish to dedicate one of them in honor of some person in their family or to the memory of some deceased parent or grandparent. These *Torah* covers are part of a set which include a beautiful *Poroches* or curtain for the Ark, and an altar cloth to be dedicated to the memory of Rabbi Milton Steinberg.

Proceeds to Youth Aliyah

The work and the material have all been donated by Mrs. Edelman, who prepared two other sets in the past for the Congregation. A considerable sum of money has already been donated to Youth *Aliyah* for this newest addition to our Synagogue decorations. One of the pulpit covers is to be dedicated to the memory of Joyce Lieberman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Lieberman of the Congregation.

For further information on how to dedicate the *Torah* covers now available, please call Rabbi Noveck or Cantor Putterman.

Rabbi Zimet To Visit Parents' Association

The next meeting of the Parents' Association will be held on Wednesday evening, May 17th, 1950 at 8:30 o'clock in the Vestry. In addition to the election of officers for the ensuing year, a very interesting program has been arranged.

Cantor Putterman and several young men will render Jewish songs to illustrate the charm of singing in the home. This will be a rare opportunity for the audience to hear songs suitable for family singing.

Rabbi Zimet, formerly the Associate Rabbi at the Park Avenue Synagogue, will speak on his "Recollections of Rabbi Milton Steinberg."

A large attendance is expected, as this meeting will mark the fifth anniversary of the Parents' Association. Be sure to reserve this date, May 17th, and plan to join us. Of course, refreshments will be served, and you will have a chance to greet your friends.

Mrs. A. Morse Heads Sisterhood U.J.A. Drive

Mrs. Arthur Morse, chairman of the United Jewish Appeal drive for the Sisterhood of the Park Avenue Synagogue announces that the following women are members of the 1950 committee:

Mrs. Herman D. Baskind
Mrs. I. B. Brodsky
Mrs. Bernard Botein
Mrs. Sanford Cohen
Mrs. Joseph S. Druss
Mrs. Morris Edelman
Mrs. K. S. Falk
Mrs. Mack Fieber
Mrs. Abraham Geller
Mrs. Samuel Gellert
Mrs. William Goldman
Mrs. Abraham Gotterer
Mrs. Louis Grossman
Mrs. Milton Heller
Mrs. Jacob Klein
Mrs. Samuel Lerer
Mrs. Mitchell Leventhal
Miss Jo Levy
Mrs. Benjamin Loscher
Mrs. Morry Luxemberg
Mrs. Sidney Mishkin
Mrs. Oscar Meierfeld
Mrs. Arthur Ochs
Mrs. Harold Osserman
Mrs. Tubie Resnick
Mrs. Irwin Rome
Mrs. Shy Rosen
Mrs. M. N. Rubenstein
Mrs. Aaron Schoenbaum
Mrs. Harold P. Seligson
Mrs. Sigmund M. Siegel
Mrs. Milton M. Sivek
Mrs. Moe Turman
Mrs. Louis I. Weinberger
Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer

The Sisterhood may well be proud of the following members who are top leaders in the Women's Division of the United Jewish Appeal for 1950:

Mrs. Louis Grossman—Associate Chairman of Women's Division of Greater New York.

Mrs. Abraham Geller—Chairman of the Advisory Board.

Mrs. I. B. Brodsky—Chairman of Manhattan Organizations.

Mrs. Harold Osserman—Co-Chairman of Projects.

Mrs. Sigmund M. Seigel—Chairman of Treasury Gifts.

Mrs. K. S. Falk—member of city-wide Advisory Council.

Sisterhood Helps At Welfare Parties

On Tuesday, April 25 the Sisterhood held its Spring Party at the Old Folks Home for the Blind. Among those of our members who entertained, were Sally Ullmann, accompanied by Gertrude Block at the piano. They were enthusiastically received by the large audience at the Home.

Our most hospitable committee, headed by Irma Heller, who made all the arrangements for the day, brought cigarcttes and candy for the men and women.

The Sisterhood Party at Welfare Island will take place on Thursday, May 18, when Mrs. Botein Bernstein will be in charge of the day. We will meet at the Synagogue at 12:15 or at the ferry to Welfare Island (east end of 79th Street) at 12:30. Everyone is urged to come and bring goodies for the men. Please call Mrs. Bernstein (TR 7-2947) for any further information.

Religious School Holds Extra Activities

On Sunday, May 28th, the Religious School Choir will participate in an Inter-school Jewish Music Spring Festival which will be held at Hunter College under the direction of Mr. Harry Coopersmith, Director of Music of the Jewish Education Committee.

The members of the choir are Cecily Falkenstein, Marilyn Schneider, Frederick Simon, Edward Curtis, Teddy Zucker, Stanley Nemeroff, Merle Blau, Judy Geller, Eleanor Foa, Sandra Cohen and Doris Wimpfheimer.

They are preparing for this appearance with the help of their music teacher, Mrs. Alice Jackson.

Junior Congregation Afternoon

On Sunday, April 23rd, at 2:00 P.M. the Synagogue Council of the Junior Congregation presented an afternoon of movies and refreshments for the members of the Congregation.

The feature movies were "Homecoming 1949" and "Memorandum on Victory," two films describing the problems of the new state of Israel. Color cartoons were also shown.

Admission was for ticket-holding members of the Junior Congregation.

Morbus Sabbatticus

A peculiar Friday night sickness which is disturbing the medical profession was explained in the Bulletin of a Philadelphia synagogue.

Called *morbus sabatticus,* the illness is prevalent among synagogue members, and returns every seventh day. There is no suggestion of the disease until Friday night, the article declares, and without the least difficulty it can be developed very quickly.

Declaring that the symptoms vary, the article says the disease never interferes with the appetite. It never lasts more than twenty-four hours, and often much less. It is never necessary to call a physician, yet it is very contagious.

No symptoms are felt on Friday morning, but the attack comes on suddenly and after a hearty dinner. About seven or eight o'clock the attack comes on, and usually lasts until about ten o'clock. And by that time the synagogue service is ended, the patient is very much improved, and is able to rush out of the house and join his other sick friends.

The aftermath is that on Saturday night the patient, who is subject to Friday sickness, is out of the house early in the evening, going out to a party or theatre with the usual interest and pep.

This strange disease has proven very much of an epidemic. In nearly every home there will be one or more cases every Friday night.

The article concludes with the question: "How do you feel?"

Mr. Joseph Katz To Be Honored

The President of our Men's Club, Mr. Joseph Howard Katz, is honored by the National Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs in having been chosen as the National Co-Chairman of the Mid-Century Convention. This convention is taking place from May 11 to May 14 at the Hotel Concord in Lake Kiamesha, N. Y.

This year it is expected that upwards of 1,000 people will attend the convention and that the National Laymen's Institute will be conducted in conjunction with the convention. Several nationally known lecturers will conduct the Institute.

All members of the Men's Club and friends of the Congregation are invited to attend the convention.

SISTERHOOD U. N. TRIP

Monday, May 8th, Sisterhood will take a trip to the United Nations. All those who have made reservations are asked to meet at the Synagogue at 10:45.

Mrs. Frank E. Cross is in charge of all arrangements. Please contact her for any further details.

Young Marrieds Group Invites New Members

All young married couples between the ages of 20 and 35 are invited to attend the next meeting of Young Marrieds Group A on Tuesday evening, May 9th. This meeting will be held at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Raymond Schneider, 101 Central Park West, Manhattan.

Rabbi Jacob Cohen of the Reconstructionist Foundation will address the group and lead a discussion on the Reconstruction Movement. If you plan to attend, please drop a line to the Schneiders.

At the last meeting of this group, held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Finkelstein, Dr. Marvin G. Robinson was elected president of the group, and Murray Roher, program chairman.

The Confirmation Class was the guest of the Society for the Advancement of Judaism on Sunday afternoon, April 16.

This social gathering, which included movies, dinner and dancing, enabled the Confirmation Class of the SAJ to return the hospitality shown them by the Park Avenue Synagogue group earlier in the season.

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Musical and Memorial Services Planned To Honor Rabbi Milton Steinberg

World Premiere of Sabbath Service by Castelnuovo-Tedesco to be Presented May 19th

The Eighth Annual Service of New Liturgical Music by Contemporary Composers, on Friday evening, May 19th at 8:30 o'clock, will this year consist of the World Premiere performance of a "Sacred Service for the Sabbath Eve" by the internationally renowned composer Mario Castelnuovo-Tedesco.

These annual services have steadily grown in stature and are accepted as a major musical event not only in our Synagogue, but in the realm of general music as well. It will be performed by Cantor David J. Putterman, assisted by an enlarged Synagogue Choir under the able direction of Mr. Max Helfman with Mr. Isidor Geller at the organ.

The program this year is dedicated to the blessed and revered memory of our beloved teacher and friend Rabbi Milton Steinberg.

Mario Castelnuovo-Tedesco was born on April 3, 1895 in Florence, Italy from an Italian Jewish family of Sephardic origin. He studied at the Royal Conservatory "Luigi Cherubim" of his native city, Piano with Del Valle and Composition with Ildebrando Pizzetti, of

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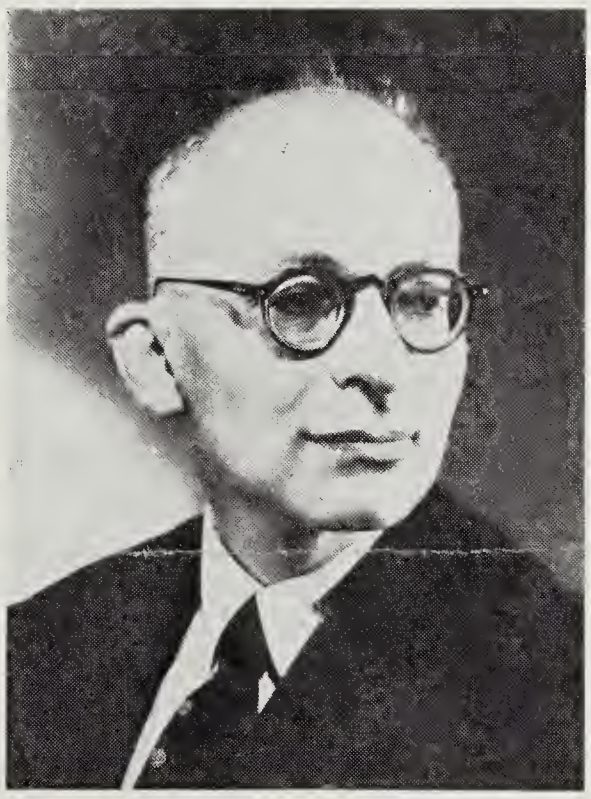
SABBATH SERVICES

Friday eve., May 12th, 8:30 p.m.
DR. D. PARKER, *Guest Speaker*
"The Inside Story of the Birth of Israel"

Friday eve., May 19th, 8:30 p.m.
EIGHTH ANNUAL SERVICE OF NEW LITURGICAL MUSIC



Mario Castelnuovo-Tedesco

SCHEDULE OF SHAVUOTH SERVICES

First evening.....Sunday, May 21st, 6:00 P.M.
First morning.....Monday, May 22nd, 9:30 A.M.

CONFIRMATION SERVICE

Second evening.....Monday, May 22nd, 6:00 P.P.
Second morning.....Tuesday, May 23rd, 9:30 A.M.

YISKOR (MEMORIAL) SERVICE

Rabbi Simon Noveck will deliver the sermons

Tributes to Be Rendered by Congregants and Community May 14th

The special memorial service in memory of our beloved teacher and friend, Rabbi Milton Steinberg, will take place this Sunday evening, May 14th, at 8:30 p.m. in the Synagogue.

Speaking on behalf of the congregation, Dr. E. D. Friedman will evaluate the role and the contributions of Milton Steinberg as a rabbi and a teacher.

Arthur Cohen, son of Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Cohen, is flying in from Chicago where he is now studying, in order to speak on Rabbi Steinberg's influence on Jewish youth.

The impact of Rabbi Steinberg's writings and teachings on the American Jewish Community will be discussed by Rabbi Philip Bernstein of Rochester, New York, former advisor on Jewish affairs in Germany to General Clay and a first cousin of Rabbi Steinberg.

Mr. Milton Weill of the Board of Trustees will take as his theme "A Living Memorial to Milton Steinberg" and will present to the Congregation plans for a permanent memorial to our departed rabbi.

Rabbi Simon Noveck will be chairman of the evening and appropriate musical selections will be rendered by Cantor David Putterman and the Synagogue choir.

The memorial service will also include the dedication of a *paroches* (curtain for the ark) made by Mrs. Anna Edelman in memory of Rabbi Steinberg.

The last late Friday Evening Service will take place on May 19th. Rabbi Noveck and Cantor Putterman will continue to conduct services through the month of June. Friday Evening Services will be held at 6 P.M. each week. During July and August the services will be conducted by Sanford Hahn, a student of the Jewish Theological Seminary.

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From The Desk of Rabbi Noveck

THE next ten days will witness a very busy period in the life of our Congregation. After the usual round of services and classes on the weekend, we shall hold a special Memorial Service on Sunday evening for our beloved teacher and friend, Rabbi Milton Steinberg. On Tuesday, Sisterhood holds its installation of officers and marks the beginning of a new year. On Wednesday the Parents' Association will induct its officers and present a special program featuring Rabbi Zimet and Cantor Putterman. On Friday evening Cantor Putterman holds his now famous annual service of new liturgical music. Sunday night, May 21st, marks the beginning of the Festival of *Shavouth* with Confirmation on Monday and the *Yiskor* services on Tuesday. In addition, during this period, the Adult Education Committee will formulate its plans for the coming year and the newly organized Synagogue Council will begin its work of integration and planning.

I call all of this to your attention because equally important with the Memorial Service and the permanent Memorial to be erected to the memory of our departed leader, is the continuance of the tradition and activities that was so dear to him. It is very important that we complete our formal religious season by attending as many of these activities and services as we possibly can.

To those of you that will be away from the city during the summer, may I take this opportunity of wishing you a healthy and a happy vacation. To those of you that will be in the city, I shall welcome the opportunity to become better acquainted with you. To all of you, may I ask that if you have any suggestions in regard to the activities, classes or services in our Congregation, that you write me with complete frankness and candor. Your suggestions will help me in my preparations during the summer and will encourage me to face the year of challenge which lies ahead of us.

SIMON NOVECK.

Light the Sabbath Candles

Friday, May 12th.....6:41 p.m.
Friday, May 19th.....6:48 p.m.

"Respice and Prospice"

This is the last issue of the current series of BULLETIN. We hope that you have enjoyed reading it even half as much as we have had a good time in putting it out. It has not been an easy job, but we have always felt that the effort was worth it. And, if in any way BULLETIN has helped to bind Synagogue organizations closer together, and to give wider coverage to their many activities, we have performed our basic function.

But there is one problem which we have had to face, along with any other activity in this congregation, or in any other place where groups get together. *There aren't enough people to do the work that has to be done,* so that BULLETIN can be an even better paper in the future than it has been in the year just gone by. To hold our ground at this stage of the game means that we are moving backwards. We must have your very active cooperation and support if you think that a Synagogue newspaper is an important aspect of its work. *Can we count on you for next year?*

Thanks once again.

—THE STAFF

SCHOOL NEWS

Now that pleasant Spring weather is approaching, it is essential that parents urge their children to complete the work of the school year. Although the after-school temptations of baseball and the bicycle may be great, it is important that the child learn that a task begun must be completed; that a successful school year cannot be achieved with several weeks of absence.

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The Religious School is, once again, cooperating with the Metropolitan Council of the United Synagogue in its program of Annual Awards for Congregational School students in the city. Members of our school will receive awards for Achievement, Attendance and Punctuality, and Junior Congregation Attendance. The names of award winners will be published in the first BULLETIN in September.

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Registration for the September term of the Primary School and the Religious School may be made any afternoon during May and June in the Religious School office.

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Primary School for ages 6 through 9 meets once a week on Sunday morning.

Religious School for ages 10 and up meets two afternoons a week and Saturday morning.

Do not delay! Register today!

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Closing exercises for the Primary School will take place on Sunday morning, May 28th in the Vestry of the Synagogue. The program will include the distribution of awards and presentation by the students of a culminating program of the year's activity and study.

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A theatre party for the students of Class 1, who have achieved fluency in the reading of Hebrew, was arranged for Sunday afternoon, May 7th.

Meryl Blau, Cecily Falkenstein, Marilyn Schneider, Larry Ackman, Stanley Gordon, Michael Rosenbloom and their teacher, Miss Sicherman attended a performance of "Brigadoon."

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Uniform city-wide examinations in Hebrew, Jewish Life and Customs and Ceremonies, sponsored by the Jewish Education Committee, will be given in June to Class 1 of the Religious School. These examinations will offer an opportunity to more accurately evaluate the achievements of our students.

Dr. D. Parker To Be Guest Speaker, May 12

Topic: "The Inside Story of the Birth of Israel"

On Friday evening, May 12th, Dr. Daniel Parker, from the Department of Political Science of the College of the City of New York, will address the Congregation on the theme, "The Inside Story of the Birth of Israel." Dr. Parker is at present engaged in writing a volume on the "Political and Economic Philosophy of Harry S. Truman" which will be published this summer by Knopf and Sons.

"Behind the Scenes" Information

In the preparation of this volume, Dr. Parker has had three long interviews with President Truman, has met with Secretary of State, Dean Acheson, members of the Supreme Court and each member of the President's Cabinet. He has spent two weeks in the home of Eddie Jacobson in Kansas City.

He brings us some behind-the-scene pictures of contemporary power politics and some unknown information on the relation of the United States to the beginning of the Jewish State.

Annual Music Service

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whom he became the favorite pupil. At twenty, he was already a well known composer and started on a career of uninterrupted successes. He has written for practically every medium.

In 1939, due to the political conditions and to the anti-Semitic trends of the Fascist government, he emigrated to the United States, where he has lived since. Among his works of Jewish inspiration are two Piano Suites, The Dances of King David and Chorals on Hebrew Melodies, the 2nd Violin Concerto "The Prophets" (written for Jascha Heifetz, who first performed it with the New York Philharmonic, under the direction of Arturo Toscanini in 1934) and, for the Synagogue, a *Lecho Dodi* (first performed at the Park Avenue Synagogue in 1943), a *Kol Nidre*, and a Sacred Service for the Sabbath Eve. Recently he has completed a Biblical Oratorio based on "The Book of Ruth."

CONFIRMATION CEREMONY TO BE PART OF SHAVUOTH SERVICE, MAY 22nd

On Monday morning, May 22nd, the first day of Shavuoth, at 9:30 o'clock fourteen students will be Confirmed. They are:

Aviva Bagg	Leda Feldman	Elizabeth Kaplan	Sylvia Schneider
Carol Bennet	Liese Greenhut	Jack Kaplan	Carl Seligson
Anne Ehrenthal	Susan Helpern	Peter Miller	Julia Washell
		Robert Rifkind	Charles Witte

The theme which the Confirmants adopted this year is "Our Literary Heritage." Each confirmant will participate in the Confirmation program.

Elizabeth Kaplan will discuss the contribution of the Bible to modern thought, dealing particularly with the books of Job and Ecclesiastes.

Robert Rifkind will have as his topic "Medieval Hebrew Literature", and will treat the philosophies of Jehuda Halevi and Moses Maimonides.

Sylvia Schneider will discuss modern Hebrew literature and will deal with three important writers of modern times: Chaim Nacham Bialik, Achad Ha'am and Milton Steinberg.

In addition, the introductions to the readings of the Torah and the Haftorah will be given by members of the Confirmation Class.

Each confirmant is studying with Rabbi Noveck, Cantor Putterman and Mr. Edwin Schoffman and each one has taken an examination on Jewish customs and ceremonies, Jewish history and the American Jewish Community.

The Bibles and diplomas will be awarded by Mrs. Victor J. Herwitz, who has been designated to represent the School Board.

Following the services there will be a special *Kiddush* for the entire Congregation, sponsored by the mothers of the Confirmation class.

Synagogue To Particate In National Survey

The Park Avenue Synagogue will participate in a National Survey being conducted by the United Synagogue in cooperation with the Bureau of Applied Social Research of Columbia University. The Survey, originally suggested by Rabbi Steinberg, will cover four main areas of Congregational activity, such as, Religious Services, Children's Jewish Education, Adult Jewish Education and Youth Work.

Statistics and Opinions to be Included

While one part of the Survey will deal with statistical data in these fields, opinions on the basic issues of Congregational life will be sought on a sampling basis from the rank and file membership of the Congregation.

A Survey Committee from the newly formed Synagogue Council will handle the mechanics of the inquiry and it will be carried out under all safeguards of complete anonymity. The results of the Survey will be reviewed at the forthcoming National Convention of the United Synagogue in Washington, D.C.

Bicycles Needed By Israeli Youth

As we go to press, word has reached us that there is an urgent call from Materials for Israel, Inc. for bicycles, new or used. This is the official agency for the shipment of material gifts to Israel. The bicycles should be in good running order for immediate shipment to the Israeli Youth Corps.

For further information, please call Mrs. Archie Thurman at At 9-0849. Mrs. Thurman is acting as chairman for the Park Avenue Synagogue.

Bar Mitzvah

Best wishes to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Weill on the *bar mitzvah* of their grandson, Allan, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Irving Weill.

Birthday

Many happy returns of the day to Mrs. Bertha Davidson who celebrated her 84th birthday on April 29th.

Death

Our sincere condolences to Mr. Samuel Allen on the loss of his mother.

Additions to Sisterhood Slate Announced

Mrs. Helen Wimpfheimer, recently elected President of the Sisterhood, has announced the following corrections in the slate of officers for the year 1950-1951: Assist. Financial Secretary, Mortimer Millheiser: Assist. Financial Secretary, Mrs. Louis Greenstein; Assist. Correspondence Secretary, Mrs. Marvin Spiegel.

Mrs. Saul Granetts will be in charge of publicity for the coming year.

Synagogue Council Holds Initial Meeting

On Thursday evening, May 4th, a group tentatively called the Synagogue Council met. There were eight groups represented—The Men's Club, the Sisterhood, the Parents' Association, the Junior League, the Adult Education Committee, Young Marrieds A, Young Marrieds B and College Seminar.

They plan to formulate a program which will, to some degree, blue-print the activities of all the Synagogue groups to make a more meaningful program for the Synagogue as a whole, both religiously, and educationally.

The Program Chairmen of all the groups will meet in the near future to discuss suggestions for programs, and on June 15th, the Council will meet again as a whole to discuss the problems and plans.

There was an excellent spirit shown by all the groups present and they seemed very enthusiastic about the new organization.

Donations Pledged For Paroches

The Paroches (curtain for the Ark) which was made by Mrs. Anna Edelman will be dedicated to the blessed and revered memory of Rabbi Milton Steinberg. For this purpose, contributions totaling $3150.00 have been made to Youth Aliyah.

Donations have already been received or pledged by Mrs. Benjamin Charnas, Mr. Isidor M. Cohen, Mrs. Samuel Derector, Mrs. Otto Kleppner, Mrs. Joseph I. Lubin, Mrs. Sidney Lurie, Mrs. Lester Tomback, and Mrs. Fred Wittner.

Parents' Association Marks 5th Anniversary

Program May 17th to Include Elections and Speaker

The final meeting of the Parents' Association will be held on Wednesday evening, May 17th at 8:30 p.m. This meeting which will mark the fifth anniversary of the Parents' Association will include the election of officers for the coming year.

Following is the slate of officers for the coming year, as presented by the Nominating Committee, Mrs. Abram Blau, Chairman. Before the vote, further nominations may be made from the meeting floor.

Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer. . President
Mrs. Joseph G. Druss. 1st Vice-President
Mr. A. Kurshon. . . . 2nd Vice-President
Mrs. I. E. Gevirtz. . . 3rd Vice-President
Mr. Bernard Weintraub. . . . . Treasurer
Mrs. N. Ruttenberg. Recording Secretary
Mrs. Meyer Kaplan
Corresponding Secretary
Mr. E. Kaye
Mrs. Milton Helpern } . . U.P.T.A. Reps.
Mrs. B. Foa. . . . Membership Chairman

Rabbi Zimet to Speak

In addition to the election an interesting program will be presented. Rabbi Zimet, formerly the Associate Rabbi at the Park Avenue Synagogue, will speak on his "Recollections of Rabbi Milton Steinberg."

Cantor Putterman and several young men will render Jewish songs to illustrate the charm of singing in the home. This will be a rare opportunity for the audience to hear songs suitable for family singing.

Refreshments will be served and you will have a chance to greet your friends.

Final College Social Held

The College Seminar group will hold its closing session on June 8th at 8:00 p.m. at the Synagogue. A combination social and cultural evening has been planned for its members and out-of-town college students who will be at home.

All college students or recent graduates are invited to attend this session which has been planned for them.

CORRECTION !

Mrs. Arthur Morse, chairman of the United Jewish Appeal drive for the Sisterhood has called a serious omission to our attention.

Mrs. Benjamin Sack has been acting as co-chairman of the drive since its inception. In omitting her name we did not mean to overlook the large part she has played in the success of the Sisterhood UJA campaign.

Junior League Closes Season With Elections

On the evening of Thursday, May 18th, the last informal discussion meeting of the winter-spring season will be conducted. During the evening various members of the group will talk about their vocations and spare time activities. This will be a continuation of a program series begun earlier in the season.

The Annual Meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 31st. At this time the group will elect the new officers for the coming season of 1950-51.

Summer Plans Announced

Activities of the summer schedule will be initiated by the yearly picnic, which will be held early in June. Future summer events will also include Lewisohn Stadium, plans to attend the Berkshire Festival toward the middle of the summer at Tanglewood, and the Labor Day Weekend Convention of the Young People's League of the United Synagogue of the America. The president of the Junior League, Louis Heller, will be co-chairman of the Weekend.

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"Religious Faith—Shadow and Substance"

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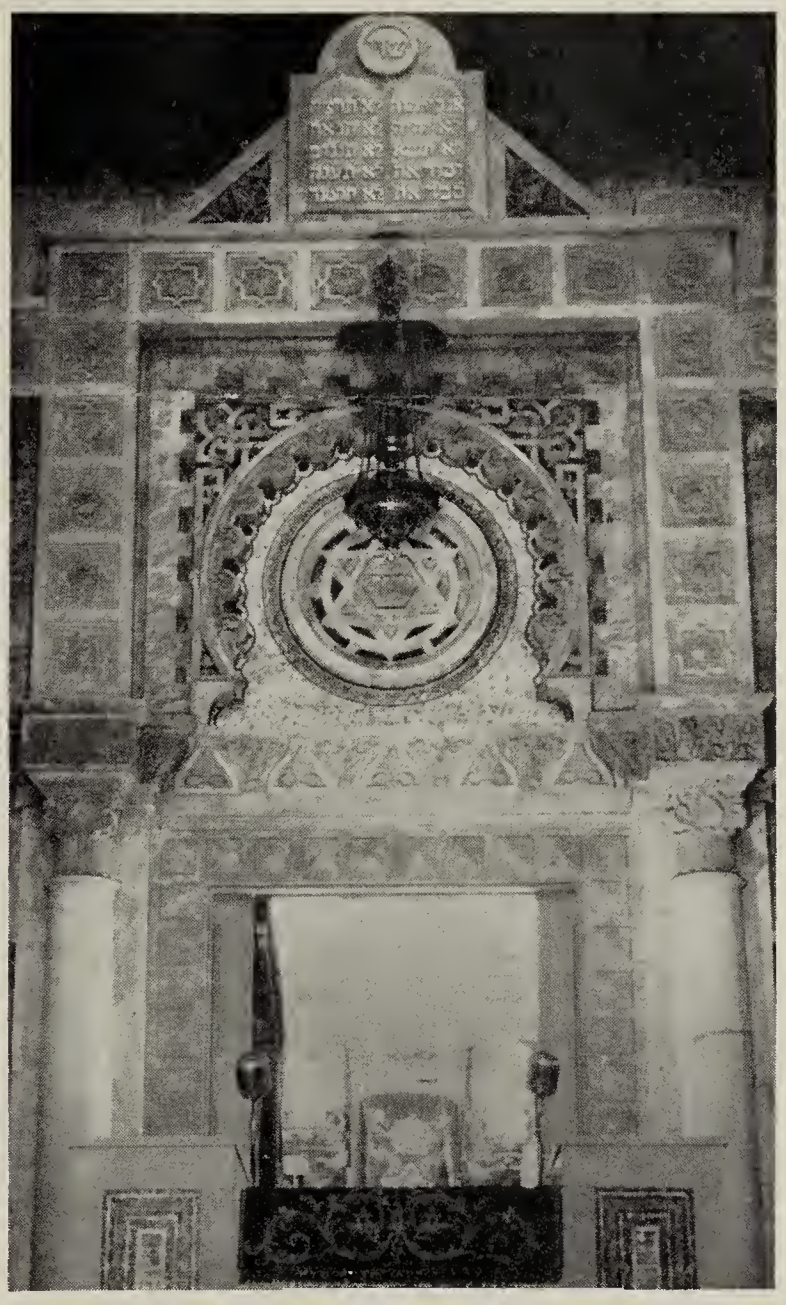

SHABBAT SHUVAH

Saturday, September 16th
8:30 A.M.

KOL NIDRE

Wednesday, September 20th
5:30 P.M.

"Vials We Dare Not Break"

YOM KIPPUR

Thursday, September 21st
8:30 A.M.

"Religion and Maturity"

YIZKOR SERVICES

3:00 P.M.

"The Ultimate Test"

Rabbi Simon Noveck and Cantor David J. Putterman will officiate.

Rabbi Noveck, Cantor Putterman and the Choir will return to the pulpit for services on Friday, September 8th and Saturday, September 9th. Services begin at 6:00 P.M. and at 10:00 A.M. All congregants are urged to attend.

The Junior Congregation will hold High Holy Day services in the Jewish Museum, 92nd Street and 5th Avenue, at 11:30 A.M., under the direction of Mr. Sanford Hahn.

High Holy Days Dedicate Our New Season

The Park Avenue Synagogue will usher in the Jewish New Year this Monday, September 11th at 6:00 P.M. The High Holy Day services this year will be conducted by Rabbi Simon Noveck and Cantor David J. Putterman. Mr. Isador Geller will be at the Organ as usual and the six voice Choir will participate in the services.

Mr. S. Ash will conduct the early Shacharit services in the Main Synagogue while Mr. Sanford Hahn, second year student at the Jewish Theological Seminary, will conduct them in the vestry. Mr. Isidore Hahn will blow the Shofar.

A special Junior Congregation service will take place on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings, September 12th and 13th at 11:00 A.M., under the direction of Mr. Sanford Hahn with the assistance of some of the young people, at the Jewish Museum.

The theme of Rabbi Noveck's sermon on the first day of Rosh Hashanah will be "Religious Faith—Shadow and Substance."

After a survey of the apparent signs of growth and expansion in the American Jewish community of today, Rabbi Noveck will point out some of the underlying inner weaknesses,

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from the desk of Rabbi Noveck

THE year 5711 which we usher in on Monday night promises to be one of great challenge to us all.

First as Americans we are all painfully aware that the present struggle in Korea may be but the prelude to some new and greater confrontation. Already a few of the very active workers among our younger members have been called to the service.

Secondly, as American Jews there are great areas of responsibility which fall upon us. Of these responsibilities I shall speak in my sermons on Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur.

Thirdly, as a congregation this is a year of challenge. Will the seventeen years of instruction and inspiration by one of the great teachers of our generation bear the proper fruits? Will there be among the congregants of the Park Avenue Synagogue a continued eagerness for knowledge of Jewish tradition, a consistent attendance at religious services, a sensitivity to the ills of our society, and a devotion towards the institution which meant so much to Milton Steinberg?

I for one have confidence that we shall meet the test. Cantor Putterman, despite his personal loss, is carrying on and promises us the usual beautiful and inspiring services for the holidays. Harold Starkman, as head of the Adult Education Committee, has exciting plans for an adult program that will include lectures by outstanding authorities on Psychiatry and Religion, Theology, Bible, Choral Music and Hebrew. Saul Godwin, as head of the Sub-Committee on Speakers, has arranged for us to hear more than fifteen outstanding guests at our Friday night and Saturday morning services. The Sisterhood and Parents Association under Helen and Vicki Wimpfheimer promise us programs on diverse and novel themes. From early indications, Joseph Howard Katz and the Men's Club are out to make their organization this year one of the best in the city.

Our huge structure will begin functioning soon after Rosh Hashanah. For those who were Bar Mitzvah during the past year or so and for the girls of thirteen we are organizing a new group with a program that should be attractive both culturally and socially. The High School Seminar convenes again on September 24th under a very competent instructor. The College Seminar already shows indications of being a permanent part of our congregational family. The Young Married groups, despite losses to the Army, will carry on with a series of discussions on "Religion in the Home". In addition, the newly formed Youth Commission under the Chairmanship of D. Leonard Cohen has plans for new projects that should strengthen our youth program during the year.

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message from the President

This has been a tragic year for our congregation. The loss of our revered Milton has left us without the inspired leadership which he bestowed upon us. However, his mantle has fallen upon the shoulders of our beloved Rabbi Noveck who worthily expounds our philosophy of Judaism. With his guidance and with the full cooperation of our membership we hope to carry on in Milton's spirit and thus prove ourselves worthy of our departed leader.

As a people we have always been optimists. With Israel an established fact and its pioneers exhibiting marvelous vitality we look to them for new spiritual values, but we also wish to continue cultivating our own vineyard in America, developing on the free soil of our great country a Judaism worthy of its heroic past and contributing its nuance to our American civilization.

In this spirit, then, a happy and fruitful New Year to all of us.

Signed,

E. D. FRIEDMAN

Please notify the secretary of the Synagogue of all events that take place in your family so that a record may be kept. Items for inclusion in the next issue of the BULLETIN should reach the Synagogue by Wednesday, September 6.

message from the Board Chairman

On behalf of the Board of Trustees and the Advisory Council, I extend a welcome to all.

As we usher in the new year, we find it in many respects

—A challenge to the Pulpit.
—A challenge to our congregational life.
A challenge to each of us.

Our congregational family is substantially intact. This, in my opinion, is a concrete and faithful indication of our devotion and dedication to the ideals and teachings of the incomparable leader whom we lost last March. We carry on under the leadership of Rabbi Simon Noveck, who will officiate during the forthcoming holidays. We all know what a tremendous assignment he has undertaken and we extend to him our loyal support and best wishes. Fortunately for him, and for us, he has had a year of exceptional partnership, in an extraordinary kind of master-and-brilliant-pupil combination. He is a warm friend among us.

The fabric of our congregation is well knit. For evidence of this we have our continuation of all the activities to which our beloved Milton was devoted. We need but continue these congregational activities to know for certain that the spiritual monument which he was building is contained in our hearts and ideals as individuals and as a congregation.

Finally—for each of us—there is the challenge to our collective integrity which lies in carrying out those teachings of Milton's with which we were in full agreement; in striving to become better, more understanding Jews and better Americans; in striving to gain a sympathetic and intelligent understanding of the problems of the new State of Israel.

We all are aware that for our Synagogue he had a sound approach to the problems of our youth. Enlarged facili-

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Finkelstein, Friedman, Noveck To Highlight Lecture Series

Rabbi Noveck will discuss Medieval Jewish Heritage. Cantor Putterman, Professor Salomon also to conduct courses.

The Adult Education Courses for this year will begin on Monday evening, October 16th. The major lecture series at 9:00 o'clock will be led by Rabbi Noveck on the theme: "The Medieval Jewish Heritage". He will discuss such topics as "Judaism and Mohammedanism", "The Golden Age of Hebrew Literature in Spain", "Moses Maimonides and the Rise of Jewish Philosophy", "The Rise of the European Jewish Community", "Jews and the Rise of Capitalism", "Jews and the Protestant Reformation," etc.

In addition the following courses are offered:

8:00 to 9:00 Monday evenings:

Cantor Putterman—Choral Music

Hebrew—both on the elementary and advanced level.

A special course in conversational Hebrew—for those planning to go to Israel.

Professor Albert Salomon—"Martin Buber and Modern Religious Philosophy."

"The Bible as Great Literature" with special emphasis on the writings.—The books of Job, Ecclesiastes, Proverbs and Psalms will be covered in this course.

In December when Rabbi Noveck's lectures end there will be a series of lectures on "Psychiatry and Religion" at 9 o'clock by three outstanding psychiatrists. Dr. E. D. Friedman, President of the congregation, will be one of the speakers.

In January four special talks will be delivered on the theme of Jewish theology under the title "Milton Steinberg Lectures on Jewish Theology." Dr. Louis Finkelstein, President of the Jewish Theological Seminary, will inaugurate the series on Monday, January 8th. Professor Albert Salomon will deliver one of the lectures. It is hoped that Professor Mordecai Kaplan will participate in the series.

The Adult Education program will continue until the middle of March. The entire Jewish community is invited. A special invitation is extended to the members of the Junior League and to the Young Married groups of the congregation to participate in these classes.

Each session ends with a special collation so that the members of the classes may get to know each other better.

Mrs. Muriel Morse will be in charge of the courses for the current season.

. . . who Returned to Zion

Dr. and Mrs. E. D. Friedman, Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Druss, and Mr. Louis Germain visited Israel this past summer.

Junior League Announces Officers

With the advent of the High Holidays, the officers and members of the Junior League extend their greetings and best wishes for a happy and prosperous year to all.

The group's program promises an enjoyable, sociable, and educational season. Plans are going forward for fund-raising functions to augment the $2,000 the league has already raised to contribute to the Milton Steinberg Memorial Fund.

Officers elected for the 1950-51 season are:

President—Louis I. Heller
Vice Presidents—Judy Klenert, Robert Barzillay
Treasurer—Robert Greenstein
Recording Sec'y—Anne Stern
Corresponding Sec'y—Shirley Klein
Executive Committee Members - at - Large—Hortense Levy, Sara Spiro, Melville Ringler, Bernard Weinflash, Philip Winter
Chairman on Membership — Judy Strasburger
Chairman on Finance—Murray Katz
Chairman on Hospitality—Phyllis Gerard
Chairman on Athletics—Richard Kohn

Members are asked to bring their cards of admission to all High Holiday services. They are requested not to leave their seats while the Rabbi is delivering the sermon or while the Cantor or Choir are singing. Everyone is asked to remain in his seat until after the benediction and not to remove his Tallith until that time.

Adult Education Invites Speakers

The Adult Education Committee, under the chairmanship of Mr. Harold Starkman has plans for an active program of guest speakers to be invited to our pulpit Friday evenings and Sabbath mornings.

Maurice Samuel, Judge Steinbrick, Marie Syrkin, Robert Nathan, Harry Rosenfield, and Rabbi Solomon Goldman have already been invited. Many others are under consideration by the Sub-Committee on Speakers, headed by Mr. Saul Godwin.

Juniors to Worship at Jewish Museum

Through the kindness of Dr. Stephen S. Kayser, curator, the facilities of the Jewish Museum of the Jewish Theological Seminary, 1109 Fifth Avenue, have been put at the disposal of our Junior Congregation for its High Holy Day services.

These services, to be held on September 12th and 13th at 11:30 A.M. and on September 21st at 11:30 A.M., will be conducted by Mr. Sanford H. Hahn, assisted by Franklyn Davidson, Richard Druss, Martin Gelfand, Liese Greenhut, Alice Helpern, Robert Rifkind, Frank Salomon, and Sylvia Schneider.

DID YOU KNOW

that Sisterhood is busy formulating plans for a gala 1950-1951 program especially designed to cater to your interest and pleasure?

that our first meeting, to be held on October 17, will be a Get-Together Luncheon to which all members and prospective members are cordially invited?

that we owe our charming and beautiful arrangements on Friday evenings to the much appreciated generosity of David C. Bielefeld, florist, of 870 Madison Ave.?

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that Sisterhood extends to all every sincere wish for happiness in the New Year, —to each individual, peace of mind and a hope for each nation to mind the peace?

High Holy Days

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particularly in the religious life of American Jews. His suggestion for making the apparent religious growth truly meaningful is the development of a vital religious faith.

Unlike Sartre and the crisis-theologians and unlike the contemporary philosophies of escape, Judaism offers a positive approach to life and its problems. The three dimensions of Judaism as an adequate faith for American Jews in these days of crisis will be outlined.

The theme of Rabbi Noveck's sermon on the second day of Rosh Hashanah will be "The Return Home Again."

The return to religion in general and to Judaism in particular is one of the signs of our times. What are the motivations prompting this return? Rabbi Noveck will survey the types of Jews who have returned to the Jewish community in recent years but have not done so fully and completely. Some have retained the attitude of semi-outsiders; others have returned merely to a Zionist ideology; while some have embraced only the religious aspect of Judaism. He will suggest what a real return to Judaism involves in our modern world pointing out three areas of obligation for all who would be "good Jews" in this era of transition.

Rabbi Noveck

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The details of these and other activities will be given to you in the coming issues of the BULLETIN which now has an enlarged staff to edit it.

We have a sacred trust—you and I—to keep alive a great tradition. You can make a real contribution by becoming an active participant in at least some phase of the Synagogue's activities during the coming year. May this be a year of health and happiness to you and your families—and a year of peace.

L'shanah tovah tikatevu.

SIMON NOVECK

With great sorrow we record the passing of Israel M. Putterman, father of our beloved Cantor David J. Putterman who passed away on August 23, 1950—10th of Elul, 5710. To Cantor Putterman and his family we extend our sincere sympathy during his bereavement.

Religious School to Open Sunday, September 17th

The opening session of the Primary School of the Religious School will be held on Sunday morning, September 17th at 9:45 A.M. Hebrew school classes will meet on Monday afternoon, September 18th.

Registration of new students for the Primary School and the Religious School may be made any afternoon in the School Office after 4:00 P.M.

A number of students of 8 and 9 have transferred from our Primary School to the three-day-a-week Hebrew School. Parents are urged to call the School Office today and make similar arrangements for their children.

Prizes for Attendance and Scholarship for our outstanding students of the year 1949-50 have been granted by the Metropolitan Council of the United Synagogue. A complete list of award winners will be printed in a later issue of the BULLETIN.

The Confirmation Class, under the guidance of Rabbi Noveck and Cantor Putterman, will prepare its final year of formal study in our school and culminate in impressive confirmation exercises at Shavuot.

Preconfirmation Group

All boys who have been Bar Mitzvah in the Park Avenue Synagogue in the past year or so and all girls who have reached the age of thirteen and have been members of the Religious School are invited to a get-together at the home of Rabbi Noveck on Saturday afternoon, September 16th.

They will become better acquainted with the Rabbi and will discuss their plans for this year's Pre-Confirmation Group. These will include field trips to points of Jewish interest in the city, celebrations of Jewish holidays, a course in Jewish study and Jewish life and many social activities.

Synagogue to Issue Name Certificates

The Synagogue office has acquired special certificates recording the Hebrew and English names of children who are born to members of our congregation. Parents who wish to give a name to their children in the Synagogue are urged to get in touch with the Synagogue office prior to the Sabbath so that the name may be duly recorded and presented to the father during the ceremony of the naming of the child.

Rifkind to Speak At Men's Club

The Honorable Simon H. Rifkind will address the Men's Club at its first meeting on Tuesday, October 10.

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A special dedication ceremony will take place on Yom Kippur afternoon, prior to the Yizkor Memorial Services, of a plaque donated by the Men's Club of the congregation in memory of the boys in our congregation who died during the Second World War. The Chairman of the Committee on Art Objects who helped design the plaque is Mr. Edward Munves. Mr. Abram Belski constructed the plaque.

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A card party has been planned for the November meeting, according to Mr. Joseph Howard Katz, President of the Men's Club.

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ties for their use were uppermost in his mind. Soon we shall have an opportunity to make these facilities our permanent memorial to his blessed memory.

As the holidays fall early this year heat will be an added challenge to our endurance. A spiritual urge and a sense of humor will combine, I trust, to make our return to the synagogue an auspicious beginning of the New Year.

Signed,

BENJAMIN SACK

Yizkor Elohim

ANNA WOLPER
wife of Irving Wolper

JOSEPH HAMERMAN
husband of Bertha Hamerman

JULIUS BRODER
brother of Bertha Hamerman

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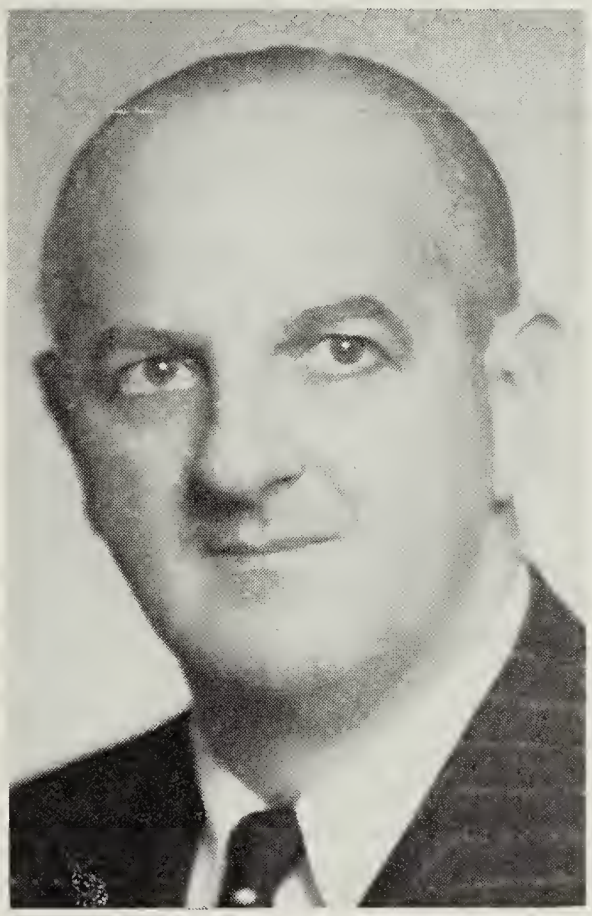

MR. SAUL GODWIN

MR. ISRAEL OSEAS

by Bernard Joffe

Mrs. Edward Peiper, Mr. Saul Godwin and Mr. Israel Oseas will be honored by the Congregation for outstanding service in Synagogue, Jewish and communal affairs at the Simchat Torah service on Wednesday, October 4th.

Following the Hakafot, the processional with the Torah scrolls, Mr. Israel Oseas will be called to "stand forth" as Hathan Torah (Bridegroom of the Torah) for the reading of the last chapter of Deuteronomy.

Then Mr. Saul Godwin will be called to the pulpit as Hathan Bereshith (Bridegroom of the Beginning), as the Torah is rerolled and the first verses of Genesis are read. Mrs. Edward Peiper will be honored as Kalah Mafteret, Bride of the Prophetic Message.

Mrs. Edward Peiper

Mrs. Peiper has been reared in the congregation. Her father, President of the Synagogue for thirty years, is now our honorary President. Mrs. Peiper was both confirmed and married here. She has always been closely connected with Synagogue activities, serving as President of the Sisterhood and many times Program Chairman for the Sisterhood's Annual Luncheon.

Mr. Saul Godwin

Mr. Godwin is one of the most active workers in every phase of Synagogue life. A lawyer by profession, he is at present a member of the Board of Trus-

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Services Mark Succot Festival

Succot, our harvest festival of thanksgiving, begins this year on Monday evening, September 25th, lasting for nine days. The first two festival days fall on Tuesday and Wednesday, September 26th and 27th. After five intervening days come the two last days known as Shemini Atzeret, when a memorial service is held, and Simchat Torah, the Rejoicing of the Law.

The processional with the lulov and esrog, to the accompaniment of traditional melodies, will be conducted by Rabbi Noveck and Cantor Putterman.

Each Succot service will be followed by refreshments in the beautiful Succah prepared under the direction of the President of the Sisterhood, Mrs. Helen Wimpfheimer.

Rabbi Noveck will explain the history and ritual of this nature festival during the services. He will also interpret the book of Ecclesiastes, which is traditionally read on this holiday.

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from the desk of the principal

The creation of the State of Israel has raised many questions for the Jew in Israel and the Jew in the Diaspora. Among the many problems of major import is the question of the relationship of the Jew in America to his brother in Israel.

Leaders of world Jewry, both here and in Israel, have realized the need for a clear definition of the relationship between the two groups. They are all in agreement that American Jewry, though a distinct body, has two roles to play. First, we must help to establish Israel upon a firm economic and political basis, so that it may grow strong enough to solve its many internal and external problems. Secondly, we must foster the study of the Hebrew language and the culture and history of the Jewish people.

Cultural Obligations

Most American Jews fulfill their first obligation to Israel and themselves by furthering the economic well-being of Israel through financial contributions to U.J.A., but many fail in their obligations to transmit and to develop our cultural heritage among their own people; particularly among the immediate members of their families.

The Park Avenue Synagogue has developed an educational structure beginning with the age of six and extending through the adult life of the congregant. It is gratifying to know that most of our parents avail themselves of this opportunity and begin the Jewish education of their children at an early age. However, other parents continue to delay the Jewish education of their children and, thus, do injustice to the child, to themselves and to all of Israel.

Now the Time

I urge upon every parent who has delayed the Jewish education of his child "until he is ready for it," that he is ready *now*; that this is the proper time to give him the feeling of security that comes from a sense of belonging; that history, religion and culture are imbibed at an early age and are not easily acquired at some later stage in life; and, that the bond of our unity and kinship with Jews throughout the world lies in our common heritage.

The Religious School office is open today and every day after 3:00 P.M. Avail yourself of the opportunity and enroll your child in the Primary Department, if he is under 9, and in the three-day-a-week Hebrew Department if he is older.

—MARTIN LEICHTLING

we consecrate

On Simchat Torah we bring to be consecrated those of our children who are beginning their formal Jewish education.

But Succot, and Simchat Torah, is a time to consecrate, for them, ourselves and our homes so that we may be fit to imbue them with the most important part of their heritage, the part that cannot be funneled into them from books.

I Am A Jew

Times will come when they will have to stand up and be counted in the congregation of Israel. Sacrifices may be required of them and responsibilities placed on them. Times of sorrow may come when they will need the solace and strength that lies in the consciousness, "This is my people. I am a Jew."

Courage and solace will come to them not so much from the realization, important as it is, that they profess a noble moral creed and that their religious philosophy is among the oldest and loftiest the world has known.

Sweetness of the Law

They will draw strength from a simple memory illuminated by the homey glow of Sabbath candles or a menorah ablaze on the eighth day of Channukah. The big sticky candied apple on Simchat Torah to symbolize the sweetness of the Law. . . . The glitter in Grandfather's eye as he chanted Kiddush at the Seder table. . . . Stars beginning to twinkle between the branches of the Succah. . . . Mother kindling lights in a still, festive room at dusk. . . .

Complete Identification

Such identification is eternal. It is implanted before the first clear memories arise. It is part of the fibre of our self.

To give to our children the warmth and sweetness that flows from the heartfelt words, "How goodly are thy tents, O Jacob!" . . . we consecrate ourselves.

H. W.

Rabbi to Bless New Students

On Tuesday evening, October 3rd, the Consecration Service will take place for all children entering the Sunday School or the Religious School for the first time.

The children will march into the synagogue and be called to the pulpit. There they will be presented for consecration by the principal of the school and by the head of the school board, and blessed with a special blessing by the Rabbi.

They will be given a Torah scroll and a special certificate.

The traditional Hakafot procession with the Torahs will take place on this evening, the men carrying the Torah scrolls to express their joy at the giving of the Law and the choice of Israel as its messenger. The children will march with their flags.

The reading of the Torah is completed on Simchat Torah, and begun again immediately to show that our rejoicing is due to the fact that we can begin again to study it, rather than that we have finished the reading.

Juniors to Worship In the Vestry

Special Succoth services will be held for the children each festival morning, in the vestry of the Synagogue. They will be under the direction of Mr. Sanford Hahn.

These services will last exactly one hour. Children who are unable to stay away from school for the entire day will be able to attend and then go back to school.

The services will include the ceremonial of the lulov and esrog (palm branch and citron) as well as refreshments in the Succah.

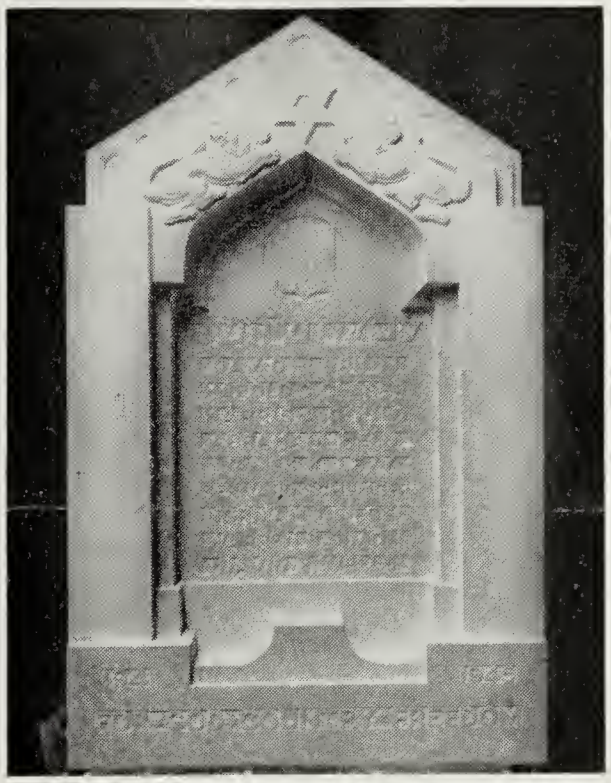
Special Ceremony Dedicates World War II Memorial

A plaque presented by the Men's Club in memory of the members of the congregation who gave their lives in the Second World War was dedicated at a special ceremony on Yom Kippur preceding the Yizkor Service.

Rabbi Noveck, Cantor Putterman and Mr. Joseph Howard Katz, President of the Men's Club, participated in the dedication of the plaque which is located in the right hand corner of the Synagogue as part of the stone structure.

Rabbi Steinberg felt the importance of such a memorial as part of the permanent structure of the Synagogue. Its completion was one of his great wishes.

The names dedicated are: David M. Brinn, Harold C. Glaser, Harris A. Gould, Abraham Held, James K. Levy, Bernard Schlinger, Norman J. Siegel, Warren B. Simon and David E. Wells.



Mrs. Milton Steinberg expresses her deep gratitude to members of the congregation for their many New Year's greetings.

Council Meets Oct. 5

The Intrasynagogue Council, consisting of two representatives of each organization in the congregation, will hold its first meeting of the season on Tuesday, October 5th, at 8:30 P.M. in the Trustee's Room of the Synagogue. All Organizations are urged to send their representatives.

The group, under the chairmanship of Mr. Harold Starkman, acts as a clearing house for dates as well as a forum for discussion of programs and program material. Without affecting the autonomy of each organization, the group forms a bridge between the various branches of congregational life, helping them to meet mutual problems.

The Council was organized last April.

"Vigilantes" to be Rifkind Topic

"Vigilantes, New Style" is to be the title of the Honorable Simon H. Rifkind's talk to the Men's Club at its first meeting, Tuesday, October 10th.

Judge Rifkind prefers to keep closer details of his talk a secret as yet, since it will comment upon current topics of the day.

It has also been announced that the Men's Club will this year conduct the annual Channukah party. The party has been sponsored for the past few years by the Sisterhood.

Mr. Leonard Bangzer and Mr. Dudley Greenstein have been called into the Army. Mr. Greenstein is now in Biloxi, Mississippi with his wife, Edith.

Date of Sisterhood Luncheon Changed To December 12th at the Waldorf

Sisterhood is happy to announce that its 55th Birthday Luncheon will be held in the Grand Ballroom of the Waldorf Astoria Hotel, on Tuesday, December 12th at 11 A.M. Despite the fact that the raffle books had already been printed to read "Monday, December 11th", it was deemed advisable to change our reservation to Tuesday, December 12th, at popular request. Those to whom raffle books have been issued, are asked to write the change of date on each ticket.

A capable committee is exerting every effort to make this the most attractive function possible. Mrs. I. E. Gevirtz is Chairman, Mrs. Irwin Rome Co-Chairman, Mrs. Harry Sokolow Chairman of Program, and Mrs. Sigmund Siegel, treasurer.

Holders of books are urged to send their money as soon as possible to Mrs. Sigmund Siegel, 1349 Lexington Avenue. Work must be started at once because of the early date of this year's luncheon.

Sanford Hahn Leads Weekly Jr. Services

Junior Congregation Services are being held every Saturday morning at 11:00 o'clock in the vestry of the Synagogue by members of the Religious School. Mr. Sanford Hahn directs the services with the assistance of Miss Fay Green, teacher of music, and Mr. Walter Stein at the organ.

Students participate in a general congregational discussion of the weekly reading from the Torah. A dramatic story from Hebrew literature is presented each week by a different member of the faculty.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

RABBI NOVECK WILL PREACH THE SERMONS

Succot Eve	Monday, September 25th, 5:45 P.M.
First Morning	Tuesday, September 26th, 9:30 A.M.
Second Evening	Tuesday, September 26th, 5:45 P.M.
Second Morning	Wednesday, September 27th, 9:30 A.M.
Sabbath Eve	Friday, September 29th, 5:45 P.M.
Sabbath Morning	Saturday, September 30th, 9:30 A.M.
Shemini Atzeret Evening	Monday, October 2nd, 5:45 P.M.
Yizkor Service	Tuesday, October 3rd, 9:30 A.M.
Simchat Torah, Consecration Service	Tuesday, October 3rd, 5:30 P.M.
Simchat Torah	Wednesday, October 4th, 9:30 A.M.

Mazel Tov

TO Mrs. Sarah Weinberger, mother of Mrs. S. William Borgenicht, on her 85th birthday.
TO Mr. and Mrs. Sanford H. Cohen on the marriage of their son Arthur to Miss Barbara Cohen.
TO Mr. and Mrs. Alfred W. Edelman on the birth of their son.

Congregation to Honor

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tees, was Chairman of the School Board for five years and is now Chairman of the Building Committee for construction of a new educational edifice to be dedicated to the memory of Rabbi Milton Steinberg. Mr. Godwin was Chairman of the 15th Anniversary Celebration for Rabbi Steinberg and Cantor Putterman, served on the Adult Education Committee for over ten years, and is presently Chairman of the Sub-Committee on Friday Evening guest speakers.

Mr. Israel Oseas

Mr. Oseas is a lawyer, member of the Board of Trustees of the Synagogue, and Vice-President of the Congregation. He is former Chairman of the Ritual Committee. His great interest in Jewish life encompasses not only Synagogue activity but extends into other fields of community interest. He is President of the Metropolitan Council of the United Synagogue of America, a member of its National Council, and a member of the Board of Overseers of the Jewish Theological Seminary.

All members of the Synagogue are invited to attend the reception to the three recipients of Simchat Torah Honors to be held in the vestry immediately following the service.

Synagogue Joins S. A. J. To Create New High School

Classes in Bible, Hebrew, Literature to Fulfill Confirmation Requirements

The Religious School of the Park Avenue Synagogue has joined with that of the Society for the Advancement of Judaism in the forming of a new high school to function under the supervision of the Jewish Education Committee.

The organization meeting took place at the Society for the Advancement of Judaism on Sunday morning, September 17th.

Outstanding Instructors

Members of the religious schools of the two congregations will graduate into the new high school which will enroll young people from the ages of thirteen to fifteen. The instructors will be Rabbi Ira Eisenstein, Rabbi Harold Weissburg, Rabbi Jack J. Cohen of the Society for the Advancement of Judaism, and one or two instructors to be provided by the Park Avenue Synagogue.

Classes, which will meet Sunday mornings from 10 to 12 at the Society for the Advancement of Judaism, 15 West 86th Street, and once during the middle of the week at the Park Avenue Synagogue, will be on a very mature level. Elective courses will be offered. Students may choose either a full or a partial program.

Join Forces

This joining of forces of the two congregations takes place to meet a long felt need. It will furnish a much higher level of instruction than could be attained by either congregation working alone and add prestige value to Jewish education on the teen age level.

The courses in Hebrew, History and Bible among which the students may choose will fulfill the requirement for Confirmation in both congregations. However, Confirmation will take place in the individual synagogues as always. Rabbi Noveck will meet with the Confirmation Class of our synagogue later in the year.

The following young people of our congregation have already registered for the new high school: Stephen Brodsky, Jonathan Freedman, Arthur Jacobs, Neil Janovic, Martin Gelfand, Michele Kaye, Alfred Laurig, David Ruttenberg, Frank Salomon, Sylvia Schneider, David Steinberg.

J. E. C. Grants 11 Music Certificates

Certificates for Achievement in Music during the school year 1949-1950 have been awarded by Mr. Harry Coopersmith, Director of Music for the Jewish Education Committee, to the following students of our Religious School: Merle Blau, Sandra Cohen, Edward Curtis, Cecily Falkenstein, Eleanor Foa, Judy Geller, Stanley Nemeroff, Marilyn Schneider, Frederick Simon, Doris Wimpfheimer, and Teddy Zuckov.

The award winners were leaders in Junior Congregational singing, presented musical programs during the school year, and participated in the Interschool Music Spring Festival at Hunter College on May 28th.

Eisenberg to Address Parents-- Class Groups to Meet Teachers

Asrael Eisenberg, head of the Jewish Education Committee, will address the first meeting of the Parents' Association, Wednesday, October 18, on "The Importance of Being Parents".

The meeting will convene at the Synagogue at 8 P.M. Parents will meet with the teachers at that time in individual class groups. Each teacher will explain to the parents of her particular pupils what her curriculum, aims and methods are to be for the year. She will ask the parents for their suggestions.

In this way parents and teacher will be able to cooperate from the very beginning in making the school year as meaningful as possible for the youngsters.

At 9 P.M. the class groups will join to listen to Mr. Eisenberg. A discussion period will follow his address.

Yizkor Elohim

HARRY RENTNER
brother of Maurice Rentner

SIGMUND GALE
father of Moe Gale

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father of Mrs. Vogel

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Adult Education Program Opens

On October 16th Rabbi Noveck will open the 9 o'clock major lecture series on "The Medieval Jewish Heritage." His topic will be "Judaism in the Mohammedan Empire."

The Rabbi will describe Jewish life at the beginning of the Middle Ages. He will discuss the life of Mohammed and its relation to the Jews of Arabia, with emphasis on the influence of Judaism on the Koran.

After giving an insight into the nature of the Mohammedan civilization, Rabbi Noveck will trace the story of the Jews in Arabia and Babylonia during this period. He will deal with the Karaites and explain the revolt against the Talmud.

Philosophies Compared

The philosophy of Judaism will be compared with that of Mohammedanism in this first lecture.

The 8 o'clock classes will also hold their opening meetings on October 16th. Cantor Putterman's course on Choral Music will meet at that time, as will Professor Albert Salomon's course on the philosophy of Martin Buber.

At the suggestion and with the cooperation of the Junior League, a course in comparative religion will be offered this year under a competent instructor and representative guest lecturers. It will deal with the philosophies of Buddhism, Shintoism, Hinduism, Voodoo, Protestantism and Catholicism, relating their teachings to those of Judaism.

Hebrew

Hebrew classes will meet at 8 o'clock. Miss Belle Sicherman of the Hebrew School staff will teach Elementary Hebrew. Mr. Morton Leifman of the Jew-

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DR. SALO W. BARON

Rabbi Gordon To Be First Morning Speaker

Rabbi Harold H. Gordon, General Secretary and Chaplaincy Coordinator of the New York Board of Rabbis, will be the first Saturday morning guest speaker on October 21st. Rabbi Gordon is also Director of the Board's Institute for Pastoral Psychiatry.

A native of Minneapolis, Rabbi Gordon was graduated from the University of Minnesota cum laude. He studied at the Hebrew Theological College, Chicago; the Jewish Theological Seminary and Columbia University, New York; the Hebron Yeshiva, Jerusalem; and was ordained by the late Chief Rabbi A. I. Kook of Palestine. The Jewish Theological Seminary awarded him the degree of Doctor of Hebrew Literature. During World War II he attained prominence as the Flying Chaplain in the Air Transport Command, from which he was discharged with the rank of Major.

Rabbi Gordon has just returned from a nine-week survey of Jewish religious and educational conditions in Europe, North Africa and Israel.

He will be the first in a monthly series of Sabbath morning guest speakers.

Israeli Studies Director to Speak

Dr. Salo W. Baron, Director of the new Institute for Israeli Studies in Columbia University, will be our first Friday night guest speaker of the current season, on October 13th.

Dr. Baron was educated in Vienna, where he received an extensive rabbinical as well as secular training, acquiring the degrees of Ph. D., Doctor of Political Science, Doctor of Jurisprudence and a rabbinical degree from the Jewish Theological Seminary in Vienna.

He served as lecturer of Jewish history at the Jüdisches Paedagogium in Vienna and participated in the work of the International Federation of the League of Nations Unions. In 1926 he became visiting lecturer of history at the Jewish Institute of Religion and subsequently served as Professor of History and Acting Librarian and as Director of the Department of Advanced Studies.

Columbia

Since 1930 Professor Baron has held the chair of Jewish History, Literature and Institutions of the Miller Foundation of Columbia University. For many years he served as visiting lecturer of history at the Graduate School for Jewish Social Work in New York. He is a fellow of the American Academy for Jewish Research and received the honorary degree of Doctor of Hebrew Letters from Hebrew Union College in 1944.

Professor Baron is President of the Conference on Jewish Relations; the Academic Council for the Hebrew University; and Jewish Cultural Reconstruction, Inc. and Chairman of the Library of Information, American Jewish Committee.

Author

He is the author and editor of eight works on Historic and Jewish subjects,

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Mazel Tov

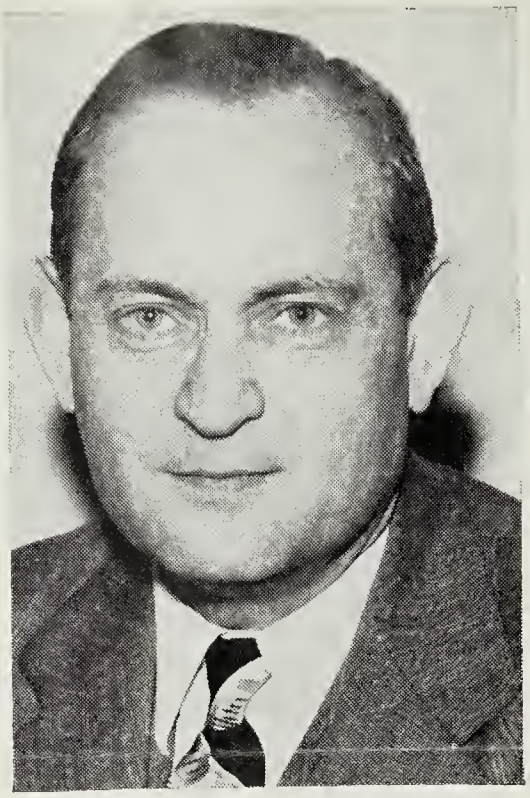
TO Mr. and Mrs. Harold E. Warshaw on the birth of their daughter Carole Leslie on May 26th.

TO Dr. and Mrs. Harold Osserman on their 25th wedding anniversary, September 24th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Jules Dubrowin on their 35th wedding anniversary, October 10th.

TO Mr. Charles Weill on his 83rd Birthday, October 25th.

TO the great grandfather Mr. Joseph Rose, grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Jules Mendel, parents Mr. and Mrs. Alvin D. Silber on the birth of Jaclyn Anne, May 24th.



DR. AZRIEL EISENBERG

Noted Educator To Address Parents

Dr. Azriel Eisenberg, who will address the Parents' Association on October 18th, on "The Importance of Being Parents," is Executive Vice-President of the Jewish Education Committee of New York.

He studied at New York University (B.S.), Columbia University (Ph.D.) and the Teachers Institute of the Jewish Theological Seminary, was director of the Philadelphia Council on Jewish Education and Dean of Gratz College, and has served as principal of religious schools in New York and Philadelphia, Director of the Department of Information, Bureau of Jewish Education, New York City, Director of the Cincinnati Bureau of Jewish Education, and Director of the Cleveland Bureau of Jewish Education.

Dr. Eisenberg was president of the National Council for Jewish Education, the Jewish Teachers Association of New York, and the Northeast Ohio Religious Education Association. He is chairman of the United Synagogue Commission on Jewish Education and of the American Section of the World Union for Jewish Education; a co-chairman of the National Zionist Education Committee; a member of the Executive Board of the Histadruth Ivrith and of the Executive Board of the Jewish Book Council.

He is the author of many books and articles on Jewish education.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday Evening, October 13th ..... 8:30 P.M.
Dr Salo W. Baron

Saturday Morning, October 14th ..... 10 A. M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach: "The Tower of Babel—A Modern Symbol"

Friday Evening, October 20th ..... 8:30 P.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach: "Conservative Judaism Takes a Stand"

Saturday Morning, October 21st ..... 10 A.M.
Rabbi Harold H. Gordon

The succah was prepared this year under the usual devoted supervision of Mrs. Milton Heller. The fruits and vegetables were donated by Harry and Juliette Dubin.

Seminary Cites Isaac Liberman

The following citation honors Mr. Isaac Liberman:

"Great Peace Have They that Love Thy Torah.

"The Jewish Theological Seminary of America hereby expresses its deep appreciation of the leadership of Isaac Liberman of the Park Avenue Synagogue, New York, in the Seminary's program to advance the cause of Jewish life and Jewish learning in America and throughout the world.

Choral Group Open to All

Cantor Putterman announces that the Choral Group, which will hold its opening session Monday evening, October 16th, at 8 P.M. sharp, is open to all, no matter what the age or sex.

Experience is not needed—even if you have never sung before, the Cantor promises that you can yearn to sing and cultivate a singing voice. The only prerequisite is—that you enjoy singing.

The Choral Group's first project, under Cantor Putterman's direction, will be the preparation of a complete musical service for Friday evening, to be performed in the Synagogue some time during the season.

Yizkor Elohim

SYLVIA COHEN
mother of Norman Cohen

MR. WILLIAM MASLOW

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ish Theological Seminary will teach intermediate Hebrew. Competent instructors will be announced for the Advanced and Conversational Hebrew Classes.

A brochure with an enclosed postal card has reached each member of the Synagogue. Registration for the courses will be by return of the postal card, but members and their friends may also register on the opening night of the Adult Education Program, October 16th. Tuition for all courses will be free. Members and non-members are urged to attend.

Fur further information call Mrs. Muriel Morse, Chairman.

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Sisterhood Opens Sociology Series

William Maslow, Director of the Commission on Law and Social Action of the American Jewish Congress, will open the Sisterhood's new series on "Social Problems That Face All America", at an open meeting and luncheon on Tuesday, October 17th, at 12 noon.

Mr. Maslow has been Director of Field Operations for the President's Committee on Fair Employment Practices, where he was in charge of case handling and regional offices throughout the country, and of liaison with Congress.

NLRB

For six years he was associated with the NLRB, first as a prosecuting attorney and then as a trial examiner. In the latter capacity he conducted hearings for the Board throughout the country.

Before his Federal service he was associate counsel for the N. Y. C. Department of Investigation in the first La Guardia administration. He has been a reporter on *The New York Times* and was associated in practice with Arthur Garfield Hays.

Phi Beta Kappa

Graduated Phi Beta Kappa from Cornell, he holds a law degree from Columbia University and is a member of the New York and Supreme Court bars.

He is currently conducting a course at the New School for Social Research on "Current Problems In Race Relations."

A festive luncheon, to which all are invited, is being prepared under the direction of Mrs. Harry Sokolow.

Mrs. A. Geller is Program Chairman.

The drive for the Women's Division of Federation under the chairmanship of Mrs. Harriet Howe is under way. Your cooperation is solicited for this important cause.

Large Gathering Hears Judge Simon Rifkind

Judge Simon H. Rifkind, addressing the Men's Club at its opening meeting on October 10th, discussed "Vigilantes" in the modern world.

Judge Rifkind is a graduate of the City College of New York and Columbia Law School. He was admitted to the New York Bar in 1926 and served as member of the Columbia University Research Staff in Legal Economics during 1925-6. During World War II he served as Advisor to the Commanding General, United States Forces, European Theatre, and was, until his recent resignation, U. S. District Judge of the Southern District of New York.

He is at present engaged in private practice of the law.

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and editor of the quarterly *Jewish Social Studies.*

A distinguished scholar and speaker, Dr. Baron will inaugurate a series of monthly guest sermons. Rabbi Noveck will preach three Friday nights a month.

The Chairman of the Subcommittee on Pulpit Speakers is Mr. Saul Godwin.

Raffle Winner to have Portrait Painted by David Immerman

One of the raffle winners at the Sisterhood's 55th Annual Donor Luncheon will have a portrait painted by Mr. David Immerman, known for his portraits of the late President Franklin Delano Roosevelt and FBI Chief J. Edgar Hoover. Mr. Immerman will be present at the luncheon at the Waldorf on Tuesday, December 12th, to begin the oil portrait immediately, in full view of the assembled guests.

Mr. Immerman, whose paintings are in the collections of Columbia University and the New York Court of Appeals, is at present painting a portrait of Mary Pickford at her California estate.

In making his generous offer Mr. Immerman wrote to the Luncheon Committee: "I consider it a privilege to participate in your good work."

It is hoped that the women of the Synagogue will reflect their own interest in this work by attending the luncheon with their friends. A large number of valuable prizes is being collected and a fine program is being planned.

Last May each member of the Synagogue received a raffle book of fifteen tickets at a dollar each. Sale or purchase of this book entitles the member to attendance at the luncheon.

Mrs. Sigmund Siegel, Treasurer, (1349 Lexington Avenue) will be very happy to furnish additional books and to receive your checks and reservations as soon as possible.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES ARE IN FULL SWING

Religious School Opens With Large Attendance; Registration Closing

The faculty of the Religious School offers its thanks and congratulations to the students and their parents for their whole-hearted cooperation in a most successful reopening of the school year.

The response of the student body to a post card informing them of the opening date and of their assignment to a new class was overwhelming—75% of the students reported to the Primary School on September 17th and 90% of the Hebrew Department appeared on the first day of school.

Closing Date Postponed

The many holidays during the early part of the school year have made it possible to postpone the closing date for registration in the Religious School to Oct. 15th, 1950.

Children between the ages of 6 and 9 may be enrolled in the Primary Department which meets on Sunday morning. Older children must enroll in the Hebrew Department which meets on Monday and Wednesday afternoon and Saturday morning.

Members of the congregation are reminded that three years of Hebrew School education and the successful completion of an examination administered by the Rabbi and the Cantor are essential requirements for Bar Mitzvah and Bas Mitzvah in the Park Avenue Synagogue.

Class Mothers

Under the sponsorship of Parent's Association, the class mothers will hold a meeting at the home of Mrs. Herman Helpern at 10:30 A.M. on October 13th, to discuss plans for making the children's school year as full and rich as possible.

Jeno Bartel Plays At Jr. League Dance

Junior League held its first dance of the season on Sunday afternoon, October 1st, in the Vestry of the Synagogue. About two hundred attended and enjoyed themselves. Jeno Bartel's Orchestra furnished the music. Phyllis Gerard and Bernard Weinflasch were co-chairmen of the affair.

The League's next dance, under the chairmanship of Harry Lewis and Barbara Lang, will take place on Sunday Afternoon, October 22nd, at 3 P.M., with Jeno Bartel's music.

Thursday, October 26th, at 8:30 P.M. the Junior League will hold its next open meeting, to which members are urged to bring their interested friends.

Young Marrieds To Plan

Young Marrieds B will hold a get-together at the home of Rabbi Noveck on Tuesday, October 17th at 8:30 P.M.

Under the chairmanship of Mrs. Beulah Warshaw, they will make plans for the coming season. All are invited.

Collegiate Seminar To Study *Partisan Guide*

Fifteen college and post-college students attended the first meeting of the Collegiate Seminar group which was held at the home of Rabbi Noveck on Sunday, October 1st.

Milton Steinberg's *Partisan Guide to the Jewish Problem* was chosen as the text which the group will use for its bi-weekly discussions. In order to participate more actively in general synagogue activity, the group delegated two representatives to the Intra-synagogue Council.

The next meeting of the group will be on Sunday, October 15th at 11 A.M. in the Trustees' Room.

High School Seminar To Study History

The first meeting of the High School Seminar, with thirty members present, was held on September 24th.

The group decided to take "A Bird's Eye View of Jewish History" as its study topic. Each member has bought a copy of Cecil Roth's *Illustrated Edition of a Short History of the Jewish People.*

Conducted by Mr. Morton Leifman, the class will meet on alternate Sundays in the Trustees' Room of the Synagogue.

The ritual Committee is arranging for the purchase of new Festival Prayer Books. This is a good opportunity for members of the congregation to dedicate such books in honor of their loved ones or in memory of the departed.

Dutch Supper Opens YoungMarriedsSeason

The Dutch Supper for all Young Marrieds will be held Sunday, October 29th at 6:30 in the Vestry of the Park Avenue Synagogue, announced Dr. Marvin Robinson, president of the group. The supper is a social affair designed to introduce and acquaint the old and new members.

The next meeting of the group will be held on Thursday, October 12th at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hoffman. All those planning to attend should contact the Hoffmans.

At the last meeting, at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Marvin Robinson, the year's program was planned and Marjorie Silberman was elected as secretary of the group.

Two members, Dudley Greenstein and Lawrence Bangser, have recently been called into service. Another Young Married couple, Mr. and Mrs. Murray Rohr, are planning to leave for Texas where they will settle.

Jr. Congregation to Elect

On October 14th, immediately after the service, the members of the Junior Congregation will meet to elect officers for the school year 1950-51.

The officers and the Synagogue Council, consisting of two elected delegates from each class, will plan for a number of school functions, study and the allotment of Keren Ami funds, and generally provide for the good and welfare of the students of the school.

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Lively Discussion Marks First Talk

A highly successful first session inaugurated this year's Adult Education Courses. A large audience was joined through the informal atmosphere at Rabbi Noveck's Major Lecture Series into a spontaneous, responsive group. The sociability afterwards was marked by lively discussions during which members became much better acquainted.

The Rabbi introduced the lecture by pointing up the difference between a natural community, such as that in ancient and modern Israel, and a voluntary community, such as that in America in which we live at present.

Middle Ages

In the Middle Ages, which are the topic of the Major Lecture Series at nine o'clock Monday evenings, the typical Jewish community was a compulsory one.

The course will not be completely objective, the Rabbi said. It will have a bias toward survival. For from the Middle Ages, where Jewish survival presented an acute problem, we can learn to solve our survival problems of today.

Tribal UJA

Rabbi Noveck reviewed the tribal life of the Jews in Arab countries at the time of Mohammed, pointing out that even then the law of the redemption of the captives, parallelled today by our UJA drives, was inviolable.

He traced the life of Mohammed, pointing out that the religion he founded contained many Jewish influences.

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Adult Education to Feature Maimonides in Next Lecture

"Maimonides, Philosopher and Scholar" will be Rabbi Noveck's topic on Monday night, October 23rd, in the 9 o'clock lecture of the Adult Education Program.

The Rabbi will present the life of this great thinker of medieval Europe and give an insight into his works.

He will trace the rise of Jewish philosophy from the time of Saadia Gaon, with emphasis on the contributions of Maimonides. He will describe the controversy that arose over the works of Maimonides, lasting over a century after his death, and evaluate the implications of Maimonides' thought for our times.

On Monday, October 30th, Rabbi Noveck will turn from the Jews of Spain to trace the rise of the Jewish community in France and Germany. He will treat the relation of the Jews to the Christian church and describe the rise of Anti-Semitism.

The Rabbi will present the personality of Rashi and discuss his work and thought.

Parents Association To Hold Book Fair

A Jewish Book Fair under the sponsorship of the Parents' Association will open in the Vestry of the Synagogue on Sunday, November 19th, and continue through November 20th and 21st.

Jewish books, records, and holiday decorations will be on sale in colorful booths. There will be a victrola available.

Poster Contest

The students of the Religious School are preparing posters to be used during the Fair. The posters will be judged by a committee of parents. Parents' Association will give appropriate awards for the winning posters.

Professional book sellers will be on hand to assist in the sale of books and other Hanukah gifts. Gift wrapped copies of the books of Rabbi Milton Steinberg will be available.

Magician

On Monday afternoon a special program, including a magician, will be put on for the children.

Spirited Response Greets All Courses

The 8 o'clock courses of the Adult Education Program got under way on Monday, October 16th, with large attendance in every class. The members of one of the Hebrew classes even decided to meet for three hours a week.

Martin Buber

Professor Salomon introduced his course on the Philosophy of Martin Buber by stressing that although Buber had Chassidic influences in his background, he reached traditional Judaism independently. It became the center and focus of his life and philosophy only after he had passed through a period of revolt during which Nietzsche and other German philosophers had a profound influence on him.

Professor Salomon's course will deal with the development of Buber's philosophy. It will show how in this highly original thinker Western philosophy and traditional Jewish thought were reconciled and synthesised. Buber points the

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday Evening, October 27th ..... 8:30 P.M.
Rabbi Noveck will discuss: "The Current Crisis in Israel"

Saturday Morning, October 28th ..... 10 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach: "The Value of Doubts"

Friday Evening, November 3rd ..... 8:30 P.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach: "Psychiatry and Religion—Are They Compatible?"

Saturday Morning, November 4th ..... 10 A.M.

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from the desk of Rabbi Noveck

WHAT obligations does a synagogue member owe to the wider community? This is a question which confronts every member of the Park Avenue Synagogue at this time. We are engaged in a total effort to bring into being a structure that will meet the cultural and educational needs of our congregation, fulfil the last wishes of Rabbi Steinberg and constitute a fitting memorial to his name. This is justifiably our first consideration.

Our Commitments

Yet our tradition reminds us, "Separate not thyself from the community." There are commitments that we must meet to other areas of Jewish life aside from the congregation. To my mind there are three causes which should have priority on our list of communal loyalties—the United Jewish Appeal, Federation, and the Jewish Theological Seminary. To the first of these our congregation responded nobly during Yom Kippur services. About the Seminary I shall write in a subsequent issue of the Bulletin. It is to Federation that I want to devote this column.

Federation

The Federation of Jewish Philanthropies of New York is a network of 116 agencies meeting the health, welfare and recreational needs of 480,000 people. Hospitals to care for the sick, foster homes for orphaned children, clinics for the psychiatric care of delinquent children, family welfare agencies to counsel families in distress, homes for the aged, community centers for the youth, summer camps for poorer children—these are some of the projects sponsored by Federation.

In most of these services speed is essential. Children in trouble cannot wait. When family tensions become too intense immediate counselling is necessary. When one needs treatment or hospitalization, to be put on a waiting list is small consolation. The plea of Federation this year is to abolish waiting lists.

Urgent Plea

This is a plea we must heed regardless of our other commitments. "Whosoever withholds alms from the needy thereby withdraws himself from the luster of the Shechina and the light of the law." Let us heed our tradition and open wide our hands to our brothers, to the poor, the needy, the sick, the troubled, and the aged. Let us abolish social work and medical bread lines, and bring relief and care where they are needed. This is the Jewish concept of Zedakah. Less than this we cannot do.

Spirited Response

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way to a genuinely Jewish philosophy which is valid and dynamic in the conditions of today.

Choral Group

Cantor Putterman's Choral Group began its work on a Friday Evening Service to be performed during the season. A large group joined the Cantor. There is room, however, for more voices to bring the Chorus up to full strength. Male as well as female voices are needed.

Comparative Religion

Rabbi Harold Weissburg, a recent Seminary graduate, inaugurated his course in Comparative Religion. He promised to take a completely objective view of the religions to be studied while comparing each with Judaism.

Representatives of the various religions under discussion will participate in presentation of the course. For the next seven weeks Hinduism, Buddhism, Shintoism, Taoism and Zoroastrianism will be discussed. Then the series will proceed to Mohammedanism, Catholicism and Protestantism.

Hebrew

Four Hebrew courses are offered: Beginners', Intermediate, Conversational, and Advanced.

All courses are still open for new registrants. Interest has been wide spread. The attendance was from all boroughs and included at least four people from Weehawken. One lady from Manhattan, not a member of the Synagogue, telephoned to register for herself and three friends—one from Brooklyn, one from the Bronx, and one from Long Island.

Mazel Tov

TO Grandparents Dr. and Mrs. Nathan Rosenthal and parents Dr. and Mrs. Stanley Lee on the birth of a son.

TO Mrs. Ida Daub on the engagement of her son Alan to Miss Sarah Goldman.

TO Mr. Jules Klein on the marriage of his daughter Andree to Mr. Marcus Klein.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Klein on their Wedding Anniversary, October 25th.

TO Judge and Mrs. Bernard Botein on their 10th wedding anniversary, October 14th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Leo Friedman on their 40th wedding anniversary, November 6th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Alexander E. Arnstein, on their 20th wedding anniversary, November 6th.

Lively Discussion

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Self Rule

Rabbi Noveck described the "enlightened despotism" under the caliphs which led Moslem countries to leave the Jews alone, only collecting taxes from them and compelling them to wear badges. He described the self rule of the Jews in those times, which was carried out with much pomp. The Exilarch was made as like a king as possible, though he was elected. In conjunction with him ruled the two Gaonim, the heads of the Academies, who corresponded with Jews all over the world, issuing directives.

Two months a year, the Rabbi said, it was customary for Jews in those days to leave their work and come to study intensively at an Academy.

Revolt

The Rabbi described the revolt of the Karaites, still extant in small numbers, against the laws of the Talmud. He explained that theirs was an attempt to return strictly to the rules set forth in the Bible, and that such an attempt must fail because changing conditions make interpretation indispensible.

Saadia Gaon, the greatest of the Gaonim, was a case in point, Rabbi Noveck said, of how unfortunate circumstances can bring blessings. Saadia was deposed from the Academy for political reasons, and as a result had time to produce his most important works. His translation of the Bible into Arabic, in turn, was made partly as a refutation to the dicta of the Karaites.

Synagogue Library Welcomes All Congregation Members

Mr. Martin Leichtling, Principal of the Religious School of the Park Avenue Synagogue, announces that the Religious School Library is now in operation, and that any adult member of the congregation is eligible to borrow books for one or two weeks. Library hours are from 2:30 to 5:30 P.M., Mondays through Thursdays. Persons wishing to obtain books are directed to the Secretary of the Religious School, who is available in the school office.

Information on all subjects of Jewish interest can be found in the library. The complete writings of Rabbi Milton Steinberg are available, as well as historical works, materials on Holy Days and Festivals, and songs and stories for children.

New Couples To Be Guests at Supper

All young married couples who were not members of the group last year are invited to be the guests of the Young Marrieds at the Dutch Supper on Sunday, October 29th, at 6:30. The festive supper will be held in the Vestry of the Synagogue to bring together old and new members. It is to be the group's first social affair of the season.

Mr. Warren Ringler is Refreshment Chairman. Table arrangements are being planned by Mrs. Norman Cohen and Mrs. Arthur Ochs. Mr. Sid Silverman, Mr. Marvin Cohen, Dr. Marvin Robinson, Mr. Robert Hoffman and Mrs. Marvin Ringler are arranging the program.

The next meeting of the Young Marrieds will be on November 7th at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Asa Sokolow. It will be a social meeting highlighted by a discussion of current topics of the day.

At the last meeting, in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hoffman, Rabbi Jack Cohen of the Society for the Advancement of Judaism led a discussion on Jewish education.

Class Mothers Set Trips, Parties for Children

At their first meeting in the home of Mrs. Herman Helpern, the Class Mothers under the leadership of Rabbi Noveck discussed a program designed to enrich the children's Religious School life.

Class trips were planned to such points of interest as the Jewish Museum, a Hachshera farm in New Jersey, and a ship of the Israel-America line. Holiday parties at home and at the Synagogue were mapped out.

Aged Blind to Visit The Sisterhood

Sisterhood's Fifth Anniversary Party for the Aged Blind will be held on Tuesday, October 31st. Volunteers are welcome to help. All those who have cars are urged to use them. Please contact Irma Heller.

Sisterhood will hold an open meeting on Tuesday, November 21st at 1 P.M. in observance of Jewish Book Week. Rabbi Arthur Lelyveld, director of the Hillel Foundation, will discuss "Milton Steinberg, the Author." Refreshments will be served.

Anyone who can lend an old china cabinet, glass front book case, etc., should get in touch with Mrs. M. Heller at ATwater 9-5500. She is in charge of a display of Israeli religious articles which will be on sale.

Corned Beef to Star At Card Party

The Men's Club will hold its Card Party on Tuesday Evening, November 14th, at 8:15 P.M. in the vestry of the Synagogue, which will be transformed into a game room for the evening.

Canasta, bridge, gin rummy, and other games will be played. Generous prizes have been prepared.

Hot corned beef and tongue sandwiches, which were very popular refreshments at last year's party, will make their appearance again with all the trimmings.

All men are urged to attend and bring their friends.

UJA Plans Benefit "Night of Stars"

The 17th annual "Night of Stars", the UJA benefit performance, will be held this year at Madison Square Garden on Monday evening, November 20th. Mrs. Louis Grossman of our congregation is serving as Chairman of the Women's Division.

Mrs. Grossman promises that many top stars from every entertainment field will perform to make it a gala evening. She urges members of the congregation to contribute to the United Jewish Appeal in this enjoyable way. Seat prices range from $2.40 to $24.00.

Tickets are available at the UJA Building, 220 West 58th Street, COlumbus 5-2200, Mr. Zolondek's office.

Sisterhood Intensifies Luncheon Drive

The Sisterhood's Donor Luncheon will be held about one month from now, on Tuesday, December 12th. The Committee has done everything possible to insure a delightful afternoon for those who attend,—beautiful, spacious accommodations in the Grand Ballroom of the Waldorf Astoria Hotel, superb cuisine, interesting and valuable prizes, and an outstanding program. No effort has been spared to make this a memorable occasion, so that those who attend will be happy to have been present.

It will not be a happy event for the Sisterhood, however, unless the function is also a financial success, to enable the Sisterhood to accomplish its many necessary and worthy aims. There are still many raffle books in the hands of women who recognize the need to support this work, but who haven't forwarded checks for reservations. Please buy or sell the books (fifteen dollars for fifteen chances) and send your checks immediately to Mrs. Sigmund Siegel at 1349 Lexington Avenue. The purchase or sale of each book entitles you to a ticket of admission for the luncheon.

Captains and workers are urged to exert all-out effort in following up at once, (since so little time remains). They are required to attend the report meetings held every Tuesday, between 10 A.M. and noon in the Trustees' Room of the Synagogue.

Your Synagogue, your community and world Jewry will be served by the proceeds of this fund raising function.

Mr. Benjamin Sack, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, announces the appointment of Mr. Victor J. Herwitz as Chairman of the School Board to succeed Mrs. Israel B. Oseas, whose resignation was accepted with regret. Mr. Stanley Simon has been elected to the newly created office of Vice-Chairman of the School Board. The office has been created to cope with the demands of this growing branch of the Synagogue.

1950 Marks Jewish Education Year

The year 1950 has been proclaimed "Jewish Education Year" by the American Association for Jewish Education.

For the Park Avenue Synagogue Religious School, the year 1950 marks the successful completion of the first year of the Sabbath School and the establishment of a combined High School for the students from the Society for the Advancement of Judaism and the Park Avenue Synagogue.

School to Celebrate Alumni Saturday

Alumni Saturday will be celebrated by the Religious School on November 4th.

The confirmands of June 1950 and Bar Mitzvah boys of 1949-50 are invited to attend and conduct Junior Congregation Services for the day. A dignified service, large attendance of alumni and an excellent Kiddush will help to make the day a great one for the students and alumni.

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Rabbi Martin Goldfine Leads Collegiate Seminar Discussions

Rabbi Martin Goldfine led a discussion on the value of retaining Jewish identity at the first meeting of the Collegiate Seminar on Sunday, October 15th, at the Synagogue. Rabbi Goldfine is a graduate of the Jewish Theological Seminary and served as Associate Rabbi in Philadelphia. During the late war he was a Chaplain in the United States Army and associated with the Joint Distribution Committee in Greece for two years after the war. He has since been a representative of the American Jewish Committee at Paris.

Bernard Joffe was elected Chairman and Bob Witte Secretary of group activities at the meeting. Both will also serve as the group's representatives to the Intra-synagogue Council.

Plans were made at the meeting for a social event to be held during the mid-term college vacations in December, as well as for group participation in a Friday evening service.

At its next meeting on October 29th the group will continue its survey of modern Jewish life, using Rabbi Milton Steinberg's *Partisan Guide to the Jewish Problem* as the curriculum core. All students of college age are invited to the bi-weekly seminar discussions.

Close Race Marks School Campaign

The members of the Junior Congregation participated in a vigorous election campaign, ending October 14th. Varicolored posters and stirring election speeches made the choice difficult for the average voter.

When election results were tallied, it was found that President Roger Waldman, Vice-President Teddy Zucker, Secretary Marilyn Schneider and Treasurer Lee Reichman had been chosen to lead the Junior Congregation during the year 1950-51.

Keren Ami Teaches Responsibility for Others

The weekly contributions made by our students in the Religious School to Keren Ami aim at developing within our youth a consciousness of the slogan "All Jews are responsible for one another".

In a purposeful and educative manner, the child learns the art of participation in organized community life. He is taught to contribute a portion of his allowance. After a careful study of the needs and problems of the various Jewish agencies and funds, the children allocate and distribute funds through the democratic choice of their elected delegates to the Junior Congregation Synagogue Council.

During the last school year, contributions from Keren Ami collections were assigned to UJA, Federation, the Jewish Theological Seminary, Hias, Israel Orphan Asylum, Association for Jewish Education, Hebrew University, and the Red Mogen Dovid.

25 Pupils Win Board Awards

The Board of Education of the Metropolitan Council of the United Synagogue of America has announced awards to our Religious School pupils and Junior Congregants for the school year 1949-50.

Annual Achievement awards for excellence in scholarship, attendance, school service and general attitude go to: Paul Bienstock, Meryl Blau, Cecily Falkenstein, Eleanor Foa, Judith Godwin, Anthony Greenwald, Alice Helpern, Alice Heyman, Michele Kaye, John Kogan, Jack May, Robert Rifkind, Michael Rosenblum, Marilyn Schneider, Sylvia Schneider, Roger Waldman, and Theodore Zucker.

Junior Congregation Attendance Awards for 90% or better attendance during the year are awarded to: Edward Curtiss, Eleanor Foa, Martin Gold, Alice Helpern and Theodore Zucker.

School Attendance Awards for full attendance during the entire school year go to: Leroy Fass, Sandra Gevirtz, David Hoexter, Reginald Lorand, Lee Reichman and Rita Schoenbaum.

Yizkor Elohim

B. DAVE IOLA
brother of Mrs. Harold R. Starkman

LOUIS SURUT
brother of Mrs. Abraham Cohen
and Mrs. Kassel Lewis

MAX H. AKABAS
husband of Belle Akabas

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Fri. Eve., Nov. 10th, 8:30 P.M.
Rabbi Noveck will launch
Jewish Book Month.

Sermon:
"Great Jewish Books of 1950"
The Rabbi will discuss:

The Gentleman and the Jew
by Maurice Samuel

The American Jew
by Ludwig Lewisohn

In Search
by Meyer Levin

These books are available in the Synagogue Library.

They may also be purchased at the Parents' Association Annual Book Fair, November 19th-21st.

Dual Service Arranged For Thanksgiving

The annual combined Thanksgiving Service of the Society for the Advancement of Judaism and the Park Avenue Synagogue will take place this year on Thursday morning, November 23rd at 11 A.M. at the Society for the Advancement of Judaism, 15 West 86th Street.

Rabbi Noveck will be the guest speaker.

Our Delegates Go To United Synagogue 1950 Convention

Our Congregation will participate in the 1950 Biennial Convention of the United Synagogue of America, the national organization of all Conservative congregations in the United States. The convention will be held from Wednesday, November 15th through Sunday, November 19th at the Willard Hotel in Washington, D. C.

Delegates from our congregation, which is an affiliate of the United Syna-

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Drive Pushed by All Groups for Milton Steinberg Memorial

Everyone who has been at the Synagogue lately has felt the tremendous increase in activity. Work on the Milton Steinberg Memorial is under way.

The Milton Steinberg Memorial will become a reality when every member of the Synagogue evaluates his personal responsibility towards the Memorial in terms of money as well as time and the effort to help others in recognizing their responsibility.

Milton Weill and Isadore Cohen are displaying great leadership as Co-Chairmen for the Memorial.

Compliments are due Mrs. Arthur Morse who is working from morning until late at night. She has been of great help to Mr. Irving Bernstein, the professional director. Mr. Bernstein's fine background as an organizer and worker gives the assurance that with everyone's cooperation he will lead the drive to success.

A large group of sponsors is setting an example by being among the first to send generous contributions.

Men's Club

Congratulations go to Joe Katz who, as President of the Men's Club, has called for and received the support of a large group of men from his organization. It is felt that a great number of members will be solicited by the able men of the Men's Club. The following are already working on their assignments: Messrs. Herman Basking, Charles Bennet, Leon Finley, Murray Gillette, Victor J. Herwitz, Henry Howe, Morris Joffe, Edward Kaye, Samuel Kaplan, Samuel W. Lerer, James J. Leibman, Martin Miller, Arthur Morse, Lawrence A. Meyers, Simon Nusbaum, Harold Osserman, Milton Sivek, Archie I. Thurman and Max Zahler.

Sisterhood

A tea was held at the home of Mrs. I. M. Cohen to acquaint several leaders of the Sisterhood with the part theyareto play in the Milton Steinberg Memorial. Under the leadership of Mrs. Harold H. Levin as chairman and Mrs. Benjamin Sack as co-chairman a committee was formed to work on the project. All the ladies present at the tea promised to announce the pledge for their own family immediately and to secure those of several of their friends. The following ladies are among those already working on the Memorial: Mesdames Harry Altmark, Leonard Arkin, I. B. Brodsky, Ezra Cohen, Abraham Geller, Edward Peiper, Benjamin Sack, Milton Sivek, Samuel Wimpfheimer.

Parents' Association

The Parents' Association has formed a committee under the chairmanship of Mr. Stanley Simon for work on the Memorial. Messrs. George Heyman, Bernard Weintraub, Mrs. Harriet Howe, Mrs. Lillian Helpern and Mrs. Vic Wimpfheimer are serving on this Committee. Their plans are already in operation. They are giving their fullest support to the Memorial.

Young Married Groups

Both Young Marrieds "A" and Young Marrieds "B" are doing a splendid job among their own members as well as other members of the Congregation. Mr. Harold Warshaw as Chairman of Young Marrieds "B" has begun to report the excellent results of the work of his Committee.

Junior League

The Junior League's Memorial Drive chairman, Judy Klenert, has reported many contributions from the group which is working to make the Memorial a credit to the Synagogue.

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The following are excerpts from the sermon preached by Rabbi Noveck on Kol Nidre night, launching the drive for the Milton Steinberg Memorial Fund.

. . . What are the commitments and obligations from which the Kol Nidre does not release us? What are these vows we dare not break?

First there is a vow to the Jewish people—to identify ourselves with the Jewish community and not go about with a Hamlet-like soliloqy: "To be or not to be a Jew."

Secondly, there is a commitment to a tradition—not to look upon Judaism as a "piece of stubborn antiquity" or as the "dead hand of the past" but to have a reverent attachment to the sources of our belief and to do what we can to make this tradition live.

Thirdly, every Jew has a vow to a Synagogue—to be part of some congregational fellowship that is dedicated to make the tradition live. You, gathered here tonight, have a vow to this Synagogue you dare not break.

Vow to our Synagogue

This vow stems from many sources. Every Synagogue has a moral imperative to provide adequate educational facilities for its younger generation. In our tradition it is written "Talmud Torah kneged kulam," the study of Torah is more important than all the other religious obligations. At times it may be necessary to make sacrifices in order to fulfil this commandment.

Lengthened Shadow

It was the great American Emerson who once wrote that every institution is the lengthened shadow of a man. The Park Avenue Synagogue has literally been the lengthened shadow of Milton Steinberg. Most of you were attracted to this synagogue by him. You sat at his feet. You listened to his magnificent sermons. You attended his brilliant lectures. You came to him with your personal problems.

Last Request

This great teacher left you a last request. He followed the Jewish tradition and left a special kind of will—an ethical will . . . Do you know the story of his last hours? As he faced the problems of life so did he face death—with faith and courage, with a smile and a joke . . .

What he wanted was not a pretentious structure, not a show place for the world but a building which would meet the minimum needs of his congregation. He had waited for ten years in his own patient way for this to come true.

One of his last columns in the BULLETIN was dedicated to this subject. Read it again and look between the lines. The last request of a teacher who gave so much must have an effect upon us. To carry out this request is a vow we dare not break.

Cultural Memorial

But even if Milton Steinberg hadn't asked for such a building, even if there were no last requests, surely we would want to set up some memorial where his scholarship could be carried forward, his books and his manuscripts could be on display and his emphasis on Adult Education could be continued.

Surely we want to set up a shrine right here or nearby in the form of an educational and cultural center that will make the tradition he believed in live.

Three Symbols

In ancient Israel there were three symbols by which the people were called together: the trumpet—the symbol of kingly authority; the shofar—the symbol of calamity; and the harp—the symbol of love. When the call came to support the Jewish State, and to rally to the support of our brethren in Europe—the calls of authority and calamity—you responded.

Will you now respond to the call of love, the call of a man who had more love in his heart than any man I have ever met? Will you keep your vows?

The future of our people, of its tradition and of this institution is in your hands.

letter to the editor

Following Rabbi Noveck's sermon, "Conservative Judaism Takes A Stand," many voices necessarily remained unheard in the general discussion because of the lack of time. The editor urges members of the congregation and anyone else who is so moved to express his views in these columns on the important problems that face Conservative Jews as they attempt to synthesize their modern lives with the Jewish heritage. Readers and writers will benefit from such a discussion.

Please address your letters to the editor of the BULLETIN, in care of the Synagogue.

The following letter has already reached the desk of the editor:

Editor:

Striking in Rabbi Noveck's sermon Friday night, though not touched upon directly, was the link existing between the Park Avenue Synagogue and the Jewish Theological Seminary. He made it clear that as a synagogue we are not an autonomous religious body but part of a movement embracing over five hundred synagogues.

This fact in our organizational life is too often overlooked because of the importance that each of us gives to the Synagogue as a separate institution. Actually it is not an isolated organization but part of the United Synagogue. We happen to be regarded as one of the important children of the Seminary.

As members of this congregation who have embraced Conservative Judaism as the motif of our religious life, we must all remember that its survival depends on our suport of the varied activities of the Seminary. In doing this we strengthen the foundation of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

We must not neglect the Seminary because of our pre-occupation with other causes.

BENJAMIN SACK.

Judge Steinbrink to Occupy Pulpit, Friday November 17th

New York State Supreme Court Justice Meier Steinbrink, national chairman of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, will speak at the Park Avenue Synagogue on November 17th. He has long been an outstanding national figure in the field of human relations and interfaith activities.

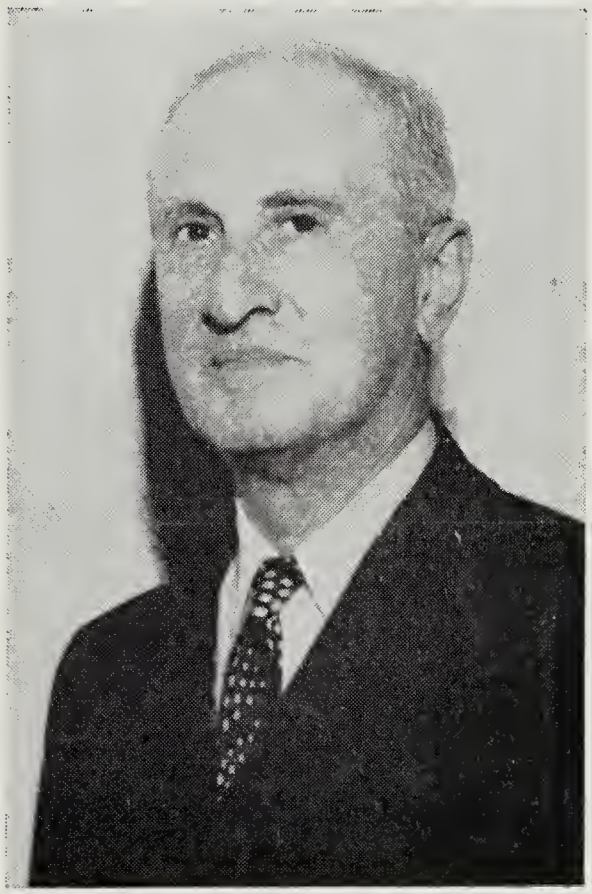
Brooklyn Childhood

Born in 1880, Judge Steinbrink was brought up and received his preliminary education in Brooklyn. After attending Boys' High he entered New York University for the study of law and was admitted to the bar in 1901.

Ten years later he was named prosecuting attorney in the Willett judiciary scandal. In 1912 he was nominated by the GOP in New York for the office of State Attorney General.

GOP Leader

He served without compensation as counsel for Catholic interests in the wiretapping case of 1916 and was associated with the late Chief Justice Charles Evan Hughes in the aircraft investigation of 1918. The following year he became counsel for the congressional committee investigating war debt expenditures. He was appointed Special Assistant to the U. S. Attorney General in 1922. In 1929 he became Republican Leader of Kings County (Brooklyn).



JUSTICE MEYER STEINBRINK

Justice Steinbrink was elected to the State Supreme Court in 1932 and reelected in 1946.

He has served with the Jewish Aid Society, Brooklyn Federation of Jewish Charities, the Juvenile Probation Association, Brooklyn Hebrew Orphan Asylum, Elks, and Congregation Beth Elohim.

Since 1946 has served as National Chairman of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith. He holds the degree of Doctor of Hebrew Letters from Hebrew Union College.

Ritual Committee To Discuss Accent

The first meeting of the Ritual Committee will take place on Wednesday evening, November 8th at 8:30 P.M. in the Trustees' Room of the Synagogue. Topics on the agenda for this meeting: Ritual standards to be observed on the Synagogue premises; substitution of the Sephardic accent for the ashkenazic in the Synagogue ritual; ways of increasing the attendance at the Daily Minyan; an evaluation of the High Holy Day and Succoth services.

Chairman of the Ritual Committee is Mr. Archie Thurman. Other members of the Committee include: Dr. E. D. Friedman, Mr. Samuel Grand, Mr. Milton N. Grass, Mr. Louis Heller, Mr. Jacob Klein, Mr. Melvin Krulewitch, Mr. Kassel Lewis, Mr. Israel B. Oseas, Mr. Nelson Ruttenberg, Mr. Moe Turman.

WANTED

Men and women with Jewish hearts who are genuinely interested in wanting to transform the dream Milton Steinberg had for a school and center into a living memorial. Your assistance can shorten the time between now and the time when this dream will come true! Phone the Memorial office immediately — SAcramento 2-5427 and tell us you want to help us work and/or tell us the amount of your own pledge without waiting to be solicited.

The Committee.

Magic, Refreshments Gifts, Books, to Set Tone of The Fair

Magic, books and bibelots will capture the interest of the small fry at the Annual Book Fair of the Parents' Association during the week of November 19th.

Bozada the Magician

Bozada the Magician will perform on the second day of the fair—from 3 to 5:30 P. M. on Monday, November 20th. Headlined as "the most versatile sorcerer the world has ever known", he will perform feats "never before seen outside of India and China." Refreshments will be served.

The committee, under the leadership of Mrs. Aaron Schoenbaum, has compiled a large display of Jewish books and records, as well as gifts made in Israel, which will go on sale.

Three Days

The exhibit will be shown for the first time on Sunday morning, November 19th, from 10 to 1 P.M.. The second session is scheduled for the school children the following afternoon. Monday evening the Fair will be open from 9 to 11 P.M. for members of the Adult Education courses and all others who wish to come. The final session will take place on Tuesday, November 21st, after the Sisterhood meeting.

Working with Mrs. Schoenbaum as co-chairmen are Mrs. Stanley Simon and Mrs. Harry Zucker.

Workshop to Plan Season of Lights

The Hanukah workshop will meet for the first time from 1 to 3 P.M. on Thursday, November 9th, at the home of Mrs. Stanley Simon, Chairman, 44 E. 67th St. The workshop, conducted by the Parents' Association, is open to all who wish to attend.

The course was planned by Mrs. Simon and by Miss Suretsky of the Jewish Education Committee. It is based on Markowitz' book, *Leading a Jewish Life in the Modern World.*

The first session will be devoted to a study of holiday stories, records and adult books. At the second session, which will take place from 1 to 3 P.M., November 13th, a film, *How to Give a Hanukah Party*, will be shown.

Adult Education Audience to Trace Crusades and Medieval Jewish Life

On November 10th, in his 9 o'clock lecture, Rabbi Noveck will trace the beginnings of the Jewish communities of France and Germany. He will describe the attitude of the Church toward Judaism before the Crusades and the impact of the Crusades. He will deal with the edicts of Pope Innocent III and the life of the Jews of England until their expulsion.

On November 20th he will turn to Rashi and the development of Medieval Jewish scholarship.

Yehuda Halevi and Moses Maimonides figured in Rabbi Noveck's major lecture in the Adult Education Series on October 30th.

Yehuda Halevi

It has been said of Halevi, the Rabbi related, that he visited the treasurehouse of song—and that when he left it, he closed the gate behind him. There is a story that when God created the soul of Halevi, He was so enraptured by it that He kissed it. Yehuda Halevi, wealthy, respected physician living in a tranquil environment, yet originated the phrase, "I am in the West but my heart is in the East."

Rambam

The major portion of the lecture was concerned with Maimonides, affectionately known as "Rambam." The Rabbi outlined the life of the 12th century philosopher who wrote much of his work while fleeing persecution and who rose to the important position of court physician, when he was so busy that he had only one meal a day and had to prescribe for his patients while lying down from sheer exhaustion.

The Rabbi discussed the works of Maimonides and stressed that they are quoted as authority today although immediately after his death and for a hundred years thereafter they caused a split in Jewish ranks which led to the burning of his books in the market place and even, in one black chapter of Jewish history, to the calling in of Dominicans to quell the distribution of his works.

Origin of Philosophy

The Rabbi pointed out that the men of the Talmud had never concerned themselves with metaphysics or tried to prove the existence of God. They took the physical universe for granted. Their problems were ethical and practical ones.

Reconstructionist Parallel

But for Maimonides, living in a Western culture, it was necessary to reconcile his deep Jewish beliefs with Aristotelian philosophy. There were many Jews in his day who were shocked and frightened at such an endeavor, just as there are Jews today who are shocked at the attempts of the Reconstructionist Movement to reconcile Judaism with science and with the modern idiom, Rabbi Noveck said.

There can be no abstract philosophy, he maintained, until our beliefs are challenged by a foreign culture. Only through doubts and their resolution can fresh philosophy flower. He cited Philo as the first Jewish philosopher, but said that Philo always remained outside the main stream of Jewish thought.

Pros and Cons

Following the lecture there was lively discussion of the parallels Rabbi Noveck had drawn between Maimonides and Dr. Mordecai Kaplan. Various opinions were expressed as to the value of the work of each, and the advisability of tampering with authoritative works in order to reinterpret them for our day.

Mazel Tov

TO Mr. and Mrs. David Hoexter on the marriage of their granddaughter, Carol Bauer, to Murray Tuchman.

TO Mr. Louis Goode, son of the late Mrs. F. V. Gutman on his marriage to Barbara Marcourt on April 3, 1949.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Mortimer D. Millheiser on the engagement of their daughter, Dora Joan, to Eugene Holt.

TO grandparents Dr. and Mrs. Harold Osserman and parents Mr. and Mrs. George Osserman on the birth of a daughter.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Maxwell Shapiro on the engagement of their daughter, Millicent Sandra, to Morton P. Cummings.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Julian Jacobs on their 18th wedding anniversary, November 11th.

Mrs. Milton Steinberg would appreciate it very much if anyone who had borrowed Rabbi Milton Steinberg's books would be good enough to return them.

Rabbi Noveck to Address Men's Club Card Party

Rabbi Noveck will review current Jewish events before the Men's Club card party on Tuesday evening, November 14th, at 8:15.

He will discuss the cabinet crisis in Israel, the status of the Jews in South America, the significance of the recent conference in Washington, and books of Jewish interest which have been published this month.

The Vestry will be transformed into a game room where, after the Rabbi's discssion, canasta, bridge, gin rummy and other games will be played. Hot corned beef and tongue sandwiches with all the trimmings will be served.

All men are cordially invited.

Rabbi to Lecture At Seminary, Ivriah

Rabbi Noveck will be the guest speaker at the Annual Membership Tea of the Ivriah to be held at the Hotel Pierre on Monday, November 20th. His topic will be "Jewish Education and Jewish Survival".

Ivriah is the only Jewish women's organization in the country primarily concerned with Jewish education. It sponsors the Beth Hayeled School for children from three to nine.

On Tuesday, October 24th, Rabbi Noveck addressed a local chapter of Ivriah meeting at the Beth Hayeled School on West 74th Street. His subject was "Jewish Ethical Wills".

The Rabbi is also giving a series of lectures on Wednesday evenings at the Seminary School of Jewish Studies on "The Sociology of the American Jewish Community". The purpose of these lectures is to bring to bear the findings of the Social Sciences upon the study of contemporary American Jewish life.

"Milton Steinberg, the Author" to be Rabbi Lelyveld's Book Month Topic

RABBI ARTHUR J. LELYVELD

Rabbi Arthur J. Lelyveld, National Director of the B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundations, will address the Sisterhood on Tuesday, November 21st at 1 P.M. in observance of Jewish Book Month. His topic will be, "Milton Steinberg, the Author".

Formerly Rabbi of Temple Israel in Omaha, Nebraska, Rabbi Lelyveld was called to serve as Executive Director and National Vice-Chairman of the Committee on Unity for Palestine of the Zionist Organization of America. In that post he travelled to every State of the Union and directed a nationwide program of education and interpretation of the idea of a Jewish State. In Omaha he headed the Industrial Relations Committee of the Omaha Urban League, was Chairman of the Omaha Fair Employment Practice Council and served as Public Panel Chairman for the War Labor Board. He is Chairman of the Committee on Rabbinical Recruitment of the Central Conference of American Rabbis.

Youth Leader

A member of the Executive Committee of the American Zionist Youth Commission and of the Board of Governors of the Brandeis Youth Foundation, he is also founder of the National Federation of Temple Youth and was at one time editor of *The Youth Leader*, published by the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

Rabbi Lelyveld is a native of New York City. He attended Columbia University where he received his Bachelor of Arts Degree and was elected to Phi Beta Kappa in 1933. He was ordained as Rabbi at the Hebrew Union College, receiving the degree of M.H.L. in 1939.

Hillel

Rabbi Lelyveld came to Hillel as Associate National Director in 1946 and succeeded Dr. A. L. Sachar in the National Directorship on January 1, 1948. He is the author of several articles in the *Universal Jewish Encyclopedia*, and was recently elected a member of the Publications Committee of the Jewish Publications Society of America.

Cantor Putterman Will Lead Young Marrieds Talk

Cantor Putterman will lead the Young Marrieds in a discussion on Jewish music and its influence in the home on Thursday, December 7th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Ochs, Jr. He will emphasize Hanukah music. Members wishing to attend should contact Mr. and Mrs. Ochs.

On November 7th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Asa Sokolow, Mrs. Hertzel Fishman addressed the group. Mrs. Fishman has recently returned from Israel; her topic was, "Israel Today."

At the Dutch Supper last month, many new couples joined the Young Marrieds group. Dr. Marvin Robinson, president of the group, announced that the success of the supper was due to the time and efforts contributed by many of the regular members.

Let us remember our people—our aged, our sick, our poor and despairing, our children. There but for the grace of God we see ourselves or our dear ones.

The goal that has been set by the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies is a great one—$20,000,000. That of the Women's Division of the Park Avenue Synagogue is a mere tenth of one per cent of this figure. How little that amount to us—how great to those waiting for entrance to a hospital, a foster home, a home for the aged and ill. LET US NOT KEEP THEM WAITING!

Open your hearts and your checkbooks and send all you can, more than you can, to Mrs. Henry Howe, chairman, 240 East 79th Street, New York 21, N. Y.

Group Offers Recreation To Persons Over Sixty

The Park Avenue Synagogue is contributing money and service to the Yorkville Neighborhood Club, newly organized by the Yorkville Civic Council with the cooperation of the YMHA, YWHA, neighborhood churches and synagogues and other interested persons and institutions.

The Club is established to provide a recreation center for persons over 60 years of age, of all creeds and races. It will help them maintain wholesome relationships with others through the creative use of their leisure time.

Sponsored by the Yorkville Civic Council, it is housed at the 92nd Street YMHA with a non-sectarian board.

The program includes music, crafts and group activities to meet interests expressed by the membership and as leadership is available. Activities take place Monday through Friday from 10 A.M. to 4 P.M.

Jacques Abram To Perform at Luncheon

Jacques Abram, eminent pianist, has consented to perform at the Sisterhood Donor Luncheon on Tuesday, December 12th, at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel.

Mr. Abram made his debut with the Philadelphia Philharmonic Orchestra, and has since received high tribute as soloist with almost every major philharmonic orchestra in the United States. He will share spotlight honors with other celebrated performers whose names will appear in the next issue of the BULLETIN.

The women of the congregation are urged to make their reservations at once by forwarding checks to Mrs. Sigmund Siegel, 1349 Lexington Avenue. The $15 which you give or get for each raffle book will entitle you to a ticket of admission to a beautiful luncheon, an outstanding program, and the opportunity to win one or more of 55 valuable prizes including a fox stole. Sisterhood depends on the financial support of all to carry on its vital work.

Our Delegates Go

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gogue of America, include Rabbi Noveck, Cantor Putterman, Mr. Israel Oseas and others.

Program

The convention program will be highlighted by four special sessions on the findings of the National Survey which the United Synagogue undertook last Spring on Synagogue Attendance, Elementary Jewish Education, Adult Jewish Education and Youth Work in Conservative Congregations. As will be recalled, our congregation participated in this Survey.

Topics

The following sessions have been scheduled: *SEMINARS*: "Rabbi and Congregation; Reaching the Unaffiliated; Problems of the Ritual Committee; Financing Your Congregation; Intensifying Hebrew in the Curriculum; Youth Work and Its Problems; Music for Your Synagogue; a Recreational Program for Your Congregation." *WORKSHOPS*: "Pre-School Jewish Education (A demonstration of mechanics in the Nursery School); Public Relations for Your Congregation and Feeling the Pulse of Public Opinion in Your Congregation."

The convention will be keynoted by Dr. Solomon Goldman of Chicago and wil be climaxed by the conferring of the Solomon Schechter Award to one Congregation for outstanding achievements during the past two years.

High School Parents Discuss Curriculum

At a recent meeting the parents of the students of the combined High School recently instituted by the Park Avenue Synagogue and the Society for the Advancement of Judaism, had an opportunity to learn more about the aims and the curriculum of the new school.

Mr. Sam Grand of the Jewish Education Committee described the origin of the school; Rabbi Jack Cohen outlined the curriculum for the year and Rabbi Simon Noveck discussed the relationship of the school to the individual member synagogues.

After meeting the teaching staff of the school, the parents offered many suggestions and comments.

Jewish Museum Excites Students

The classes of the Religious School are visiting the Jewish Museum, 92nd Street and Fifth Avenue, during the month of November to view the display of dioramas tracing the history of the Jewish people from Biblical days to the creation of the modern State of Israel.

Impressed by the exhibit and by other features of the museum that they were able to glimpse on this trip, many of the students have promised to pay a second visit to the museum accompanied by their parents.

Luncheon Welcomes New Religious School Mothers

To welcome the mothers whose children are attending the Religious School this year for the first time, the Parents' Association gave a dessert luncheon on Tuesday afternoon, October 31st, at the Synagogue. Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer, president of the Parents' Association, explained the set-up of the organization and invited volunteers to join the working committees.

Rabbi Noveck discussed the curriculum and philosophy of the three-day school.

The arrangements committee for the luncheon included Mrs. Milton Helpern, Mrs. Meyer Kaplan, Mrs. Bruno Foa and Mrs. Joseph Janovic.

Junior League Offers An Informal Dance

Sunday evening, November 12th, at 8 P.M., the Junior League will hold an informal dance in the vestry of the Synagogue. All young people are cordially invited to partake of refreshments and dancing.

Shirley Klein and Lester Burger are co-chairmen of the affair.

In the last issue of the BULLETIN the name of Rabbi Marvin Goldfine was misspelled due to a typographical error.

School Board to Meet Thursday, November 9th

The first meeting of the School Board for the current season will take place on Thursday evening, November 9th. Among topics to be discussed will be the problem of lifting the standards of our Religious School to conform with those of the Board of Education of the United Synagogue, the introduction of the Israeli accent to replace the Ashkenazic accent in the Religious School and the general youth program.

A complete report on the organization and progress of the Religious School and the youth program will be submitted by Mr. Martin Leichtling, the Principal. Rabbi Noveck will outline the organization and the progress of the new High School set up this year by our Synagogue and the Society for the Advancement of Judaism.

The newly appointed Chairman of the School board is Mr. Victor J. Herwitz; Mr. Stanley Simon is Vice-Chairman; other members of the School Board include: Mr. Bernard Bienstock, Mrs. Abram Blau, Mrs. Isaac Brodsky, Mrs. Victor J. Herwitz, Mrs Henry Howe, Mrs. Simon H. Rifkind, Mr. Nelson Ruttenberg, Mr. Milton Selig, Mrs. Stanley Simon, Mr. Archie Thurman, Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer.

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FRIDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 24th
8:30 P.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach:
"Can Judaism Survive Behind the Iron Curtain?"

Saturday, Dec. 2nd To See the Return Of Afternoon Study

The Adult Education Committee takes pleasure in announcing the re-opening of the popular Saturday Afternoon Discussion Group which meets in the Synagogue for the study of the "Pirke Avoth", the Ethics of the Fathers. Our readers and their friends are invited to attend the first session of the new season on December 2nd at 4:30 P.M., and each Saturday thereafter.

The series will be led jointly by our own Rabbi Simon Noveck and guest rabbis whom he will invite.

The existence of a group of this nature continues an old Jewish tradition of devoting the period of Sabbath between the Minchah and Maariv services to

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Jane Pickens to Star At Donors Luncheon

Jane Pickens, star of musical comedy, radio and television, will head the program of the Sisterhood's 55th Annual Donors Luncheon at the Waldorf Astoria on December 12th. The Georgia beauty is a member of the famous Pickens Sisters team.

Those who attend will agree that the committee exerted every effort in fulfilling its promise to make this a memorable occasion. The program will be

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Iron Curtain Jews Topic of Sermon

In his sermon on Friday evening, November 24th, Rabbi Noveck will discuss the status of the Jew in Russia and in the satellite countries - Hungary, Roumania, Czechoslovakia.

He will analyze the rapidly deteriorating position of the Jews in these countries and trace the problems facing survivors. discussing the new form of anti-Semitism which has arisen in the Soviet Union, and cite the challenge to Jewish survival in Russia.

He will discuss the relationship between Russia and Israel.

Memorial Campaign Approaches 25% Mark

$116,000 of the $500,000 Goal Already Pledged

Over one fifth of our Milton Steinberg Memorial goal has now been reached. All members of our synagogue have pledged themselves to raise the remaining four fifths necessary to bring this memorial into actuality.

Every group in the Synagogue has responded wholeheartedly to the urgent call for workers as well as for financial aid to accomplish the most important undertaking in which the Synagogue has ever joined—the desire to fulfill the wish of our beloved Milton Steinberg to have a School and a Center in which to teach all the great ideals of our wonderful Jewish heritage.

Junior League

The Junior League deserves special mention for the response every individ-

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HANUKAH

Hanukah begins on Sunday evening, December 3rd. Light one candle on that evening and one additional candle each evening until December 10th. The last day of Hanukah is December 11th. Do not forget to give your children a gift on each night of Hanukah.

John Silo, John Hardt Will Top the Annual Hanukah Celebration

John Hardt, baritone, and Jon Silo, humorist with the Yiddish Art Theatre, will star at the annual Hanukah celebration sponsored jointly this year by the Sisterhood and the Men's Club on Sunday evening, December 3rd, 8 P. M.

Refreshments

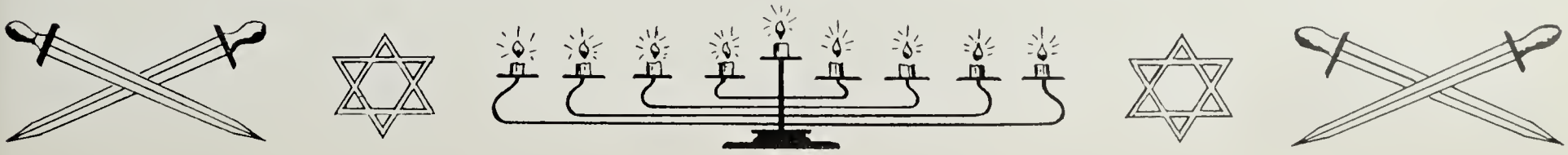
Cantor Putterman will chant the blessing over the Hanukah lights. Refreshments will be served and the traditional Hanukah games and songs will fill the evening.

John Hardt, formerly of Berlin, is a well-known cantor and concert artist. He will present Jewish folk songs as well as numbers from light opera.

Humorist

Jon Silo has been featured on the radio program, "Americans by Choice". He will offer vivid humorous and satirical characterizations based on American Jewish life and folklore, both in Yiddish and English.

Mrs. Charles Bennet and Mr. Victor J. Herwitz are joint sponsors of the affair.



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from the desk of Rabbi Noveck

The following excerpts are taken from the sermon delivered by Rabbi Noveck on November 10th in honor of Jewish Book Month under the title "Is A Jewish Culture in America possible?"

What are the requirements for producing a living creative Jewish culture in America? The first prerequisite is that the novels, plays, poetry and essays, produced by American Jews, be not only on universal and general themes but on subjects of Jewish content. American Jews have made great contributions to American literature. One thinks of Elmer Rice and Sidney Kingsley in the field of the drama, of Edna Ferber and Fannie Hurst in the realm of the novel, of Walter Lippman and the late Simeon Strunsky in journalism. But how many of these writers have made contributions to Jewish literature?

Material Lies Untouched

There are so many areas of Jewish life that are crying for interpretation: the recent great tragedy of our people—ghastly, horrible, and yet dramatic in its implications; the drama of the birth of Israel; the epic of two million people transplanting themselves from the old world to the new; great personalities in the Bible such as David or Amos about whom only Christians have written thus far. What a wonderful psychological novel could be written about the life of the moody King Saul and what wonderful material lies untouched in the lives of the Hebrew prophets! There is, of course, a Ludwig Lewisohn, a Maurice Samuel, and a Milton Steinberg who have written on such Jewish themes, but we need many more to follow in their footsteps.

Spirit of Judaism

Secondly, a book to be part of a Jewish culture must be written in the spirit of Judaism with a positive attitude toward the Jewish people and its problem. Look at the books on Jewish subjects that are most popular in America today: Laura V. Hobson's "Gentlemen's Agreement", Arthur Miller's "Focus", Cecil Roth's "The Jewish Contribution to Civilization"—all on the theme of anti-Semitism or apologetics.

Three New Books

Three books have appeared recently that show a positive spirit about Jewish life, all three by men who have devoted a lifetime to Jewish literature: Ludwig Lewisohn in his "The American Jew", Maurice Samuel in his "The Gentleman and the Jew" and Meyer Levin in his "In Search." Each one of these writers is in search of an integrated life pattern as an American and as a Jew and each is motivated by a spirit of love for his people and of hope for the future. We must not embrace completely the philosophy of the "gentleman", Maurice Samuel tells us, of life as a game with competition, fair play and combativeness as the essential element. The prophetic message should still have great meaning for those who want to live the good life. The galut, Lewisohn points out with fervor, must be transformed by Jews in the diaspora into a creative civilization that will make the Jew proud of his Judaism.

Jewish Audience

But if Jewish culture is to flower in America, there is a third requirement necessary—the creation of a Jewish audience. No writer can give his best unless he knows there are readers that await his work.

Jewish Book Month

The purpose of Jewish Book Month is to focus our attention on this important problem—how to build a Jewish culture in America, which like the Golden Age in Spain will give expression to the ideals of our era and beauty and dignity to the life of the Jew.

letter to the editor

We reprint in part a letter received by the Ritual Committee. Your comments and reactions are urgently invited.

I hold that Conservative Judaism is ultimately a movement of transiency which will perish when Orthodoxy comes to self-consciousness of its responsibility both to reasonable intellect and to undogmatic piety . . . If successful rapport is to be established between tradition and the modern mind it must be accomplished without compromise or hedging.

In view of this I make three criticisms of our ritual . . .

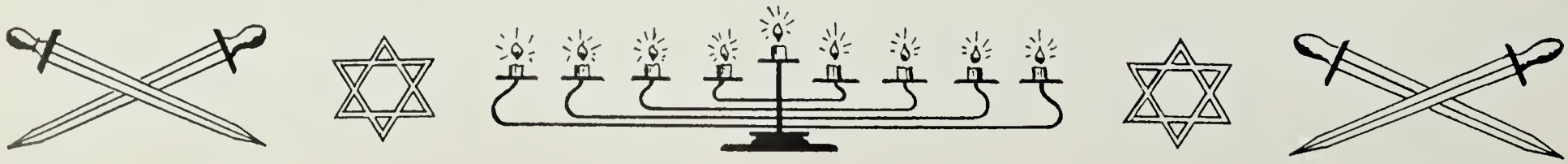
1. At Sabbath services I have heard as many as three alternate barachot recited over the Torah. This is not only unseemly, but indicative as well of intellectual indeciciveness . . . For my part I prefer and believe I can justify the use of the baracha which contains the "asher bacha banu m'cal ha-ammim."

2. The reading of the Torah on Sabbath is often, if not always, a perfunctory gesture to tradition . . . We are so much possessed by time and punctuality in our services that often the impression is communicated that we are running a railway rather than a religion . . . Prayer can never be carried on on schedule . . . to shorten the reading of Torah is to convert it into a symbol, which assuredly it is not. We must never forget that Torah is to be studied while read . .

3. Bar Mitzvah Bachurim ought not to be permitted to select their Haftarot. Judaism is not only ease, pleasure, and lucidity. There is a great deal that is strenuous to the intellect . . . For this reason Judaism produced Midrash, Agadah, and exegesis . . . To dignify tradition with respect and to struggle with the mind are equally indispensable.

Of course generally and without any reservation I would stand behind any movement that would do away with the Reconstructionist Prayer Book . . .

ARTHUR COHEN.



Men's Club Sabbath to Feature Sermon by Rabbi Joel S. Geffen

Rabbi Joel S. Geffen

Rabbi Joel S. Geffen, spiritual and administrative adviser of the National Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs, will inaugurate a series of monthly services to be sponsored by various groups of the Synagogue.

Occupying the pulpit on Friday Evening, December 1st, he will preach the sermon on the Men's Club Sabbath. His topic will be "Spiritual Abortion versus Creative Living."

The following members of the Men's Club will conduct the service: Mr. Joseph Howard Katz, President; Mr. Archie I. Thurman, 1st Vice President; the Honorable Maxwell Shapiro; Dr. Ira Fink; and Mr. Jacob W. Boorstein.

Oneg Shabbat

There will be an Oneg Shabbat in the vestry after the service.

Rabbi Geffen is the Associate Director of the Department of Field Activities and Community Service of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America. He served for fifteen years as spiritual leader of Temple Beth El in Troy, New York.

Before coming to the latter city, he founded Temple Beth El in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, which congregation he headed for two years. He also served as spiritual adviser to Jewish students and naval cadets at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and Russell Sage College in Troy.

He is the author of *A Survey of the Status of Jewish Education in the Capital District Region of New York State*, and is an editor of the *Torch*, official publication of the National Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs.

Director of Field Activities

As Director of the Field Activities of the Seminary, Rabbi Geffen is in close contact with congregations throughout the country.

Born in Atlanta, Georgia, the son of Rabbi Tobias Geffen, he received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Emory University there. He trained for the rabbinate at the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, receiving his ordination in 1926. He received the degree of Master of Arts at the New York State College for Teachers.

Civilian Services

After the outbreak of the war, Rabbi Geffen assisted in setting up the Troy Office of Civilian Defense, was active in the Troy War Council, and chairman of its Civilian Services Division.

Rabbi Geffen is a member of the Rabbinical Assembly of America, the Zionist Organization, the Synagogue Council of America, B'nai B'rith, the Foreign Policy Association, and the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. He is a former President of the New York State Zionist Region.

Beth Hayeled School

Rabbi Geffen is a member of the National Jewish Committee on Scouting and of the Board of Governors of the National Academy of Adult Jewish Studies of the Seminary. Rabbi Geffen is a member of the national faculty of the Leaders' Training Fellowship of the Teachers Institute of the Seminary and of the Board of Directors of the Beth Hayeled School in New York City, the outstanding experimental Jewish Foundation School in this country.

Cantor Will Stress Music For Hanukah In Young Marrieds Talk

Cantor Putterman will emphasize ways in which music can imbue the home with the spirit of Hanukah, when he speaks to the Young Marrieds at their meeting Thursday evening, December 7th.

His topic will be, "The Influence of Jewish Music in the Home", with emphasis on the festival songs of Hanukah.

The meeting is to take place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Ochs, Jr.

Men's Club to Hear Head of New School

Dr. Hans Simons, President of the New School for Social Research, will address the Men's Club meeting on Tuesday evening, December 12th at 8:15 P.M. in the vestry of the Synagogue.

Dr. Simons' topic will be, "Western Germany—New Ally?"

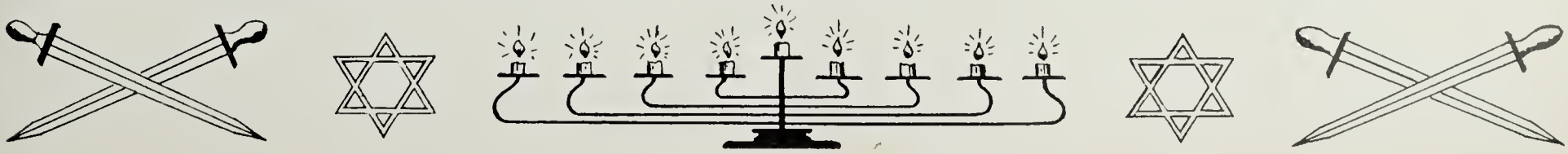
Dr. Simons was born in Germany, the son of Walter Simons, Prime Minister, Chief Justice and Acting President of the Weimar Republic. He received degrees from leading universities in Europe.

From 1947 to 1949 he represented the United States in Germany in the Office of Military Government.

You may wonder each year whether appeals for help will ever end. Will the day come when there will be no sick, no needy, no poor?

The work of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies is a continuing process. As one bed in a hospital is vacated, or one room in a home is emptied, some one is anxiously waiting to fill that space. As one seat in a clinic anteroom is freed—three are waiting to fill it.

Let us help our brothers and sisters to find that empty bed, that vacant room, that unused chair. Federation will open the doors to help—let us find the means for them to find the way. Send your checks to Mrs. Henry Howe, Chairman, 240 East 79th St., New York 21, N. Y.



High School Seminar Weighs Current Problems

Twenty-five boys and girls of high school age, who last year had been inspired by Rabbi Steinberg to continue their Jewish studies and had the privilege of a seminar with him, are continuing the tradition of Jewish scholarship and have enrolled in the High School Seminar Group conducted on alternate Sunday mornings by Mr. Morton Leifman of the Jewish Theological Seminary. Meetings are held at the synagogue or at the home of a seminar member.

Modern Parallels

The young people are discussing Jewish history from the days of the Babylonian captivity. As philosophic currents and everyday problems of a period are examined and discussed, modern parallels often suggest themselves.

Religion in the State

An evaluation of the contributions of Ezra and Nehemiah led to a discussion of inter-marriage in present day America; the place of the High Priest returning from exile suggested a discussion on the place of religion in the modern state, especially in the new state of Israel.

More Members Welcome

Members of the group include Carol Bennet, Stephen Bernstein, Richard Druss, Anne Ehrenthal, Eve Ferester, Diane Gevirtz, Leda Feldman, Susan Goldman, Adrienne Greenberg, Marcia Gelbert, Susan Helpern, Elinor Hodas, Evan Janovic, Elizabeth Kaplan, Jack Kaplan, Nina Miller, Barbara Pearce, Hannah Salomon, Carl Seligson, Jonathan Steinberg, Barbara Silver, Peter Miller, Julia Washell, Paul Wender, Charles Witty.

Junior Congregation Group Visits B'nai Jeshurun

A committee of the Junior Congregation visited the 125th anniversary celebration of Congregation B'nai Jeshurun, at a Junior Congregation service there.

Impressed by the building in which the service was held, members of the committee resolved to use their best efforts toward the building of a beautiful structure to house our Religious School.

Hebrew Department Hanukah Party Is Set For Dec. 9th; Primary School Party, Dec. 10th

The Hebrew Department of the Religious School will celebrate Hanukah at a party to be held Saturday evening, December 9th, from 5:00 to 8:30.

A special program will be presented by members of the School. There will be square dancing and games, which helped to make last year's party a great success. The Class Mothers will serve frankfurters and other refreshments.

The following morning, December 10th, a Hanukah party will be held in each class of the Primary School. The children will be given candy, candles and dreidles. Each youngster in the first grade will be presented with a menorah.

The Class Mothers will assist the teachers in arranging the parties.

Zev Putterman to Talk To The Junior League

Thursday Evening, November 30th, the Junior League will present Zev Putterman, son of Cantor David Putterman, who returned early in November from a trip to Israel.

At this open meeting he will discuss his experiences on a Kibbutz, invite questions and lead the discussion.

On November 12th the Junior League held a dance which was attended by a capacity crowd.

Mazel Tov

TO Mr. and Mrs. M. Rubinstein on the marriage of their daughter Barbara Abbey to Jonathan S. Sogg.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Israel B. Oseas on the marriage of their son Jonathan to Iris Mae Lipskar.

TO Mr. Paul Smoliam on the marriage of his on Robert to Rhoda Elise Hirsch.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Jules Mendel on the engagement of their son Myron Ralph to Marilyn Patricia Zorn.

TO Mr. and Mrs. George L. Armour on the betrothal of their son to the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Berson.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Schaper, and Mr. and Mrs. Isidora M. Cohen on the birth of a daughter and granddaughter.

TO Mr. Maxwell Shapiro on his election as Justice of the Municipal Court.

TO Mr. Samuel Gold on his election as Justice of the Supreme Court.

Book Exhibit Opens At the Jewish Museum

The Jewish Museum has prepared an exhibit in honor of Jewish Book Month, to run from November 12th through the end of December.

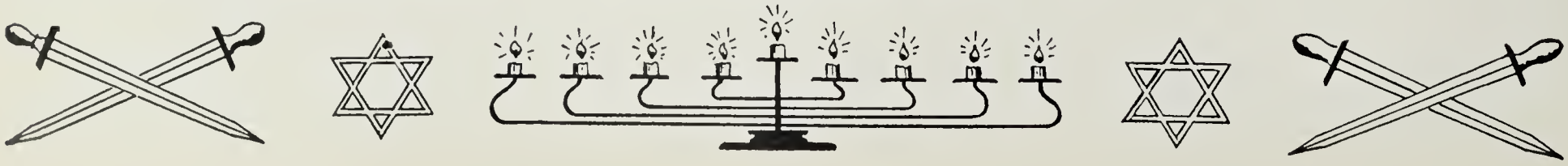
It is called "Amnon and Tamar in Bookland" and consists of children's books from Israel, animated so that visitors can become acquainted with them through manipulation and activity. All parents of the congregation are urged to take their children to the exhibit.

The Museum is open Monday through Thursday from 10:30 A. M. to 5:00 P. M. and Sunday from 10:30 A. M. to 6:00 P. M.

Sisterhood Plans Lunch At Open Meeting Dec. 19

Sisterhood will hold a dessert luncheon and open business meeting on Tuesday, December 19th, at 1 P.M. Topics of vital interest to all members are on the agenda.

The committee expressed great satisfaction over the party given by Sistertood to the Aged Blind. Inspired by the spirit and initiative exhibited by the old people, members were instrumental in having a beginners' loom donated for them.



Shulchan Aruch, Messianic Movement To Be Lecture Topics

In the last major lecture of the current Monday night series on November 27th, Rabbi Noveck will discuss the spirit of the Middle Ages. He will outline the great movements that helped the Jews to survive years of persecution and degradation. He will discuss the Messianic movement and the dramatic personality of Shabbatai Zevi.

Shulchan Aruch

The Codification of Jewish law by Joseph Caro in the Shulchan Aruch will close this first series on the Medieval Jewish Heritage. The series will resume in February with discussions of the Hassidim, the Vilna Gaon, and Moses Mendelsohn.

Rabeinu Gershon

Early in November Rabbi Noveck discussed Rabeinu Gershon, the "Light of the Exile", whose liberal decrees were recognized and followed throughout the Diaspora as early as 1000 C.E. He ruled that a man who had been wronged could interrupt a religious service—for justice is worship. He cursed anyone who opened a letter not addressed to him, and all during the Middle Ages Jews wrote little reminders of the curse on the outside of envelopes.

He made the consent of both parties prerequisite to a divorce. He forbade the renting of a house from which a Jew had been evicted by a Gentile.

Rashi

The Rabbi turned next to Rashi, whose writings surround the Chomash and are studied by all Hebrew students as soon as they have read the Chomash through once.

This man, a supreme authority on Biblical interpretation, was filled with deep humility. His writings abound with phrases such as "I heard from my teachers that . . . " or, "It seems to me . . . "

Unity of Torah Study

Legends about Rashi abound although he probably lived most of his life in France. (The phrase "As we say in French" is found in his commentaries).

Rabbi Waxman Will Lecture On Writings, Dec. 4th and 11th

Rabbi Mordecai Waxman

There is a story that he met Maimonides, although Maimonides lived in a different century. In the Medieval Jewish mind, Rabbi Noveck explained, the unity of the study of Torah would bridge such a discrepancy in time.

Crusades

Rabbi Noveck told the story of the Crusades and expulsions throughout Europe, the riots, the Inquisition. He pointed out that the phantastic fact of Jewish History is that the people survived at all and managed to preserve and develop its culture and thought.

He said that the place where the morale of the Jews was most nearly broken was Spain, where they had lived the most freely. Faced with the choice of conversion or expulsion many chose to live as Marranos.

Disease of Being Jews

Against these Marranos there was discrimination among the Christians. They suspected that the "New Christians", as they were known, still had the "disease of being Jews."—They considered it incurable.

Rabbi Mordecai Waxman of Temple Israel in Great Neck, Long Island, will open the Adult Education series to run the first three weeks in December, on "The Bible as Literature and Philosphy" with special emphasis on the writings, or ketubim. He will present the first two lectures on December 4th and December 11th, at 9 P. M.

His topics will be, "Man and the Universe," and "The Art of Living", based on the books of Job, Ecclesiastes, Proverbs, Psalms and Song of Songs.

Son of the famous author Meyer Waxman, Rabbi Waxman is a graduate of the Jewish Theological Seminary and has studied at Columbia and the University of Chicago.

New Books

The following books of Jewish interest have been published in the past weeks:

THE AMERICAN JEW: CHARACTER AND DESTINY, by Ludwig Lewisohn. (Farrar, Straus, $2.50)

HIAWATTA AND DE NIGHT IN DE FRONT FROM CHREESMAS, written and illustrated by Milt Gross, introduction by Max Shulman. (Doubleday, $1.50)

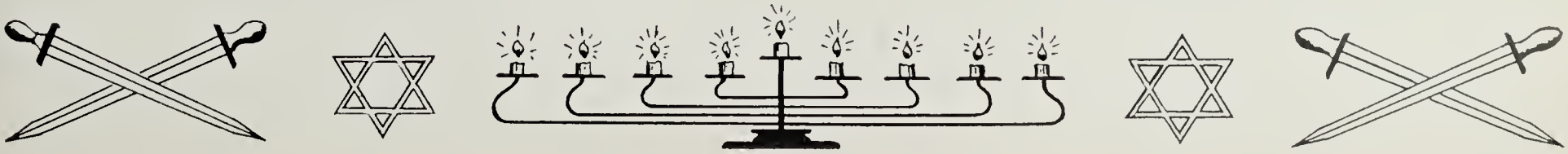
THE IDEA OF DEVELOPMENT OF THE SOUL IN MEDIEVAL JEWISH PHILOSOPHY, by Philip David Bokstaber. (Maurice Jacobs, Philadelphia, $2.00)

THE JEWISH HOLIDAYS, revised edition, by Isaac Unterman. (Bloch, $3.00)

THE PRAISES OF ISRAEL. A new interpretation of the Psalms, by John Paterson. (Charles Scribner's Sons, $3.00)

PURIM AND HANUKKAH, IN CUSTOM AND TRADITIONS: FEAST OF LOTS AND FEAST OF LIGHTS, by Theodore H. Gaster. (Henry Schuman, $2.50)

THE THEORY AND PRACTICE OF HELL: THE GERMAN CONCENTRATION CAMPS AND THE SYSTEM BEHIND THEM, by Eugen Kogon, translated by Heinz Norden. (Farrar, Straus, $4.00)



Memorial Campaign

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ual has made to the Memorial. This, of course, is in addition to the $5,000 pledge made by the group.

Sisterhood

The Sisterhood is having a report meeting in the form of a luncheon on November 28th. Mrs. Benjamin Sack, who is co-chairman with Mrs. Harold Levin, has graciously offered her home for this occasion.

Men's Club

The Men's Club's next report meeting has been set for November 20th. Judging from the results Joe Katz has already had, the Men's Club, in just a couple of years, has become one of the strongest arms of the Synagogue.

Parents' Association

Parents' Association is continuing its efforts for the Memorial and a report will shortly be forthcoming from this group. The Parents' Association is perhaps the group who want to see the Memorial completed earlier than any other group. They are looking forward to seeing their younger children actually attending a school where teaching is done under circumstances more conducive to learning.

Young Marrieds

Young Marrieds B group, with Harold Warshaw as chairman, is earnestly working for the Memorial, and plans to report around November 20th.

Young Marrieds A are now working with Mr. Marvin Robinson and we are looking for an early contribution in terms of work from this active group of Synagogue.

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satisfying and not too lengthy, the cuisine in perfect taste, the prizes numerous (55), and worthwhile, the decorations festive—everything conjured to please the loyal supporters of Sisterhood's worthy fund raising endeavor.

It has been decided that the portrait to be painted during the luncheon by David Immerman will be a door prize.

Guests are urged to arrive at 11 A.M., since the program will start promptly at 11:30 and there can be no seating during the performance.

If you have not already made your reservation, won't you please do so at once, by sending your check for $15 to Mrs. Sigmund Siegel, 1349 Lexington Avenue.

Saturday, Dec. 2nd

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lively study and discussion. Since those who come to talk will stay to pray, the Saturday afternoon services will be assured of a Minyan. Cantor Putterman will conduct Maariv.

Stimulating Discussions

The men and women who attended these talks last season recall the stimulating discussions, led by Rabbi Noveck, when this ancient code of ethics was applied to our daily life in modern times.

Ethics of the Fathers

The "Ethics of the Fathers", as the oldest collection of behavior dicta of the Rabbis, offers a body of practical maxims for the guidance of daily conduct. The moral precepts sum up many a lifetime's experience and philosophy, each one breathing a spirit of piety and saintliness. Stressing justice and love for humanity, these lines are heard in synagogues and quoted in schools and courts.

Dr. Theodore Kaplan is the chairman of the sub-committee in charge of the discussions.

Is Your Name Here?

The following have already sent their pledges for the Milton Steinberg Memorial Fund:

Mr. Nathan Appleman, Mr. Barney Balaban, Mr. Robert Barzilay, Mr. Leon Blanner, Mr. Max Blanner, Mr. Sidney H. Blanner, Mr. Lester Burger Jr., Mr. D. Leonard Cohen, Mr. I. M. Cohen, Mr. Joseph H. Cohen, Confirmation Class of 1950, Mr. Katherine Falk, Mr. Irving J. Friedman, Miss Anna Garbuz, Mr. S. Stanley Garfinkel, Mr. Abraham M. Geller, Mr. Abraham Gevirtz, Mr. William M. Goldman, Mr. Albert Greenspan, Mr. Louis Greenstein, Mr. Robert Greenstein, Mr. Harry Halbren, Mr. Louis Heller, Mr. William Heller, Mr. Samson Hittner, Junior League, Mr. Murray Katz, Mr. Jacob Klein, Miss Judy Klenert, Mr. Richard Kohn, Col. Melvin Krulewitch, Mr. Joseph Kurzan, Miss Barbara Lang, Mr. Harold Levin, Miss Hortense Levy, Miss Jo Levy, Mr. Isaac Liberman, Mr. Joseph I. Lubin, Mr. George Lyttle, Men's Club, Mr. Arthur Ochs, Mr. Alex Ostriker, Mr. Edward Peiper, Mr. Tubie Resnik, Mr. Melville Ringler, Mr. Benjamin Sack, Dr. Albert Salomon, Mr. Irving H. Shapiro, Sisterhood, Miss Julia Strasburger, Mr. Archie I. Thurman, Mr. Milton Weill, Mr. Bernard Weinflash, Miss Heni Wenkart, Dr. Seymour Wimpfheimer, Mr. Philip Winter, Mr. Max Zahler.

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son of Louis Hoffman and
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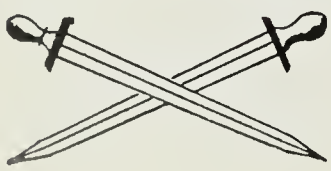
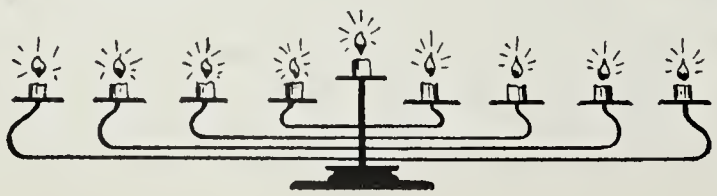
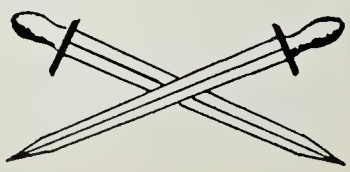
brother of Jane Wallenstein







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$130,000 Pledged for the Memorial

Friday Evening, December 8th
8:30 P.M.
Adult Education Committee
presents
HARRY N. ROSENFIELD
Displaced Persons Commission

Oneg Shabbat

Memorial Building Desperately Needed For the School

Since the last issue of the BULLETIN, additional pledges have been received and the committee is happy to report a total of $130,574 thus far pledged towards the $500,000 total required for the Milton Steinberg Memorial. All members of the congregation are being asked to respond generously to the Memorial, both financially and by helping to contact other members.

Religious School Invites Inspection

The need for the Memorial is evident to anyone who has ever visited our Religious School any afternoon during the week or on Saturday evening, or on Sunday morning. The inadequacy of our facilities for giving our children the religious instruction they need is demonstrated any time that the school is in session.

Members of the congregation are invited to visit the school and to see for themselves what this Memorial will mean

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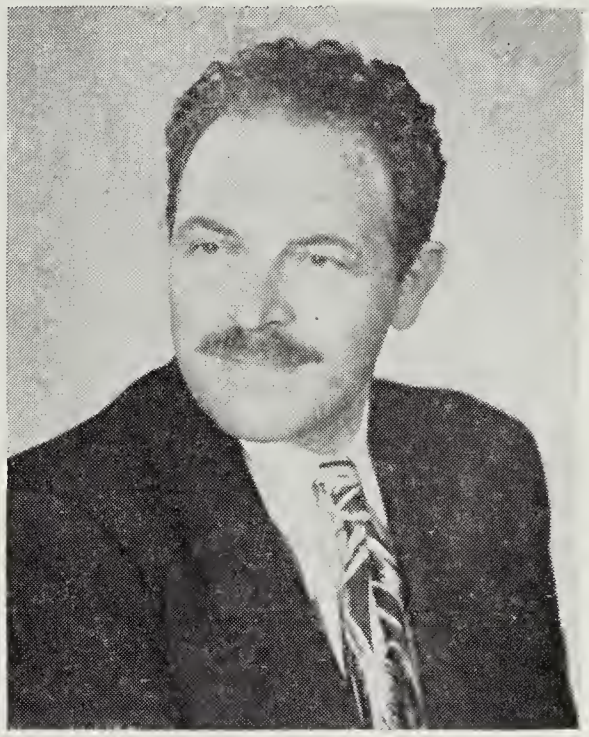

Rosenfield to Talk On the D.P. Bill Friday, Dec. 8th

The Adult Education Committee will present Harry N. Rosenfield, Commissioner of the Displaced Persons Commission, at the Friday Evening service on December 8th. He will continue the series of speakers invited by the Committee, giving a behind the scenes perspective on the Displaced Persons Bill under discussion in Washington at the moment.

Mr. Rosenfield has been an adviser to the United States delegate to the United Nations, principal attorney and assistant to the Administrator of the Federal Security Agency, and personal legal aide to Mayor LaGuardia. He has lectured at New York University and is the author of many books and articles.

There will be an Oneg Shabbat following the service.

This Is The Week Of Donors Luncheon

In each issue of the BULLETIN this fall, there has appeared publicity calculated to persuade, induce and excite the women of our Synagogue to make their reservations for the 55th Annual Donors Luncheon to be held at the Waldorf Astoria next Tuesday, December 12th. We shall not talk further about the 55 valuable prizes, or about the Immerman portrait, or Jacques Abram, or Jane Pickens. We'll just sum it up by saying—you may be assured of a delightful afternoon!

Great Need

What we *must* say is that we desperately need the cooperation of all our women and many of their friends, if we are to fulfill Sisterhod's budget obligations. Sisterhood is proud of its past efforts and its future plans for our Synagogue and community welfare, but not too proud to plead for your urgently needed support.

Please send your check for $15 to Mrs. Sigmund Siegel, 1349 Lexington Avenue. We know you will reflect your understanding by making your reservation today.

Don't forget the Men's Club meeting on Tuesday, December 12th at 8:15 P.M. Dr. Hans Simon, President of the New School for Social Research, will speak on: "Western Germany—New Ally?"

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from the desk of Rabbi Noveck

It was a real inspiration to attend the Convention of the United Synagogue of America in Washington, D.C. on November 15th through 19th. Delegates came from Miami, Jacksonville, Chicago, Minneapolis, Vancouver, Toronto and various other cities—indicating how widespread the Conservative Movement has become in recent years.

To see these business and professional men take off five days to deliberate on the problems of Synagogue administration, on Jewish education, on youth problems and on the relationship of American Jewry with the State of Israel was indeed heartening. To watch more than sixty-five members of the Leadership Training Institute between the ages of fifteen and seventeen, graduates of the Seminary's Camp Ramah, conduct their own services and hold their own sessions in Hebrew was an inspiration to all of us.

Our own Judge Rifkind was National Chairman of the Convention. Cantor David Putterman, as Director of the Department of Music of the United Synagogue, played an important role in the Convention. Israel B. Oseas and I represented the congregation.

I sincerely hope that at the next Convention many of you will resolve to attend so that you may come back inspired by the progress made in the Conservative Movement of which we are so much a part.

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Attendance at our Friday evening and Sabbath Services this year has been rather good. And our Adult Education courses on Monday evenings have been very well attended. However, there are a number of you whom I miss at our services and classes.

During the month of December we have a number of guest speakers and special programs planned in conjunction with our services and classes. I look forward to seeing some of you who have not been able to come thus far.

In any case, I hope you will all reserve the four Monday nights in January for the Milton Steinberg Lectures in Jewish Theology. Dr. Finkelstein, Dr. Kaplan, Will Herberg and Professor Salomon will be the guest lecturers. It is important that we keep alive in our Synagogue the great interest in theology that has been part of our institution for so many years.

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We Jews have holidays of various kinds — the solemn and introspective High Holy Days, the happy and joyous Sukkot, the picturesque Passover. The holiday of Hanukah, however, is one that we have until recent years not celebrated with the intensity it deserves.

The struggle of Mattathias and Judah the Macabee for religious freedom against the Syrian Grecks has a message that is as meaningful today as it was in the year 165 B.C.E. The lighting of the Hanukah candles, the giving of gifts, the eating of "latkes," playing of games, decorating the home—provide the ritual and pageantry that make this festival appeal to young and old alike. The message of rededication is one we in American Jewry need at this point in our history.

Let us then celebrate Hanukah this year with a zest and a joy. We admire and respect the rituals of other religions but there is no need to borrow them for our own homes. Our own rituals are beautiful and appealing.

Mr. Benjamin Sack, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, has announced the appointment of Mr. Julian Jacobs and Mr. Edward Kaye to the Ritual Committee.

letter to the editor

Editor:

I am indeed amazed at the tone of the letter appearing in the last edition of the BULLETIN anent, our ritual. I see no "compromise or hedging" in our Synagogue services notwithstanding that "three alternate barachot" may be heard recited over the Torah. I find our ritual inspiring and rich in tradition. No one who has sat through our Neila services on Yom Kippur, our procession with palm branches on Sukkat, our procession of Torahs on Simchat Torah can reach any other conclusion.

Writer Too Young

The writer of the letter is too young to remember that when Rabbi Steinberg, of blessed memory, first came to our pulpit, he sought to introduce a ritual which bridges the gap between tradition and the modern mind. He taught us that traditional forms of Jewish ritual observance should be maintained if they are spiritually adequate or can be rendered adequate through reinterpretation.

Those observances which do not render themselves for reinterpretation should be modified. He felt that new forms of worship giving expression to newly felt needs should be introduced into the services of the Synagogue.

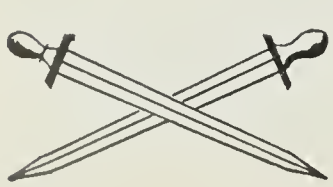
Rabbi Steinberg's Methods

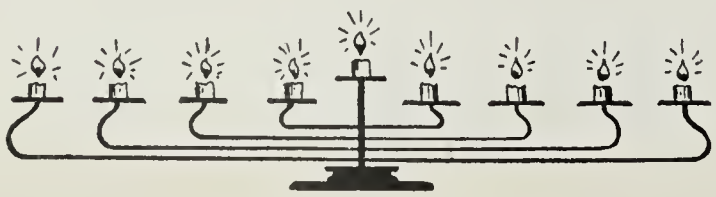
Now how did he accomplish this?

1. He initiated the practice of the Bas Mitzvah so that girls might enjoy the individual experience of dedication to Israel that is accorded to boys.
2. His was the innovation of inviting the bride as well as the groom to the pulpit at the Sabbath service before the wedding day.
3. It was his inspiration to call up a woman as well as two men to be honored on Simchat Torah.
4. It was his influence that caused the Park Avenue Synagogue to use the Reconstructionist Prayer Book.

Value of the Synagogue

I maintain that the true importance of our synagogue ritual cannot be measured by the recitation of one identical baracha or by the complete reading of the weekly Sidra on the Sabbath. Nor is the true importance of the Synagogue





measured by the size of the congregation or the beauty of the building.

Its value, life and force can be found in the spiritual need it satisfies for its congregants; the enrichment of their ethical and intellectual outlook; the degree to which it inspires them to serve the community; the maintenance of the interest of its young; the inspiration it offers its members to participate in the welfare of their fellowmen.

Prayer Book

I maintain that the Reconstructionist Prayer Book has without doubt helped our service become more beautiful and significant. It has helped us to appreciate more fully the platform which dedicates us "to Judaism as a religious civilization, to the upbuilding of Eretz Yisrael and to the furtherance of universal freedom, justice and peace."

As our services thruogh the past fifteen years became more significant through Rabbi Steinberg's intellectual interpolations, they also became more beautiful through Cantor Putterman's musical contributions. I feel confident that every member of our Synagogue is aware that our Synagogue exists to enhance the glory of God by study, by worship, by service.

Partisan Guide Quoted

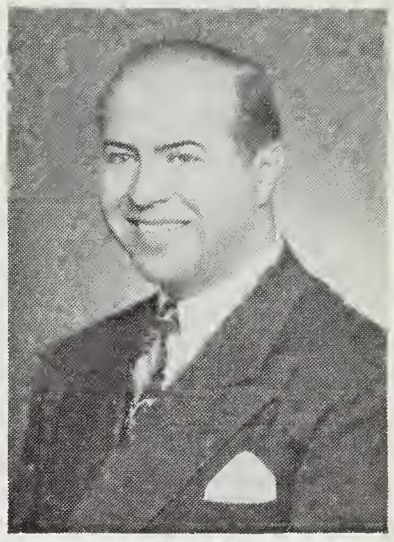
I know of no better authority on the point I seek to make, in refutation of last month's letter to do away with the Reconstructionist Prayer Book, than fix quote our late revered Rabbi and teacher. In his Partisan Guide to the Jewish Problem, Rabbi Steinberg wrote, "But what shall be the shape of Jewish observances? The unabatedly traditional? Some variant of it? Or the overtly non-traditional? Here again Reconstructionism is explicit, and once more its conception of Judaism as evolving, provides the warrant for its answer. It is freedom, not license, that Reconstructionism commends. Besides—what alternative is open to Jews who wish to live Jewishly but cannot be orthodox? They must venture trial, error and experiment in the hope that eventually there may emerge a new norm of Jewish observance, a pattern at once traditional and yet entirely acclimated to modern America."

JOSEPH HOWARD KATZ

Mental Health Symposium Offers Talks by Alt, Gomberg, Biller

HERSCHEL ALT

M. ROBERT GOMBERG



NEWMAN M. BILLER

An exciting symposium on "Mental Health and the Jewish Community" will follow the Friday evening service on December 15th. Three leaders in the field of social work in this city will participate.

Mr. Herschel Alt, Executive Director of the Jewish Board of Guardians, will discuss "Perspectives on Mental Health Needs for Children." Mr. Newman M. Biller, Executive Director of the Home for Aged and Infirm Hebrews, will outline "The Problems of the Aged." Dr. M. Robert Gomberg, Executive Director of the Jewish Family Service, will speak on "The Psychology of Family Tensions."

Mr. Milton Weill of the Board of Trustees of the Park Avenue Synagogue will introduce the speakers and co-ordinate the discussion.

Herschel Alt

Mr. Alt is recognized as an outstanding expert on child welfare and mental health. Author of a great many books on child welfare problems, he is a member of the Mayor's Commission for the Temporary Care of Children and consultant to the Child Welfare League of America. He is a lecturer at the New York School of Social Work, Columbia University. He has studied child welfare problems in Europe and Israel.

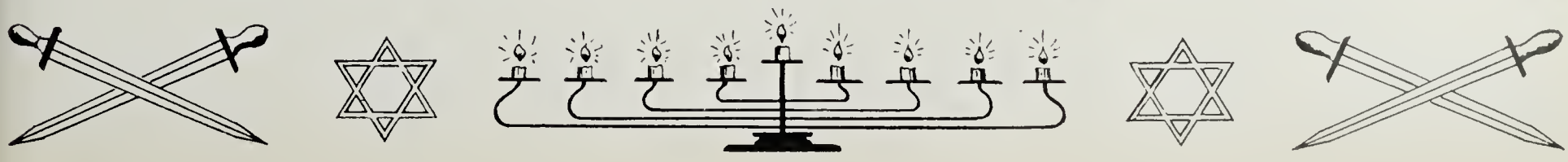
Newman M. Biller

Mr. Biller has been Assistant Director of Montefiore Hospital, Bronx Hospital and Beth Israel Hospital. He is a consultant on the care of the aged for the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies of New York, the Jewish Welfare Federation of Cleveland and agencies in many other cities.

M. Robert Gomberg

Dr. Gomberg has been active in social work for sixteen years. He has worked with the Center School, the Pleasantville Cottage School and the Jewish Family Welfare Society of Brooklyn. He has taught at New York University and served as survey consultant. He is the author of many articles in professional journals and texts.

Found, a sum of money, not far from the Synagogue, on Friday evening November 24th. Inquire at the Synagogue office.



Rabbi To Appear As Guest Speaker

On Monday, December 18th, Rabbi Noveck will be the guest speaker at the Stuyvesant Chapter of Hadassah meeting at the George Washington Hotel. His topic will be "American Jewry and Israel."

On December 20th, he will speak at the Forest Hills Jewish Center on the subject, "The Legacy of Maimonides."

On January 7th Rabbi Noveck will be the guest preacher at Congregation Shaaray Zedeck in Detroit, Mich.

P. A. Will Sponsor Talks on Survival

Wednesday evening, January 10th, the Parents' Association will sponsor a symposium on the subject, "Programs for Jewish Survival in America."

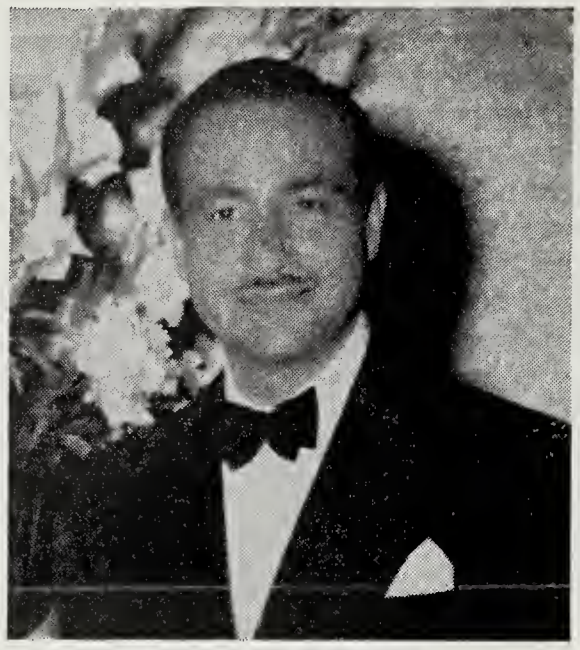
Reform Judaism will be defended by Rabbi Louis I. Newman of Congregation Rodelph Sholom; Conservative Judaism by Rabbi Simon Noveck of the Park Avenue Synagogue; and Orthodoxy, by Rabbi Simon Kramer, Hebrew Institute of University Heights.

College Night to be Friday, Dec. 29th

On Friday evening, December 29th, the College Seminar will sponsor "College Night" at the Friday evening services.

Members of the College Seminar will participate and all students from out of town as well as New York City colleges are urged to attend.

Men's Club Leads Memorial Drive



JOSEPH HOWARD KATZ

Mr. Joseph Howard Katz, President of the Men's Club, has become chairman of the largest working group in the Synagogue for the Milton Steinberg Memorial. 24 members of the Men's Club have volunteered to work for the Memorial. Mr. Katz has assumed the leadership in a group that is contacting about 250 members of the Synagogue.

Report Meetings

This group has already had 2 report meetings when all the members of the committee sat down together to talk over their results so far. Through an exchange of ideas and experiences, the committee has greatly benefited and is better equipped to continue its solicitations.

Mr. Milton Weill and Mr. I. M. Cohen, co-chairmen of the Milton Steinberg Memorial, are confidently relying on the unusual ability Joe Katz has always displayed to inspire his co-workers to give their utmost toward making the Memorial an early success.

The Committee

The men on the Memorial Committee for the Men's Club are:

Herman Baskind, Harry W. Cohen, Murray Gillette, Victor Herwitz, Henry Howe, Julian Jacobs, Morris Joffe, Samuel Kaplan, Joseph Howard Katz, Edward Kaye, Henry Koch, James J. Leibman, Samuel W. Lerer, Jack Maltz, Lawrence Meyers, Martin Miller, M. D. Millheiser, Arthur Morse, Harold Osserman, Nelson Ruttenberg, Milton Sivek, Archie I. Thurman, Samuel Wimpfheimer, and Max Zahler.

In addition to the Men's Club, every other affiliated group in the Synagogue is actively cooperating in the campaign.

The Sisterhood
Adult Education Group
Junior League
Young Marrieds
Parents' Association

Other Groups

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THE COMMITTEE

Mazel Tov

TO Dr. and Mrs. Robert Gilbert on the birth of their daughter, Leslie Ruth.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Joseph H. Cohen on the birth of a great granddaughter.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Haft on their 25th wedding anniversary, November 17th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Davidson on their wedding anniversary, November 25th.

TO Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Druss on their 20th wedding anniversary, November 27th.

TO Dr. and Mrs. Fred Finn on their 30th wedding anniversary, December 7th.

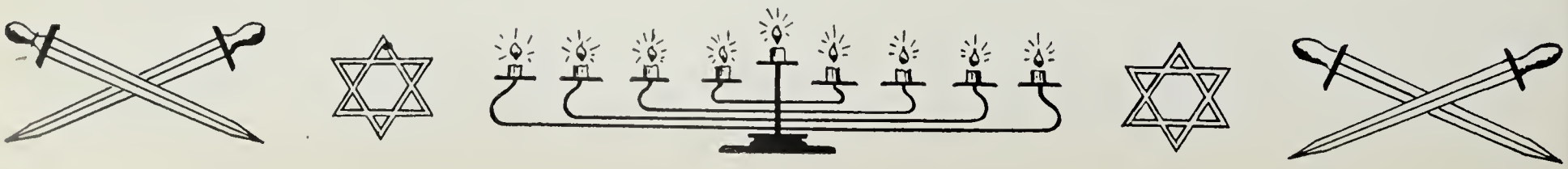
TO Dr. and Mrs. Adolph Weiss on their 30th wedding anniversary, December 7th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Norman Bieckantz on their 5th wedding anniversary, December 16th.

TO Caroline B. Manheimer on her birthday.

TO grandparents Dr. and Mrs. Adolph Weiss and parents Mr. and Mrs. Michael Weiss on the birth of a child.

TO Martin R. Gold, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel M. Gold, on his Bar Mitzvah, December 9th.



Workshop Table Demonstrates Devices for Hanukah Spirit

Following the Adult Education program on Monday, November 27th, the Hanukah Workshop presented the fruits of its study and work. Mrs. Stanley Simon, Chairman, demonstrated the Hanukah table which the group had prepared in the vestry.

Workshop Program

She explained that members had studied the history of Hanukah and Hanukah on the American scene, had familiarized themselves with Hanukah music, and had studied devices for bringing the spirit of Hanukah into their homes. Their text was Markowitz, *Leading a Jewish Life in the Modern World.*

The main objective of the group was to find as many ways as possible to bring Hanukah home to their children and present it to them on their own level, Mrs. Simon stressed.

Hanukah Foods

She showed salads and cookies prepared by women of the group to carry out the Hanukah theme, as well as dreidles and other toys and home decoration ideas worked out by mothers during the sessions. A center piece in the shape of a dreidle, made of a hat box, presided over the table.

Books and Records

Mrs. Simon said that there is a book for each age level that will explain the story of Hanukah and its meaning today. She recommended several albums of Hanukah music. A simple game that can be constructed at home is "Pin the candle on the menorah," she explained.

No Tin Menorahs

Children in the primary grades are making clay menorahs. No tin menorahs will be distributed to the children this year.

Members of the committee for preparing the Hanukah table were: Mrs. Simon, Mrs. Albert Seigel, Mrs. A. Stangel, Mrs. Eliza Foa, Mrs. Eugene Kraman.

Volunteers Needed to Help the Blind

Volunteer workers are urgently needed for the Sisterhood's work at the Guild for the Jewish Blind, 1880 Broadway. Women are needed to read to students, do clerical work and sell at the holiday sale.

A class is being formed to study braille. Students will learn to transcribe books and articles for the blind. The work is important and necessary.

Please contact Mrs. Jesse Haas, 320 East 31st Street, MU 6-5699.

Parents who wish to name their new born children at the Park Avenue Synagogue should notify the Synagogue office before the Sabbath. A special certificate bearing the names of child and parents in Hebrew and English is presented to the parents as part of the ceremony of naming the child.

Forum to Clarify Sisterhood Problems

Sisterhood's Dessert Luncheon and Open meeting at 1 P.M. on December 19th will be a forum where members can voice their opinions and constructive suggestions for future procedure.

This type of meeting is called to discuss and clarify problems that arise during the course of an administration in Sisterhood. Members are urged to attend, for the benefit of all.

Jr. League Dance To Climax Hanukah

On Sunday afternoon, December 10th, from 3:30 to 6:30, the Junior League will present its Annual Hanukah Dance. Jeno Bartell's orchestra will provide the music.

To climax the festivities Louis Heller, president of the organization, will kindle the eight lights of the last night of Hanukah.

Tickets for the dance will be $1.50. The co-chairmen are Hortense Levy and Dr. Scharmette.

New Books

The following books of Jewish Interest have appeared since the last issue of the BULLETIN:

ANCIENT HEBREW ARTS, with 200 illustrations, by A. Reifenberg (Schocken Books, $5.00)

ANTI-SEMITISM IN MODERN FRANCE: Volume I, The Prologue to the Dreyfus Affair, By Robert F. Barnes (Rutgers University, $5.00)

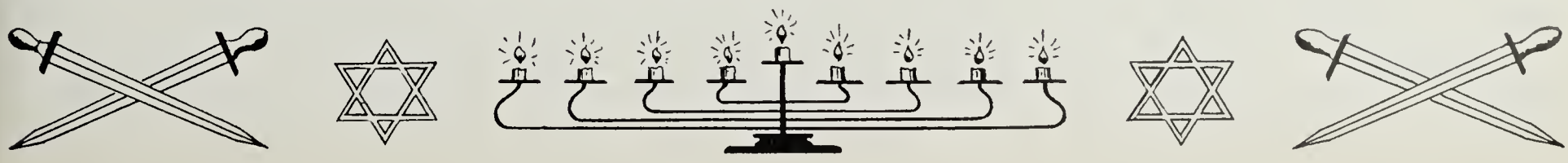
DOCUMENTARY HISTORY OF THE JEWS IN THE UNITED STATES, 1654-1875, edited with notes and introduction by Morris U. Schappes, preface by Joshua Bloch (Citadel Press, $5.00)

ISRAEL LAUGHS: A Collection of Humor from the Jewish State, by Paul Steiner, foreword by Harry Hershfield, illustrations by Avraham J. Lewensohn (Bloch, $2.75)

ISRAEL WITHOUT TEARS, by Ruth Gruber (Wyn, $3.00)

JERUSALEM CALLING, by Pierre Van Paassen (Dial, $3.00)

PERSPECTIVES ON A TROUBLED DECADE: Science, Philosophy and Religion 1939-49, A Symposium, edited by Lyman Bryson, Louis Finklestein, R. M. MacIver (Harper, $5.50)



Memorial Honor Roll

Listed here are the names of those who, up to the time that the BULLETIN goes to press, have contributed to the Memorial. Succeeding issues of the BULLETIN will carry the names of additional contributors as they are reported by the committee. It is hoped that every member of the congregation will want to see his name listed on this Honor Roll of supporters and contributors to the Milton Steinberg Memorial.

Mr. Z. Harry Altmark, Mr. Dan W. Barkin, Mrs. Rose J. Blondheim, Mr. Jacob Friedman, Mr. Louis M. Friedman, Mr. Milton N. Grass, Mr. Louis Grossman, Mr. Milton Heller, Mrs. Louis Heller, Mr. Morris Joffe, Mr. Joseph Howard Katz, Mr. Edward Kaye, Mr. Howard Kieval, Mr. Leopold Klein, Mr. Peter Miller, Dr. Arthur Morse, Mr. Edward Munves, Mrs. Frieda Ochs, Hon. Simon Rifkind, Mr. L. J. Sheldon, Mr. S. F. Victor, Mr. Harold Warshaw, Mr. Samuel Wimpfheimer, Mrs. Etta C. Wind, and Miss Helen Lee Woltman.

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not only in terms of perpetuating the memory of Milton Steinberg but also in terms of providing for our youth adequate school facilities. Those members who would like to make such a tour should visit each group in our school.

They will see the boys crowded in Cantor Putterman's study, preparing for their Bar Mitzvahs; another group in the choir loft; see "Teen-Agers" or College Seminar groups, who frequently use the Board of Trustees Room because no other facilities are available. Should one of these groups wish to meet for an extra session sometime during the month, they must meet in one of their homes because there is no room for them in the Synagogue!

Successful completion of the Milton Steinberg Memorial will make it possible for the Synagogue to lift its level of teaching to that required by a Synagogue of our standing.

Wonderful Children

We have a wonderful group of children studying in our school. We have a splendid and devoted teaching staff. We have an active group of men and women serving on our School Committee to make sure that the standards of teaching are on the highest possible level—but the physical accommodations we have up to now provided are out of all keeping with the dignity of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

Points to Consider

Contributors, therefore, are urged to consider both particulars that are presented:

1. To memorialize Milton Steinberg in this significant way.

2. To provide adequate facilities for our children, for our youth activities and for our growing Adult Education program.

The Religious School Sends Term Report

The Hanukah season marks the completion of the first term of the Religious School year and the distribution of report cards to all students of the school, on December 9th and 10th.

Parents are urged to discuss with their children the report card marks and the teacher's personal comments evaluating the work of each student. The interest of the parent in the report card and in the work of the Religious School will be reflected in the development of a positive attitude toward Jewish Education in the youngster.

8 Students Win Poster Contest

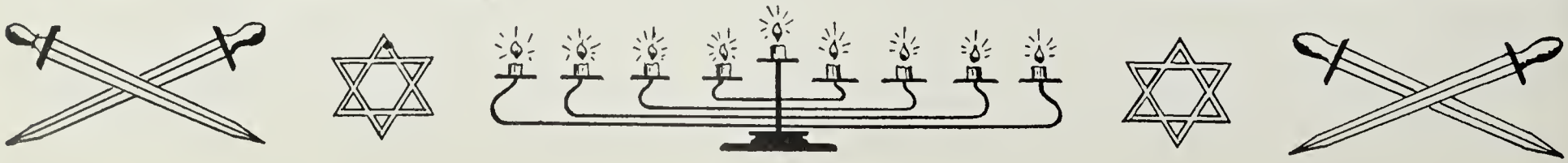
A central feature of the Book Fair sponsored by the Parents Association was the poster contest conducted for the students of the Religious School.

Many colorful and original posters submitted by the students made the task of the judges very difficult. However, after careful consideration of the merits of all entries, the judges made awards to the following:

For the Hebrew Department: Edward Curtiss and Michael Schacht.

For the Primary Department: Joan Helpern, Martha Stein, Ellen Greenfield, Stephen Botein, Carolyn Raskin, Michael Heyman.

December 9th, Martin R. Gold
January 20th, Charles I. Kingson
February 10th, Robert S. Cohen
February 17th, (Bas Mitzvah) Nan Krulewitch
February 24th, Howard C. Gulac
March 24th, Roger L. Waldman
April 7th, Stephen Rubin
May 5th, Sheldon M. Polsky
June 2nd, (Bas Mitzvah) Natalie Bernstein
June 9th, Paul A. Bienstock



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Friday Evening, December 22nd

8:30 P.M.

Rabbi Noveck Will Preach

"THE JEWISH VIEW OF JESUS AND CHRISTIANITY"

Jewish College Life To Be Forum Topic On December 29th

College Night, Friday evening, December 29th, will feature a symposium on Jewish life on the college compus. Rabbi Marvin Goldfine, leader of the Collegiate Seminar, will act as moderator.

Bernard Joffe will speak on "Discrimination in College Admission", Lore Simon on "Evaluating Jewish Activities on the College Campus", and Robert Witte on "A Student's Responsibility Toward Jewish Life."

All college students are invited to participate in this symposium. Out of town students will want to report on Jewish life on their respective campuses.

Refreshments will be served.

The Rabbi Invites Out of Town Students

Rabbi Noveck cordially invites all out of town college students to his home on Saturday afternoon, December 23rd, so that he may become better acquainted with younger members of the congregation who are away most of the year.

Personal letters are going to all out of town students on the Synagogue mailing list. However, the list is not complete and students who do not receive such letters are urged to consider themselves invited. A good time will be had by all.

Rabbi Noveck Will Discuss The Jewish View of Jesus

On Friday evening, December 22nd, Rabbi Noveck will discuss "The Jewish View of Jesus and Christianity". He will explain the traditional position of Judaism toward the personality of Jesus.

What is the opinion of the Mishnah and the Talmud on the new religion that sprang from Judaism? Can Jews accept Jesus as a great prophet?

The Rabbi will compare the views of Sholem Asch with those of great modern Jewish scholars.

This will be the first of two sermons on the subject of Judaism and Christianity. The second, on the Christian attitude toward Judaism, will be given during the month of January.

On Saturday morning, December 30th, Rabbi Noveck will preach on "Facing the New Year".

Ladies' Night Set By the Men's Club

"Ladies' Night at the Men's Club" will take place on Tuesday evening, January 9th.

A musical extravaganza, "The Folk Festival" is planned as the highlight of the evening. It will star such performers as Bill Johnson, Sonya Austin, Valentina Belova and Marek Pokras.

Men and their ladies are invited to reserve this date.

Mazel Tov

TO Sanford H. Hahn and Carol Westheimer on their marriage, December 24th. Mr. Hahn is a member of our Religious School staff and a student at the Jewish Theological Seminary of America. He leads our services in the summer when Rabbi Noveck and Cantor Putterman are away. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Isidor Hahn.

TO Dr. and Mrs. William Karmiol on the engagement of their daughter Frances June to Theodore Frost.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Bernstein on their wedding anniversary, December 7th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Charles Weill on their 60th wedding anniversary, January 4th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Warren Ringler on their first wedding anniversary, December 25th.

Junior League Plans Game Night Meeting

The December open meeting of the Junior League will be a "Game Night" on Thursday evening, December 28th, 8:30 P. M.

Richard Kohn, chairman for the evening, reports that in addition to such card games as canasta, bridge, gin, etc., there are plans for a "hot session of monopoly and other activities." Social dancing and refreshments will top the evening.

At the National Leadership Institute sponsored by the Young People's League of the United Synagogue of America at Rockaway Park, L. I. December 15th-17th, delegates of the Junior League were Miss Judy Klenert and Mr. Bernard Weinflash. The problems of programing and proper presentation were explored by means of discussions and sample programs.

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letter to the editor

Editor:

The problems of ritual which Mr. Cohen raises in his letter are most pertinent. They deserve study and discussion throughout the congregation. The members of the congregation will doubtless continue to develop a set of ritual practices which meet their needs and which are in conformity with the best in our tradition.

I do not claim technical competence in the judgment of the details of Mr. Cohen's own point of view. It may or may not be proper for him to present his version of the ritual as the only proper usage.

One could not fail to be impressed with his earnestness on the question of the relative inattention which is paid to the Sabbath reading of the Torah. His point on the use of alternate b'rachot may well have merit.

However, the attitude of presumption and condescension throughout the letter seemed to me to be out of place. There are many of us who believe that our intellectual peers and their points of view deserve respect even when we may strongly disagree with them.

From what I have been able to ascertain in conversation with some of my fellow congregants, there are many who particularly resented Mr. Cohen's gratuitous slap at the Reconstructionist Prayer Book.

Many among us may not subscribe to its principles (in greater or lesser degree), but we are keenly mindful of a most significant thing.

Much of Milton Steinberg's contribution to Jewish thinking, and a major share of the intellectual stimulation of the Park Avenue Synagogue during his ministry here, are contained in Reconstructionism and in its writings. Is it proper recognition of this man's life work, of what he did, and what he stands for today, for anyone to wish all that out of existence, with a wave of the hand as it were?

It has perhaps been one of the problems of the Orthodoxy to which Mr. Cohen makes reference that its emotional comprehension of "reasonable intellect and undogmatic piety" is somewhat less than he would have us believe. The result all too often has been that those of us who do not unquestioningly accept its full dictum are condemned by it to a vague nether-world of unbelievers.

It it doubtless true that Mr. Cohen's original letter was considerably edited for publication. Nevertheless it is quite obvious that his approach and tone were calculated to leave little room for misinterpretation.

It would seem to me that matters of such grave import need not and should not be discussed on such a plane as this. We *all* have too much at stake, and we *all* have a responsibility to think the problems through. Having the courage of our convictions, we ought then to state our conclusions clearly and unequivocally. Then there is a task to be done, to work harmoniously to achieve commonly desired goals—goals which glorify tradition and neither destroy it nor fix it into rigid and unyielding molds.

If I learned nothing else from Milton Steinberg, I learned that.

HOWARD A. KIEVAL

Sisterhood to Hear Sylvia Schneider

Sylvia Schneider, Assistant District Attorney, will address the Sisterhood meeting on January 16th on the topic of Juvenile Delinquency. She will share her extensive experience in this field and acquaint us with conditions in New York and the means of combatting them.

On Wednesday, December 19th, the Sisterhood honored the regular Sewing Group which meets at the Synagogue each Wednesday from 10 A.M. to 4 P.M. The group, currently working on garments for Hadassah, welcomes new members.

Reopening Dates

The Religious School will re-open on the following dates:

Hebrew Department—Tuesday, January 2nd.

Junior Congregation—Saturday, January 6th.

Primary Department—Sunday, January 7th.

JNF Drive Nets One Hundred Dollars

The Religious School drive for the Jewish National Fund has brought in $100, twice the amount collected in last year's drive. The students exerted all their efforts to collect these funds for the reclamation, reforestation, irrigation and settlement of the Land of Israel.

One of the students, Stephen Helpern, helped to swell the contributions by conducting a Hanukah party featuring games of chance. All proceeds went to the Jewish National Fund.

School Honor Roll

The faculty of the Hebrew Department of the Religious School is proud to announce that the following students have been placed on the Honor Roll for attendance, effort, attitude and general excellence in Hebrew studies:

Hebrew 1A — Stephen Kohn, Alan Mehlman, David Nalin, Gail Rosenkrantz.

Hebrew 1B — Anthony Berns, Cynthia Fread, Susan Jacobs, Ellen Wimpfheimer, Ruth Wyler.

Hebrew 2 — Cecily Falkenstein, John Kogan, Marilyn Schneider.

Hebrew 3A — Paul Bienstock, Edward Curtiss, Anthony Greenwald.

Hebrew 3B — Eleanor Foa, Stanley Nemeroff, Teddy Zucker.

Hebrew 4 — Sheldon Polsky.

Yizkor Elohim

FANNIE JACOBSON

wife of Max Jacobson

JULES KLEIN

MILTON STEINBERG MEMORIAL NEWS

Chairmen Attend Lunch Meeting

All of the groups in Synagogue met for Lunch at Rumpelmayers on Thursday, December 14th. It proved a very worthwhile meeting as it afforded an intimate discussion and exchange of ideas among the various Memorial committees.

Mr. I. M. Cohen, as Co-Chairman, thanked the Chairmen for their interest and splendid cooperation on the Memorial. He stressed the importance of all workers continuing their efforts now to bring the Campaign to a successful conclusion as quickly as possible.

Board of Trustees Called by Memorial To Special Session

On Sunday morning, December 3rd, a special meeting of the entire Board of Trustees was called. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the progress to date of the Memorial and listen to reports from all the workers on the Board. Mr. Milton Weill told the Board that all members of the Congregation had been assigned to the 84 workers who make up the over-all Committee for the Milton Steinberg Memorial. He urged the memberrs of the Board to continue their efforts for the Memorial in the same spirit in which they wholeheartedly agreed to embark on this half-million dollar campaign.

Many concrete suggestions were exchanged and it was generally felt that this Special Meeting was helpful to the workers as well as to the chairmen for the Milton Steinberg Memorial.

MISS JUDITH KLENERT

Jr. League Reflects The Great Influence Of Milton Steinberg

The Junior League's contribution to the Milton Steinberg Memorial Fund is noteworthy not only in terms of its financial contribution, but even more, as a reflection of the influence of Rabbi Milton Steinberg. Under the capable leadership of Miss Judith Klenert and Mr. Philip Winter, pledges have already been obtained from over 77% of the active membership. These contributions are over and beyond the $5000 pledged by the Junior League as a unit at the outset of the Campaign.

What Milton Steinberg meant to these young people can certainly be seen in the fact that each pledge represents a minimum of three times the annual Synagogue dues of those members affiliated with Synagogue. But the Junior League is comprised of non-synagogue affiliates as well. And the non-affiliated Junior League members have also pledged, according to the devised formula—at least three times the minimum Synagogue dues. This is a really important contri-

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Workers to Meet In First Rally On Dec. 20th

84 men and women who have been working for the Milton Steinberg Memorial have been invited to a meeting at the home of Mr. I. M. Cohen at the Sherry Netherland Hotel on Wednesday evening, December 20th, at 8:30.

Mr. Milton Weill and Mr. Cohen, Co-Chairmen, will present a new plan to the workers at that meeting. As this Bulletin goes to press, there is a great deal of enthusiasm for this meeting. This will be the first time that *all* workers from various synagogue groups will have an opportunity to get together as one strong body of workers.

Pledge Is Made In Hospital Bed

One of the most touching stories to come out of the Memorial office recently is the case of a Synagogue employee. A very fine and venerable gentleman was about to undergo an operation. When visited in the hospital the day before the operation, he expressed a desire uppermost in his mind. He requested that the major portion of his month's salary be allocated to the Milton Steinberg Memorial. This display of great generosity and deep understanding of the needs, is one of the experiences which encourages all of us to redouble our efforts to make the Milton Steinberg Memorial one worthy of its name.

Seminar to Hold Collegiate Social

The Collegiate Seminar invites all college students to renew old friendships at its city-wide Collegiate Social on Wednesday, December 27th, 8:30 P.M.

Proceeds from the $1.00 admission charge will go to the Milton Steinberg Memorial Fund.

Young Couple Makes Large Contribution

A very young couple, members of the Synagogue, voluntarily contacted someone on the Memorial Committee. They said they felt the urgency for the Memorial to such an extent that the husband wanted to pledge $1000 and the wife personally wanted to pledge $250. The spirit in which this couple made their contribution represents both their devotion to Milton Steinberg and their faith in his teachings.

Jr. League Reflects

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bution, for when one considers the average earnings of these young people, the contributions monetarily represent a high proportion of their income—higher, perhaps, than for the greater part of the congregation.

Even more important is the spirit these pledges affirm. They acknowledge the rich meaning their association with Milton Steinberg held for them. To some he was truly a friend, a teacher—an important person in their development as individuals and as Jews. To others, he was but an acquaintance—respected and admired. But to all, he was an influence as a teacher, rabbi, and representative human being.

Assisting Miss Klenert and Mr. Winter have been Miss Julia Strassburger and Mr. Bernard Weinflash.

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MEMORIAL HONOR ROLL

In this space, the BULLETIN will publish in each issue the names of those who have to date, made their pledges for the Milton Steinberg Memorial.

Harry Z. Altmark
Nathan Appleman
Alexander M. Arnstein
Barney Balaban
John Ballard
Dan W. Barkin
Robert Barzilay
Mrs. Helene S. Bauer
Mrs. Alexander Berlin
Charles Berns
Mrs. Sarah Botein Bernstein
Mrs. Abram Blau
Leon Blauner
Max Blauner
Sidney H. Blauner
Mrs. Rose J. Blondheim
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Mrs. Katherine Falk
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Philip Friedman
Miss Anna Garbuz
S. Stanley Garfinkel
Dr. Maxwell Gelfand
Abraham N. Geller
Abraham Gevirtz
M. Ginsburg
Saul Godwin
Dr. A. Allen Goldbloom
Mrs. Gussie Goldman
William M. Goldman
Milton Grass
Albert Greenspan
Louis Greenstein
Robert Greenstein
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Jacob Klein
Leopold Klein
Eugene Kramon
Mrs. B. Klenert
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Richard Kohn
Melvin Krulewitch
Joseph Kurzon
Barbara Lang
Mrs. Florence Leffert
Harold H. Levin
Maurice Levin
Miss Hortense Levy
Miss Jo Levy
Isaac Liberman
Mrs. Anna Lobel
Joseph I. Lubin
Mrs. Rose Lustig
Mrs. Emma Luebeck
George Lyttle
Joseph Mandelbaum
Men's Club
Peter Miller
Sidney Mishkin
Dr. Arthur Morse
Edward Munves
Miss Anna Nathanson
Henry Neuberg
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Arthur Ochs
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Jan. 21st Is Set for Cong. Meeting

The Annual Congregational Meeting will take place on Sunday evening, January 21st, at 6:30. The Board of Trustees is making it possible for members to attend the dinner including wine and hors d'oeuvres at the nominal price of $2.50 per person.

An informative, meaningful meeting is being planned, under the chairmanship of Mrs. Samuel Wimpfheimer. Rabbi Noveck will speak. Cantor Putterman will present musical selections. Mr. Benjamin Sack, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, will present his report. There will be a message from the President of the Congregation.

A feature of the musical program will be songs by little Herbert Coleman, child star of Lost in the Stars.

The following candidates for office will be presented by the Nominating Committee for 1951: President, Dr. E. D. Friedman; First Vice President, Mr. I. B. Oseas; Second Vice President, Mr. I. M. Cohen; Treasurer, Mr. Arthur Oehs; Associate Treasurer, Dr. Harold Osserman; Executive Secretary, Mr. Emanuel Rosenthal; Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Mr. Benjamin Sack; Vice Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Mr. Ezra Cohen; Sisterhood Designee, Mrs. Samuel Wimpfheimer; Sexton, Mr. Mortimer D. Millheiser.

Monday, January 22nd is Hamisha Asar Be'Shevat, the New Year for Trees. Fruit should be eaten for dessert at every meal, preferably fruit grown in Israel. Buy a tree in Israel for each of your children and explain its significance.

SYLVIA J. SINGER

Assistant D. A. Will Address The Sisterhood

Sisterhood will highlight its regular meeting on Tuesday, January 16th, 1 P.M., by presenting Assistant District Attorney Sylvia J. Singer, who will discuss the problem of Juvenile Delinquency.

Narcotics Committee

Mrs. Singer is particularly fit to speak on this question which vitally concerns all citizens. She has just been appointed Chairman of the newly formed Committee on the Use of Narcotics Among Teen-Age Youth. In this capacity she will deal with what the Welfare Council has termed a very serious problem in the community.

The New York Times quotes a report by the Welfare Council: "Evidence indicates that the use of drugs is no longer

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Rabbi To Discuss Reconstructionism Trends and Future

On Friday evening, January 12th, Rabbi Noveck will discuss "Reconstructionism: Does it have a future?"

He will review the basic aims of the Reconstructionist school of thought and report on recent trends in the Reconstructionist Foundation. His emphasis will be on the outlook of this important intellectual ferment in the Jewish community.

Dr. Mordecai Kaplan is celebrating his 70th birthday this year. Rabbi Noveck will outline the tenets of Dr. Kaplan's philosophy of Judaism.

Cantor Putterman To Be The Speaker At Music Service

Jewish Music Month will be opened by the Park Avenue Synagogue on Friday evening, January 19th with a service featuring special synagogue music by the cantor and choir and a talk by Cantor Putterman.

This will be the first time that Cantor Putterman has addressed a Friday evening service at the Park Avenue Synagogue. He will give a historical survey of the role of the cantor in Jewish religious life, tracing his role in Europe and America from early origins to the present time, and giving an evaluation of his place in the current scene in the Jewish community at large. He will discuss the future of the cantor in Jewish life.

Cantor Putterman, who has been officiating at the Park Avenue Synagogue for almost 18 years, is especially well equipped to deal with this subject through many years of leadership in his profession. He is Director of Music of the United Synagogue and the motivating influence behind the new school for cantors to be opened at the Jewish Theological Seminary of America next fall.

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letter to the editor

Editor:

It was not anticipated that my private letter to the Ritual Committee of the Synagogue would be excerpted, published, and commented upon with such spirit. Though I am disturbed by the fragmentary character of its editing, I am more deeply shocked by the imputation of motives that has characterized both the written and verbal response it has received. It seems inevitable that I respond. It is impossible to elaborate the issues that originally dictated my letter. They cannot be successfully argued in brevity, for there is too much that requires careful discussion and analysis.

It seems that my criticism of positions to which Rabbi Steinberg was passionately devoted suggests a note of betrayal. Nothing of the kind. My relation was and still is one of personal admiration and indebtedness. Unity of friendship does not however imply unanimity of opinion. It is tragic that my letter, critical as it is of the Reconstructionist liturgy for which Milton laboured devotedly, was printed at a time when Milton is no longer with us to reply. It is therefore doubly unfortunate that this private letter was printed. It ought however to be clear that difference and dissent are not the signs of disloyalty. Milton never made doctrine, nor ought his supporters make heretics.

It is not worthy that my error, if it be error, should be countered ad hominum, for it can be believed my criticisms of our ritual were not intended as an attack upon any man. Milton was dedicated above all to Judaism as religious faith and culture. Anyone who sought to gain analysis of any of its aspects would not necessarily win his approval, but would at any rate receive his considered attention. To remove the discussion of issues to the level of personal rebuke does not reflect successfully the seriousness of the problems American Judaism faces.

Arthur A. Cohen

Men's Club To Mark Brotherhood Week

Brotherhood Week will be celebrated by the Men's Club on Tuesday evening, February 6th. After the regular meeting, Dr. George Hunton of the Interracial Council will debate with Rabbi Kertzer on "Unfinished Business of Our Democracy".

Refreshments will follow.

Mazel Tov

TO Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Oppenheimer on the birth of a son, Gary Bruce.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Lester Metzger on the birth of a daughter.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Arkin on the engagement of their daughter Patricia to Robert Harvey Gerdsen.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Gross on the engagement of their daughter Lois to Dr. Douglas G. Smiley.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Milton Heller on their 34th wedding anniversary, January 15th.

TO Dr. and Mrs. Louis L. Shapiro on their 23rd wedding anniversary, January 22nd.

TO Mr. and Mrs. I. Edward Gevirtz on their 20th wedding anniversary, January 28th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Cohen on their 30th wedding anniversary, January 30th.

TO grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Irving Shapiro and parents Mr. and Mrs. Norman Blumstein on the birth of Betty Ann.

TO Charles I. Kingson on his Bar Mitzvah, January 20th.

3 Prominent Rabbis To Debate Survival In Ad. Ed. Symposium

A symposium on " Jewish Survival in America" will highlight the open meeting of the Parents' Association on Wednesday evening, January 17th, at 9 o'clock.

Rabbi Noveck to Speak

Rabbi Louis I. Newman, our own Rabbi Simon Noveck and Rabbi Simon Kramer will speak for the Reform, Conservative and Orthodox points of view, respectively. Each speaker will outline the program for Jewish survival which has been evolved by his group, with special emphasis on Jewish education.

Rabbi Newman

Rabbi Newman of Congregation Rodeph Sholom is the Official Observer at the United Nations for the Central Conference of American Rabbis. He is the author of many books, articles and cantatas, and co-compiler of two important anthologies on Talmud and Hasidism.

Rabbi Kramer

Rabbi Kramer of the Hebrew Institute of University Heights is the President of the New York Board of Rabbis. He is a member of the Board of Directors of the Jewish Education Committee and the Board of Trustees of Federation, and Vice President of the Synagogue Council of America.

The entire congregation is invited to this stimulating symposium.

Friends of Seminary Invite Rabbi Noveck

Rabbi Noveck will be guest speaker at the annual dinner of the Friends of the Seminary on Sunday evening, January 14th. The dinner, to be given on behalf of the Jewish Theological Seminary, will be held at the Jackson Heights Jewish Center.

The Rabbi will discuss "The Future of Judaism in America", with special emphasis on the role of the Seminary in the American Jewish community.

MILTON STEINBERG MEMORIAL NEWS

$164,000 Has Been Raised So Far As Contribution of 162 Members

Furthur progress in the campaign for the Milton Steinberg Memorial is reported by the Committee. The total of $164,000 thus far raised represents the gifts of 162 contributors. The number and the amount increases day by day.

Report to Congregation

It is hoped that those who have not indicated their contributions will do so immediately. It is the hope of the Committee that on the night of the annual meeting on January 21st the report will indicate that a substantial part of the total required will have been raised. Every committee worker is doing his utmost to give every member of the Congregation the opportunity to announce his contribution.

New Year Wish

As the New Year begins, it can well be the unanimous resolution of every member of the Park Avenue Synagogue that 1951 find the fulfillment of the goal realized.

These members have already made their pledges:

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Urgent appeal has been made for immediate shipment of clothing to immigrants in Israel for use during the coming winter months there. New clothing only is acceptable. Manufacturers' and store seconds and post-seasonal items are what is really wanted. For further details call Amy Putterman, SA 2-8165.

Immediate Needs Press for Sacrifice Toward UJA Drive

Only three months remain to complete the mass transfer of Iraqi Jews to Israel. Jews of Roumania must be aided in immigrating to Israel while it is still possible. The Jews of Lybia and Tripoli have again appealed for rescue; these lands come under direct control of the Arabs this year. The Jews of Israel must have our immediate help to provide for some 20,000 new immigrants each month.

Give until it hurts—and then give more.

Send your contribution to the United Jewish Appeal to the office of the Park Avenue Synagogue, marked for UJA.

Assistant D. A.

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restricted to marijuana but includes the more serious forms. No suitable treatment facilities exist for teen-age youth who are drug addicts, and adequate preventitive measures have not been developed."

Committee Aims

Mrs. Singer's committee will review available laws and try to provide facilities for treatment. It will try to eliminate the problem through preventitive measures and a city-wide educational program.

Youth Work

Mrs. Singer, Chairman of the City Bar Association's Committee on the Domestic Relations Court, is Assistant District Attorney of New York County in charge of youthful offenders.

All members are urged to attend this stimulating meeting.

Will Herberg to Continue Steinberg Theology Lectures

Mr. Will Herberg, noted educator and lecturer, will address the Adult Education Group on Monday evening, January 15th. His topic will be "The Doctrine of Man in Modern Religious Thought."

Philosophy Lecturer

Mr. Herberg is a lecturer on Philosophy and social politics at the Jewish Theological Seminary and the YMHA. He holds degrees from Princeton, Cornell, Columbia and Harvard and is the author of many articles. He is currently working on a book in Jewish Theology.

Dr. Louis Finklestein

Mr. Herberg's lecture will continue the annual series of Milton Steinberg Lectures on Jewish Theology. The first of this year's lectures was presented on January 8th by Dr. Louis Finklestein, President of the Jewish Theological Seminary, who spoke on "The Nature and Scope of Jewish Theology."

Jr. League Holds Meeting, Dance

The next open meeting of the Junior League, under the chairmanship of Miss Anne Stern and Mr. Murray Tarragano, will be held on Thursday evening, January 25th, at 8:30 P.M.

On January 7th the Junior League held another of its successful evening socials, with Miss Rita Goodman and Mr. Harold Kurte as co-chairmen.

New Books

The following books of Jewish interest have appeared since our last listing:

AGENDA FOR AMERICAN JEWS *by Eli Ginsberg* (King's Crown, $2.00).

COUNT FOLKE BERNADOTTE: HIS LIFE AND WORK, *by Ralph Hewins* (T. S. Denison, Minneapolis, $3).

LET MY RIGHT HAND WITHER, *by Daniel Spicehandler*, a personal account of fighting in Israel (Beechhurst, $3.50).

PICTORIAL ODDITIES FROM HEBRAIC LITERATURE, *by Solomon Lenchitz* (Exposition Press, $2).

THIS LAND, THESE PEOPLE, an anthology about Jewish life in America, edited by Harold Ribalow (Beechhurst, $3.75).

Young Marrieds to Hear Anti-Defamation Leader

The Educational Director of the Metropolitan New York Regional Office of the Anti-Defamation League, Mr. Harold Schiff, will address the next meeting of the Young Marrieds group, Tuesday evening, January 16th.

School Program

Mr. Schiff is working on the development of an integrated school program in intergroup relations in the Metropolitan area. He has been National Director of Anti-Defamation League Publications, Human Relations Consultant for the Bureau of Intercultural Education, Educational Director of the Eastern Regional Office and Consultant to the Council of Books in Wartime.

The meeting will be at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Finkelstein.

Yizkor Elohim

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father of Mrs. Saul Horowitz

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Rabbi to Discuss Unity Among N.Y. Jewish Groups

On Saturday morning, January 27th, Rabbi Noveck will discuss: "Is Unity Possible for New York Jewry?" He will take his departure from Jethro's advice to Moses in the desert on the better administration of the Jewish tribes and apply the lesson to possible unity among the Jews of Manhattan.

He will point out recent tendencies toward unity in some areas of Jewish life, and discuss the possibility of organizing an Upper East Side Jewish Community Council. He will analyze the forces which make it difficult to achieve such unity in New York, citing the experience of the Kahal during the First World War under the late Judah Magnes.

Mrs. Roosevelt Will be Speaker On Federation Day

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt will be the guest speaker on Manhattan Federation Day, Thursday, January 25th at the Hotel Plaza. More than a thousand Manhattan women, members of Sisterhoods and local welfare organizations, are expected to join in support of Federation's 116 medical and social welfare organizations.

Impressive Program

The cost of the luncheon is $2.00. Fund-raising will be by tables.

Others on the program will be the

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Friday Evening, January 26th
8:30 P.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach
"The American Rabbi"

Discussion to Spark Men's Club's Bow To Brotherhood Week

The February meeting of the Men's Club to be held on Tuesday evening, February 6th, 1951, will be in celebration of Brotherhood Week. Following the regular monthly meeting, a discussion will take place between Dr. George Hunton and Rabbi Morris N. Kertzer on the theme, "Unfinished Business of our Democracy".

Dr. Hunton

Dr. Hunton is one of the founders of the Catholic Interracial Council, the Editor of the Interracial Review, lecturer on Community Organization at Fordham University, School of Social Service, and very recently was decorated by Pope Pius for his contribution to the improvement of race relations in America.

Rabbi Kertzer

Rabbi Morris N. Kertzer is not unknown to any of us at Park Avenue Synagogue, having been our Associate Rabbi for several years. He is now the Director of Inter-Religious Activities of the American Jewish Committee.

All men are invited to attend this most important meeting and pay tribute to National Brotherhood Week.

Refreshments and social hour will follow the meeting.

Friday Sermon to Show Role of Modern Rabbi

"The American Rabbi" will be Rabbi Noveck's topic on Friday evening, January 26th. He will contrast the role of the modern American rabbi with that of a European rabbi of the last century. He will compare the role of the rabbi with that of the Catholic priest and Protestant minister. He will point out the differences in the task and role of the rabbi in a large metropolitan area and a small community.

Rabbi Noveck will outline the functions of a rabbi as teacher, pastor, community leader, and cite some of his own interesting experiences in the rabbinate in the communities where he has served.

Richard S. Zeisler To Address Meeting Of the Sisterhood

Mr. Richard S. Zeisler, an affiliate of the American Jewish Committee, will address the next regular meeting of Sisterhood on February 20th, 1 P.M.

Race Relations

His topic will be race relations, which he has studied intensively in his many travels. Mr. Zeisler has been very active in Jewish and interreligious affairs.

Thrift Shop

Sisterhood asks its members to begin setting aside old and new clothing, bric-a-brac etc. suitable for sale at the Spring Thrift Shop. Arrangements have been made to pick these items up at a later date.

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New Lecture Series To Open on Feb. 5th

On February 5th Rabbi Noveck will inaugurate a new series of lectures in the Adult Education program. These lectures, while distinct units complete within themselves, will be a continuation of the three-year series dealing with all of Jewish History.

Six Lectures

"The Medieval Jewish Community" will be the Rabbi's topic on February 5th. February 12th, "Hasidism"; February 19th, "Moses Mendelssohn and the Enlightenment"; February 26th, "The Rise and Fall of Jewish Emancipation"; March 5th, "The Rise of Modern Jewish Scholarship"; and March 12th, "The Emergence of Reform Judaism."

All members of the community are invited to attend.

"The First Million" At Jewish Museum

A special photographic exhibit entitled "The First Million," sponsored by the Jewish Agency for Palestine, will be exhibited at the Jewish Theological Seminary's Jewish Museum, 1109 Fifth Avenue, New York City from January 14-28. More than 50 panels of pictures and texts dramatically portray the remarkable growth of Israel from 1882 to the present time. Accompanying the photo exhibit is a continuous showing of the Jewish Agency's newest film, "Jerusalem My City," which has never before been seen outside of Israel.

Dr. Mordecai Kaplan to Give The Last of the Theology Talks

Dr. Mordecai M. Kaplan, founder of the Reconstructionist movement and one of the leaders of modern Jewish thought, will give the last of this year's Milton Steinberg Lectures on Jewish Theology, on Monday evening, January 29th.

70th Birthday in April

Dr. Kaplan, whose 70th birthday will be celebrated with a dinner in April, is the author of many books, articles, tracts and brochures. He has been Rabbi of the Society for the Advancement of Judaism and Dean of the Teachers' Institute of the Jewish Theological Seminary. He is a professor of Homiletics and Philosophy of Religion at the Seminary and the chairman of the editorial board of *The Reconstructionist.* He has many disciples throughout the country. His teachings are among the most controversial on the current Jewish scene.

Professor Albert Salomon

Professor Albert Salomon of the Graduate Faculty of the New School for Social Research delivered the third of the theology lectures. Professor Salomon, a member of the Adult Education Committee of the Park Avenue Synagogue, is a lecturer at Columbia University, a profound student of sociology and of the philosophy of Martin Buber, and the author of many articles.

Rabbi Noveck Speaks To Hadassah Group And Detroit Temple

Rabbi Noveck spoke before the Business and Professional Division of Hadassah on January 23rd at the Empire Hotel on Broadway and 63rd Street. His topic was "American Jewry and the State of Israel."

On Saturday, January 5th, Rabbi Noveck spoke in Detroit, Michigan at Congregation Sharay Zedeck, one of the largest conservative congregations, in honor of the Jubilee Sabbath of the Rabbinical Assembly of America.

More than 300 Conservative synagogues throughout the United States and Canada celebrated Jubilee Sabbath to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Rabbinical Assembly of America.

Jubilee services included a special prayer written by Rabbi C. David Matt of Philadelphia and a composition based on Psalm CXI, written by Rabbi Ario S. Hyams of Teaneck, N. J. Rabbi Israel M. Goldman of Baltimore, Md. served as chairman of the National Jubilee Committee.

In a message of congratulations President Harry S. Truman said, "For 50 years the Rabbinical Assembly has served the interests of God and country. As spiritual leaders in Conservative synagogues and as Chaplains in the Armed Forces, the members of this organization have served well their religion and their people."

Mazel Tov

TO Miss Hortense Levy on her engagement to Sidney J. Rubin.

TO Dr. and Mrs. D. P. Waldman on the birth of a grandson.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Luebeck on the engagement of their daughter.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Leo Graetz on their 40th wedding anniversary, January 21st.

TO Mrs. Jessie Kingson on the recent Bar Mitzvah of her son, Charles.

MILTON STEINBERG MEMORIAL NEWS

Memorial Committee Urged To Get Funds by February 1st

The Milton Steinberg Memorial Committee continues to report progress. A special effort is being made to get in as large a number of contributions as possible before February 1st, the date on which many of our Congregants leave town for winter vacation.

All members of the Committee are therefore being urged to see as many of their "prospects" as possible before that date. All members of the Congregation who have not yet added their names to the Honor Roll of Contributors to the Memorial Fund are being urged to do so before February 1st.

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Saturday, January 27th
All parents are urged to come and watch classes in progress.

Seminary Expects Martin Buber In The Fall

Professor Martin Buber of the Hebrew University, Jerusalem, world-famed scholar, religious thinker, and one of the foremost modern exponents of Hasidism, will deliver the 1951-52 Israel Goldstein Lectureship at the Jewish Theological Seminary of America. Doctor Buber will also lecture before the Seminary's Institute for Religious and Social Studies in New York and Chicago, and at its West Coast branch, the University of Judaism in Los Angeles. His topics will include: "The Early Theocracy of Israel;" "The Problem of Faith;" and "God and Man in the Psalms."

Professor Buber is expected to arrive in the United States early in the Fall of 1951 and to stay for approximately six months.

The Eternal Light Wins Radio Award

The latest ward to be won by *The Eternal Light* radio series, broadcast weekly over more than 95 stations of the National Broadcasting Company network, and heard regularly by six million Americans of all faiths, is a citation from the Academy of Radio and Television Best Arts and Sciences. The Academy cited *The Eternal Light* program, which is conducted under the auspices of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, as "one of the outstanding religious programs on the air today."

Junior Cong. Will Present Entertainment

The Junior Congregation will present an afternoon of movies and refreshments for the members of the Religious School on Sunday, February 4th, at 3 P.M. A program of feature films and color cartoons has been arranged by the committee.

At a recent Junior Congregation service an unusual honor was bestowed on three members of the Hebrew 1 class, who were called to the blessings over the Torah despite the short time that they have studied Hebrew, and gave a good accounting of themselves. They were Alan Mehlman, Susan Druss and Jimmy Kaufman.

Mrs. F. D. Roosevelt

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Honorable Robert S. Wagner, Jr., Borough President of Manhattan; Rabbi Simon G. Kramer, President, New York Board of Rabbis; Dorothy Sarnoff, star, concert and stage; Jose Ferrer, star of stage, screen and radio; Joe Adams, comedian of radio, stage and television. Other highlights will be a dramatic presentation with a stellar cast of radio actors and door prizes from many of New York's leading shops and theatres.

Get your tickets from Mrs. Henry Howe.

Yizkor Elohim

EVA HERZOG MANGES
mother of Mrs. Alex E. Arnstein

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Sisterhood Pledges $25,000 to Memorial

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Y. Marrieds Sponsor Friday Eve Service And Symposium

A symposium on "What Part Should Young Marrieds Play in the Park Avenue Synagogue?" will keynote the evening as the Young Marrieds group takes its turn to sponsor a Friday evening service on February 9th.

Rabbi Noveck will give the Sermon on the theme, "An Agenda for American Jews."

Members of the group will serve as ushers and provide refreshments. Marvin Cohen, Dorothy Ringler, Susan Ochs, Charles Jacobs and Sam Fredman will participate in the service.

This growing organization will invite opinions on the role its members should play. Sydney Silberman, William Riemer and Eleanor Robinson will start the discussion by giving their own points of view.

Krulewitch Bas Mitzvah To Be Held February 17th

Nan Krulewitch, daughter of Colonel and Mrs. Melvin Krulewitch, will celebrate her Bas Mitzvah on February 17th. Her portion will be from Exodus and her Haftarah from Ezekiel, and she will interpret both in her own words.

Rabbi Noveck's sermon for that morning will be entitled, "Is Religion a Forceful Enlightenment?"

Miss Krulewitch, a member of the 8th grade at Friends Seminary, has attended Brimmer-May School for Girls in Boston and hopes to go to Bryn Mawr College. She has attended the Religious School of the Park Avenue Synagogue for three years and has studied Hebrew privately.

Rabbi to Query Effectiveness Of Interfaith Movement

On Friday evening, February 16th, Rabbi Noveck will preach on "The Interfaith Movement: Is It Effective?"

He will analyze the various current techniques to produce good will, comparing their effectiveness. The approaches of exhortation, community participation, education and social reform will be studied. The Rabbi will cite from his own experience as a member of various interfaith clergy councils in Long Island.

He will discuss the attitude that Jews should take toward the various good will movements as presently constituted. He will suggest steps that must be taken to achieve true social democracy in America.

Zeisler to Address Sisterhood Meeting

Richard S. Zeisler, well known writer, lecturer and civic worker, will address Sisterhood at its meeting on February 20th at 1 P.M.

Mr. Zeisler, whose topic, in honor of Brotherhood Week, will be "Race Relations", is a member of the executive committee of the New York chapter of the American Jewish Committee. He is a graduate of Amherst College and has done graduate work at Harvard University. Mr. Zeisler has travelled extensively abroad. He spent eight months in Israel in 1947 and 1948.

At present he is working on two books, one on religion and one on Israel.

He is a member of the board of directors of the Palestine Economic Corporation, of the American Fund for Israel Institutions and the New York Jewish Board of Guardians.

Rabbi H. Weissburg To Preach Feb. 10

Rabbi Harold Weissburg of the Society for the Advancement of Judaism will occupy the pulpit on Saturday, February 10th. He is a recent graduate of the Jewish Theological Seminary and has been active in youth work for many years.

Cong. Meeting Elects Trustees, Officers

The largest Congregational Meeting in the history of the Park Avenue Synagogue was held on Sunday evening, January 1st. In a warm and congenial atmosphere members participated in the interesting program and listened with enthusiasm to the speakers. Rabbi Noveck and Cantor Putterman contributed to the meaningful evening. Mr. Israel Oseas' remarks appear elsewhere in this BULLETIN. The report of Mr. Benjamin Sack, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, will be sent to members in mimeographed form.

The following officers were elected for one year: I. B. Oseas, First Vice President; I. M. Cohen, Second Vice President; Arthur Ochs, Treasurer; Dr. Harold Osserman, Associate Treasurer; Emanuel Rosenthal, Executive Secre-

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from the desk of the Vice-President

During the past three years, it has been customary for us to hear an annual message from Dr. Friedman, our president. Dr. Friedman is unable to be here tonight and I shall not attempt to emulate him. I have neither the learning nor the experience to deliver a message of the kind that Dr. Friedman has delivered. I hope he will soon be with us and able to deliver one again, but I think it is appropriate that I should say a few words in his place.

I report to you at the end of an era, seventeen years of the ministry of Milton Steinberg.

I need not report to you on his accomplishments during that ministry. You were here. This Synagogue is his monument.

Milton Weill has spoken to us well of the importance of the physical housing of the Synagogue and the Rabbi has told us of his conception of the nature of a Congregation. I should like to add a third point of view.

What is the essential nature of this monument? What is our Synagogue? It is not the corporation existing under the laws of the State of New York. It is not this edifice. It is not even the services, the school, the courses and the many splendid organizations which we have. It is, as the Rabbi says, the people, you and I. Milton's mission was to us. It was to help us to be Jews and even in larger part to make us Jews. It was an individual ministry to individuals.

What is involved in the process of becoming a Jew? The heathen who came to inquire of Hillel must have been a member of a large tribe and I am sure he left numerous progeny, because we have been trying ever since that time to simplify the statement of what is required by our faith. And while recognizing the dangers in oversimplification, as I understood Milton's message, there are three elements in the process of becoming a Jew that he stressed.

There is first the requirement of study. Study in our religion is a religious act. In its emphasis on the importance of study I believe Judaism to be unique. Study is of basic importance in order to enable us to understand our religion. Second, there is the service and the ritual which give form to our religious devotion and impose upon us a religious discipline. Third, there is the effect of all of this on us in our day to day living.

You will notice that I say study and not teaching. There is a very strange phenomenon among us Jews which has been noted before, and that is, that while it is comparatively easy to obtain people to sit on boards of trustees or on school boards, to serve on committees, to arrange lectures, even to build buildings, it is very difficult to get those same people to submit themselves to the self discipline of studying Judaism within the schools that they themselves have created and of attending services within the Synagogue that they have built; in other words, to impose upon themselves the self discipline necessary to becoming individual Jews.

If I understand Milton's mission, it will be fulfilled if Milton has so influenced our lives that we will ourselves become Jews; that we will not merely provide an opportunity for others to become Jews, but that we will subject ourselves to the final dicipline required to achieve the standards that he set for us.

What I am saying is that we must reach maturity. We must achieve the ability to stand upon our own feet in religious matters. For seventeen years we have been like children following the precepts of a wise parent. Now our parent is no more and we must do what a child does when his parent dies. He must grow up. He must achieve maturity. He must be ready to stand on his own or he will be incapable of surviving. In a sense, we must try to achieve the situation that was normal in the European synagogue in which the rabbi was merely one of a large number of learned members of the Congregation, not necessarily the most learned, but a professional worker in a field in which a great many people were equally qualified with him.

We are told in the Jewish religion to be holy because God is holy. Milton Steinberg set for us an individual example, not merely of Jewish teaching, but of Jewish living. It is this example that we must emulate if we are to fulfill the teaching of Milton Steinberg.

It has been said that the memory of the righteous is a blessing. The blessing is there for us to receive. Will we take the necessary step to receive it?

—ISRAEL B. OSEAS

Mazel Tov

TO Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Phillips on the engagement of their daughter.

TO Rabbi and Mrs. Morris Kertzer on the birth of their son, Jonathan Michael.

TO Parents Mr. and Mrs. David Fuchs and grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Bernstein on the birth of Sondra.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Grauer on their 10th wedding anniversary, February 14th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Rubin on their 25th wedding anniversary, February 22nd.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cohen on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Robert, February 10th.

TO Colonel and Mrs. Melvin Krulewitch on the Bas Mitzvah of their daughter, Nan, February 17th.

TO Mr. Victor J. Herwitz, who has been appointed Assistant Corporation Counsel, Chief of Bureau of Litigation.

TO Mr. Herman Hoffman, who has been appointed Associate Justice of the Court of Special Sessions.

MILTON STEINBERG MEMORIAL NEWS

Sisterhood Raises Its Pledge To $25,000 at Cong. Meeting

The devotion of Sisterhood to the memory and ethical leadership of Milton Steinberg was manifest in the announcement by its president, Mrs. Samuel Wimpfheimer, at the Congregational Dinner on Sunday, January 21st, that Sisterhood would work through the aid of numerous projects to raise its earlier pledge of $5,000 to a top figure of $25,000. This raises the overall total so far pledged to $191,873.

She said, "Sisterhood is working the way Milton would want us to."

It is expected that an announcement will soon be made indicating the exact nature of the Memorial building project. When the Committee now working on the project has completed its negotiations, it is expected that the entire Congregation will respond wholeheartedly, and that the funds necessary will then be made available through the contributions of those who will wish to have their names added to the honor roll of contributors.

These members have already made their pledges:

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Young Marrieds to Hold A Social Evening

The Young Marrieds will hold a social meeting, to which all young married couples are invited, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Riemer on Tuesday evening, February 13th. Card Games and charades are promised and a lively swapping of recipes.

At the last meeting of the group Mr. Harold Schiff of the Anti-Defamation League demonstrated how discriminatory rumors spread. Five members were asked to leave the room. When the first volunteer came back he was shown briefly a slide of two men having an argument, one of them holding a razor.

He was asked to tell what he had seen to the next participant, and so on. By the time the fifth participant told the story the razor had travelled from one man to the other, and the argument had grown to armed assault.

Men's Club Expects Mr. James P. Warburg

James P. Warburg, outstanding author and lecturer and member of Franklin D. Roosevelt's first "Brain Trust", will address the Men's Club on Tuesday evening, March 6th.

A member of one of America's most distinguished Jewish families, Mr. Warburg has visited the four zones of Germany and written about them extensively in many articles.

His subject will be, "Faith, Purpose and Power", the title of his latest book.

A discussion will follow.

Cong. Meeting Elects

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tary; Benjamin Sack, Chairman of the Board of Trustees; Ezra Cohen, Vice Chairman of the Board of Trustees; Mrs. Samuel Wimpfheimer, Sisterhood Designee; Mortimer D. Millheiser, Sexton.

Trustees, to serve for three years, will be: Hon. Bernard Botein, Harold H. Levin, George Lyttle, Arthur Ochs, Hon. Simon Rifkind, Milton Weill, Melvin Krulewitch.

Members of the Advisory Council for three years will be: Alex Ostriker, Samuel Wimpfheimer, M. D. Millheiser, Joseph Kurzon, Morris Joffe, Edward Peiper, Joseph H. Cohen, Maurice Rentner, Irving Geist, Albert Greenspan, Louis Heller, Nathan Appleman, Victorine Wimpfheimer.

Jr. League Dance to Boost Memorial

The Junior League will hold another fund-raising dance on Sunday evening, February 18th, for the Milton Steinberg Memorial. The donation will be $1.25.

The New York Council of the Young People's League of the United Synagogue of America, of which the Junior League is a member, will sponsor the Festival of Jewish Folk Arts to be held at Carnegie Hall on February 10th. Solo artists, chorus and the dance team of Delakova and Berk will take part.

Donald Harrington to be Brotherhood Speaker

Mr. Donald Harrington, successor to John Haynes Holmes as the Minister of the Community Church, will occupy the pulpit of the Park Avenue Synagogue on February 23rd.

Mr. Harrington is National Chairman of the Workers Defense League, Honorary President of the Murray Hill Community Chapter, Vice Chairman of the New York State Branch and a member of the National Executive Council of the United World Federalists, Inc.

He married Vilma Szantho, also a Unitarian minister, on one of his many European trips.

Parents Visit School

On January 21st and 27th the parents visited the classes of the Religious School and afterward discussed their children's work with teachers.

On January 21st they shared the children's Hamisha Asar Be'Shevat fruits and were addressed by Mr. I. M. Cohen on the need for a new school building.

On January 27th they joined the children's Kiddush and were addressed by Mr. Stanley Simon.

Hasidism to Be The Rabbi's Topic

Rabbi Noveck will lecture on "The Romance of Hasidism" on Monday, February 12th at 9 P.M. This lecture is part of the Adult Education series on the rise of modern Judaism.

Eight o'clock classes continue on Monday evenings in Hebrew, Choral Music, Martin Buber, and Comparative Religion.

Depot is Set Up For Thrift Shop

Members of Sisterhood are asked to begin their contributions to the Spring Thrift Shop. A depot for bric-a-brac, old and new clothing, canned goods etc. has been established at the Synagogue.

Mrs. J. Easton Holzman is chairman of the committee. Co-chairmen are Mesdames Mitchell Bernstein, Alfred Lubeck, Harry Nievart and Harold Levin.

You Were a Lighthouse

To Milton Steinberg

You were a lighthouse on a wreck strewn reef,
When pounding waves my vessel tossed

On rocks submerged, your clear and constant beam
Defined my course—I was not lost!

The starless skies confused the studied charts,
My deck was toyed by raging gale;

A fearless vigil through the storm you kept
And brought to port my tattered sail!

The lighthouse stands unmanned on hazy shore,
The lantern has no flame, no light;
I do not fear, for He Who poured the sea
And all beneath will lead me right!

JACK I. MALTZ.

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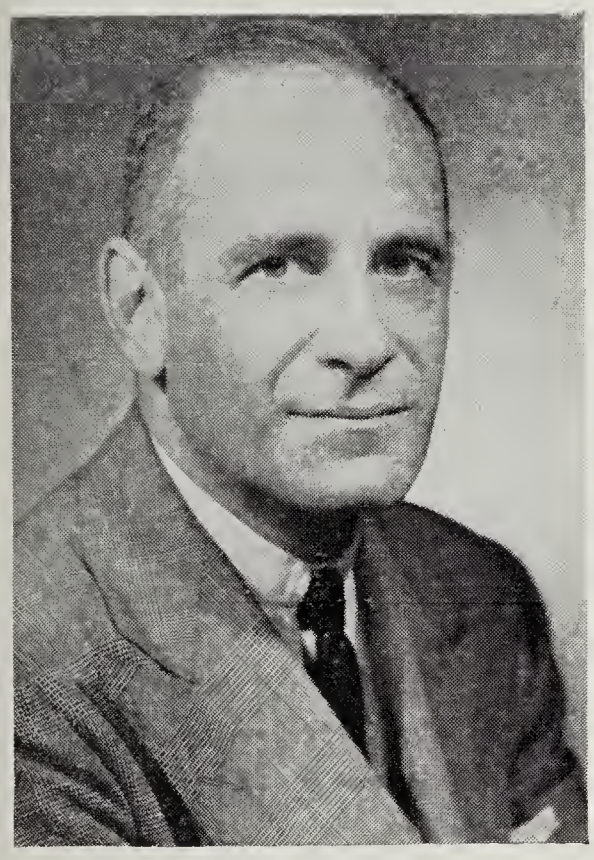

JAMES P. WARBURG

Men's Club to Hear James P. Warburg

Mr. James P. Warburg, distinguished historian and lecturer, will address the Men's Club on Tuesday evening, March 6th, on the subject, "Faith, Purpose and Power," an affirmative American peace policy.

A graduate of Harvard and an officer in the World War I, Mr. Warburg came into prominence when he became a

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Donald Harrington To Be Guest Speaker At Friday Service

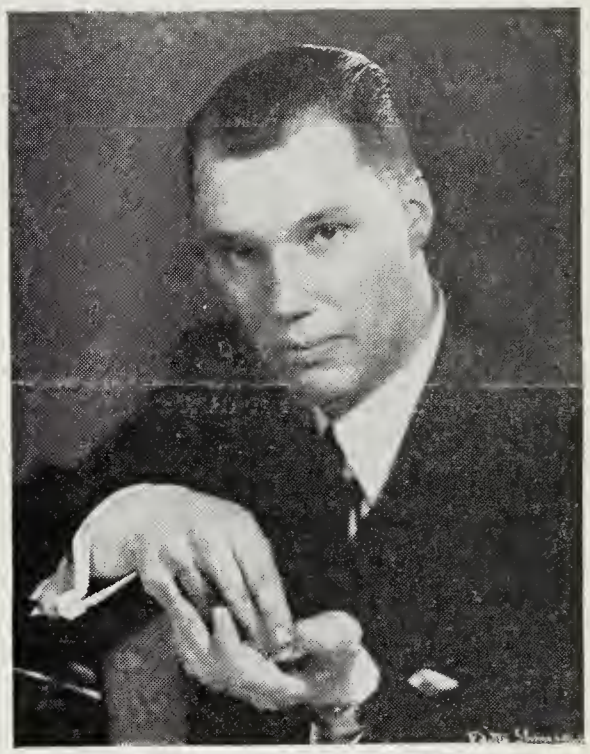
Mr. Donald Harrington will occupy the pulpit of the Park Avenue Synagogue on Friday evening, February 23rd, in honor of Brotherhood Week.

Since 1949 the minister of the Community Church of New York, Mr. Harrington succeeded John Haynes Holmes, whose Junior Colleague he had been since 1944.

Mr. Harrington attended Antioch College and the University of Chicago, where he received his Bachelor's Degrce. He received the Cruft Travelling Fellowship and continucd his studies in Europe, where he met and married the Rev. Vilma Szantho, first woman ever to be ordained in the ministry in Central Europe.

In 1939 he was called to the pulpit of the Peoples Liberal Church of Chicago. In 1941, under his leadership, the church founded a new church in the Chicago suburb of Beverly Hills.

He is National Chairman of the Workers Defense League, Honorary President of the Murray Hill Community Chapter, Vice Chairman of the New York State Branch and a member of the National Executive Council of the United World Federalists, Inc., Vice Chairman of the National Council, and honorary treasurer and chairman of the liaison committee of the World Federalist Movement.



DONALD HARRINGTON

Morris Joffe Heads Seminary Committee

Benjamin Sack, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, announces the formation of a new Committee to function under the authority of the Board called Seminary Relations Committee. Morris Joffe has accepted Chairmanship and his Co-Chairmen will be Judge Simon H. Rifkind and Mr. Isaac Liberman.

It is hoped that in creating this Committee a closer bond will be developed between the members of our Synagogue and the Jewish Theological Seminary of America.

Rabbi Noveck to Continue Modern Judaism Lectures

Rabbi Noveck will lecture on "Moses Mendelsohn and the Enlightenment" on Monday, February 19th, at 9 P.M. He will discuss the spread of enlightenment and the intellectual awakening of the Jews towards modern Judaism.

His topic for February 26th will be "The Rise and Fall of Jewish Emancipation." These lectures are part of the Adult Education Series on the rise of modern judaism.

Eight o'clock classes continue on Monday evenings in Hebrew, Choral Music, Martin Buber, and Comparative Religion.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday Evening, February 23rd.....8:30 P.M.
Mr. Donald Harrington will discuss: "INTERFAITH"

Saturday Morning, February 24th.....10 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach: "IS COMPROMISE A VIRTUE?"

Friday Evening, March 2nd.....8:30 P.M.
Rabbi Noveck will discuss:
"JUDAISM AND ETHICAL CULTURE — ARE THEY COMPATIBLE?"

Saturday Morning, March 3rd.....10 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach:
"SOLOMON SCHECTER, THE MAN AND HIS PHILOSOPHY"
(on the occasion of his 100th birthday)

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from the desk of Rabbi Noveck

There have been a number of encouraging developments in the life of our Synagogue in recent weeks. First and most gratifying of course is the possible acquisition of some property in the near future which will give us quarters for our expanded Religious School and also land upon which to build the structure we have all been dreaming of as a Memorial to Rabbi Steinberg. We owe a debt of gratitude to all who are working to make possible this important event.

Secondly, the recent Annual Congregational Dinner-Meeting which, I believe brought the largest attendance in many years, was an encouraging sign of the fundamental unity of our congregation and the interest that our membership has in its future.

Sisterhood

Thirdly, the pledge of Sisterhood of $25,000 to the Memorial Fund indicates not only a will to succeed in this all important project but that Sisterhood is an organization with faith in the future and a determination to play an important role in the congregation.

Adult Education

Fourthly, the success of our Adult Education program this year has been most heartening. The interest and enthusiasm displayed in the four lectures on theology given by Dr. Finkelstein, Will Herberg, Professor Salomon and Dr. Kaplan, the large attendance and the tremendous interest in the ideas propounded, have confirmed the plans of the Committee on Adult Education to make this an annual event. Now in the seventeenth week of our Monday evening series, despite weather and outside attractions, interest continues unabated. This should indeed be a source of gratification to all of us.

Religious School

Fifthly, the progress being made in our Hebrew School, particularly in the Junior Congregation on Saturday mornings is worthy of note. Attendance in our School even during the recent cold spell and snowstorm has been consistently around 90%. Reports come back of children singing the songs they learn in the Religious School in their homes and in general of a positive attitude towards the School.

Youth Program

Finally, I am encouraged by our Youth Program. The progress of the College Seminar both culturally and socially, the growth of the Young Marrieds group and the continued high level of the activities of the Junior League all indicate that for these age levels at least the youth problem in our Synagogue is being solved.

Much of course remains to be done. A more elaborate program for our Teen Agers must be evolved. Our Friday evening services, though generally well attended, attract the wider community but not enough of our own congregants. There are undoubtedly other weak spots in our Synagogue structure. We can overcome them, however, if we engage in "team thinking" and exchange ideas one with another. If any of you have any suggestions or comments on our Synagogue activities, or programs I shall be very happy if you will write to me. Your reactions and suggestions will be very seriously considered. Together I am confident that we can make of our Synagogue a very effective institution that will be a force in the lives of our membership and a source of inspiration to the entire community.

SIMON NOVECK.

Mazel Tov

TO Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Sack on their Wedding Anniversary, February 23rd.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Dan Barkin on the marriage of their son, Bernard, to Miss Barbara Lesser.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Bernard J. Weintraub on their wedding anniversary, February 2nd.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Shapiro on the engagement of their daughter, Jean Dorris, to Mortimer J. Blumenthal.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Gotterer on the engagement of their daughter, Dorothy Rose, to Dr. Melvin Horowitz.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Haft on the marriage of their son, Norman, to Miss Deborah Miller.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Friedman on their 46th wedding anniversary, March 6th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Godfried Jacob on their 15th wedding anniversary, February 2nd.

Ritual Committee to Plan Annual Passover Sedar

The Ritual Committee of the Synagogue is exploring the possibility of a communal seder to be held in the Vestry of the Synagogue on the second night of Passover, Saturday night, April 21st. The caterer who served at the annual congregational dinner has promised a traditional Passover Seder at the very reasonable rate of $6.00 per person. This will include an eight course dinner with wine and all the adornments of Passover. Rabbi Noveck and Cantor Putterman have volunteered to conduct the seder. Mrs. Dorothy Sokolow is chairman of the committee on arrangements. Members and their friends are urged to call the Synagogue office if they are interested.

MILTON STEINBERG MEMORIAL NEWS

338 Members Have Pledged Over $200,000 for Memorial Building

The Memorial Fund has now passed the two hundred thousand dollar mark. It had been hoped that by the time this issue of the BULLETIN went to press the Committee would also have been ready to announce the details of the Memorial Building project. It is expected that in the next issue of the BULLETIN all details will be made available.

Additional names have been added to this week's issue of the Honor Roll. The total number of contributors to date is 338. More than $45,000 has been paid by contributors on account of pledges.

If any member of the Synagogue wishes to be contacted by the Committee, it is suggested that he telephone the Memorial Office, SAcramento 2-5427, and ask for Harriet Meyer. An appointment will be arranged for a personal visit.

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Junior Cong. Delegates Tour Federation Groups

Thursday, February 22nd, Eleanor Foa and Paul Bienstock, delegates of the Junior Congregation student council, represented the school on a tour of Federation Institutions sponsored by the Jewish Education committee.

A group of twenty-two students, from mid-Manhattan synagogues, visited six institutions supported by Federation. They stopped for lunch in the Vestry of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

The delegates will report on the trip at special Junior Congregation meeting which will use the information in planning allocations of the Keren Ami fund.

James Warburg Speaks

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member of Franklin D. Roosevelt's first "Brain Trust." Since 1935 he has been a free lance writer on international affairs, domestic politics and economics. He visited the four zones of Germany as a correspondent as well as Central and Western Europe and wrote many articles on Germany, Britain and Czechoslovakia. He is a member of one of America's most distinguished Jewish families.

A discussion period will follow. Those who have heard Mr. Warburg speak will recall that he arouses great enthusiasm from the audience during a question period.

All men are invited to attend and are requested to bring a prospective member and friend. Refreshments and social hour will follow.

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COMING EVENTS

Adult Education Students will sponsor a Friday evening service, March 9.

Gala Purim Party featuring the reading of the Megillah and entertainment, Wednesday evening, March 31st.

Sisterhood Thrift Shop Requests Merchandise

Sisterhood's Spring Thrift Shop project is surging ahead. Many packages of new and used clothing, bric a brac and canned foods are accumulating in the depot established for this purpose in the Synagogue. Some manufacturer friends have donated samples and damaged merchandise. Please drop off a package of saleable wares the next time you are in the neighborhood.

Collegiates to Sponsor Folk Dancing Festival

Sunday, February 25th, at 2 P.M., under the chairmanship of Elna Loescher, the collegiate group of the Park Avenue Synagogue will present a demonstration lecture on folk singing and dancing in the synagogue vestry. Group dancing will follow. All synagogue collegiates and recent graduates are invited. Admission will be fifty cents.

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Mr. and Mrs. Harry Zucker

Dr. Sol Ginsburg Will Address Sisterhood Meeting

On March 20th, Dr. Sol Weiner Ginsburg, eminent psychiatrist, will address Sisterhood on "A Concept of Mental Health for Our Times." Dr. Ginsburg holds a number of important positions in the psychiatric field and has written an imposing number of publications. All members and friends are cordially invited to attend.

Wanted for The Bulletin

All those who can Write, Type, Draw or have a nose for news. No experience necessary. Contact Mrs. Marvin Robinson, 530 East 90 St., or call SAcramento 2-2567.

Hebrew School To Show Movies At Synagogue

Sunday Movie Afternoon at the Synagogue has become a regular feature of the Hebrew School program. The success of the last party has prompted a second afternoon of movies and refreshments to be held Sunday, March 4th, at 2 P.M.

The films are selected and the movie projector operated by students. Refreshments are served by a student committee. No admission fee is required. A system has been established of making voluntary contributions to Keren Ami fund as they enter.

Yizkor Elohim

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Congregation Acquires Building For Milton Steinberg Memorial School

Announcement has been made by the Board of Trustees that the building immediately to the west of the Synagogue proper, has been acquired by the Synagogue, and that possession is to be taken at once. This important step towards the fulfillment of the Milton Steinberg Memorial dream, makes it possible for the Committee to work out its plans in detail.

The building has nine rooms—all of which can at present be used for classrooms after the necessary repairs are made. When the total goal of $500,000 has been realized, additions and renovations will be made enlarging both the front and back areas to provide space for the construction of many more classrooms. Plans are now being studied by architects and builders. As soon as these are available, details will be announced.

The advantages of acquiring this building are self evident: it immediately adjoins the main Synagogue structure. Doorways can be broken through and the two buildings may be merged into one. Separate rooms will give the much needed privacy to classroom instruction which the Synagogue has found lacking in its present school setup.

It was one of Rabbi Milton Steinberg's ambitions throughout his life to acquire this building. It fulfills every standard set up by the Milton Steinberg Memorial Committee, and when renovated it will be part of the Synagogue building itself.

News of the acquisition of this building has electrified the Memorial Fund workers as well as contributors. Every member of the Congregation who has been anxiously awaiting information about definite plans, will use this opportunity to make a substantial contribution, and to have his name recorded in the Honor Roll of subscribers to the Memorial.

The renovation plans, the extension of the building to provide more class room space, the breaking through of walls between the two buildings, the repairs, painting, and finally the equipment, will call for the $500,000 set as the campaign goal. So far $200,435 has been pledged. This announcement will give the necessary incentive for the realization of the complete goal within the next few months.

Memorialization opportunities will be offered, and rooms will be named in memory of parents, husbands, wives, or children. A schedule of memorial opportunities will be made which will be available to those interested. The Memorial Committee may be consulted at any time and help will be extended to any member or family in the Synagogue interested in this opportunity for planning a suitable memorial for a departed relative.

In addition to the memorial opportunities listed above, it is planned to erect a permanent plaque in the entrance foyer of the building, on which will be inscribed the names of those contributors of $1000 and over. This plaque will forever testify to the loyalty and generosity of those who helped make possible the MILTON STEINBERG MEMORIAL BUILDING.

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Dun & Bradstreet Editor To Address Men's Club Meeting

The next meeting of the Men's Club will be held on Tuesday evening, April 3rd. The highlight of the evening will be a talk by Mr. A. M. Sullivan, Editor of the Dun & Bradstreet Review. His topic will be "Credit . . . Man's Confidence in Man." This will be followed by a half hour movie bearing the same title, which graphically portrays in story form the message of the subject. The film was recently released and has received acclaim from many audiences.

Mr. Sullivan, who is a noted economist and outstanding lecturer, will show how the economic level in America is maintained, how credit converts wealth into raw materials and tools and raises our standard of living. He will explain how credit between housewife and grocer, grocer and wholesaler, wholesaler and manufacturer or producer, nation and nation, generates light and enables us to buy a can of coffee as well as operate the Marshall Plan.

An additional event of the evening will be the report of the Nominating Committee on the slate for next year, 1951-52.

All men are invited to attend this most important meeting.

Rabbi David Panitz To Be Guest Speaker At Young Marrieds

The Young Marrieds will hold their next meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Osserman on Tuesday evening, March 13th. The topic for the evening, will be "Religious Customs and Ceremonies in the Home." Rabbi David Panitz of B'nai Jeshurun will be the guest speaker, announced Dr. Marvin Robinson, president of the group.

The last meeting held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Riemer, was a social evening highlighted by the toasting of marshmellows and lively card games. All Young Marrieds are invited to attend the next meeting.

JUNIOR LEAGUE PARTY

On Sunday afternoon, March 11th, the Junior League is holding an informal "Apres-midi Dansant" from 3 to 6:30 p.m. A donation of $1.25 will enable one to enjoy the music, refreshments, and general sociability.

Mazel Tov

TO Capt. and Mrs. Dudley Greenstein on their first Wedding Anniversary, March 12th.

TO Mr. Henry Howe on his Birthday, March 1st.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Isaacs on their 25th Wedding Anniversary, March 10th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Harry Friedman on their 20th Wedding Anniversary, March 20th.

TO Grandparents Dr. and Mrs. Frank E. Cross and parents Dr. and Mrs. Vincent P. Perlo on the birth of a son.

DR. SOL W. GINSBERG

Sisterhood to Hear Noted Psychiatrist

At Sisterhood's regular meeting on March 20th, Dr. Sol Weiner Ginsburg, prominent psychiatrist, will speak on "A Concept of Mental Health for Our Times." This topic will prove highly informative since it will be presented by a physician who has the background and vast experience of Dr. Ginsburg.

After graduation from Columbia College of Physicians and Surgeons, he studied extensively in Germany, Holland and the United States.

Dr. Ginsburg has been on the Committee of Psychiatric Needs and Rehabilitation, Committee on the Study of Ambulatory Care of Psychiatric Patients, Consultant in Psychiatry for the New York State Hospital Study, Editorial Board Member of the American Journal of Orthopsychiatry, and Special Consultant of the Center for Human Relations Studies, New York University.

Dr. Ginsburg is also the author of a list of publications which include books, pamphlets and articles pertaining to his specialty.

The Unveiling Ceremony for our beloved teacher and friend, Rabbi Milton Steinberg, will take place Sunday morning, March 25th, 11:00 A.M. at the Mt. Hope Cemetery, Westchester, New York.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday Evening, March 9th.....8:30 P.M.
Symposium on "JUDAISM AND THE MODERN MIND"

Saturday Morning, March 10th.....10:00 A.M.
Rabbi Jack J. Cohen of the Society for the Advancement of Judaism will be guest speaker

Friday Evening, March 16th.....8:30 P.M.
Maurice Samuel will discuss: "THE GENTLEMAN AND THE JEW"

Saturday Morning, March 17th.....10:00 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach:
"IS THERE ROOM FOR VENGEANCE IN JEWISH LIFE?"

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Adult Education To Participate in Friday Eve Services

On Friday evening March 9th, the Adult Education department of the Synagogue will sponsor the Friday evening services. Three students of the Hebrew classes will participate in the service. These include, Mrs. Anna Salomon, Mrs. Ruth Druss and Mrs. Belle Green.

The choral group which has been meeting every Monday evening with Cantor Putterman will sing the entire musical service. Cantor Putterman has trained this group in a special program of Synagogue choral music and traditional congregational melodies.

He will personally conduct them since they will sing from the pulpit, appropriately attired in caps and gowns. The members of the group are: Leonie Frieder, Fan Greenstein, Ann Harrison, Irma Heller, Liselotte Horn, Lillian Kirson, Antoinette Reinhart, Ella Ritey, Gerda Simon, Marcelle Simon, Emma Stahl, Frank Strassfeld, Edith Vyner, Sylvia Weill and Edmund Weissbart.

Replacing the usual sermon will be a symposium discussion on the general theme: "Judaism and the Modern Mind." Participants in this symposium will include Miss Judith Klenert representing the course in Comparative Religion and two other speakers to be announced shortly.

The purpose of this special service is to dramatize the importance of Adult Jewish Education in the modern world. The Adult Education Program has run for 20 weeks with an average attendance of 150 to 200 persons.

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Sisterhood, Junior League To Sponsor Purim Party

This year's congregational Purim Party will be held Wednesday evening, March 21st. It is being sponsored by both the Sisterhood and the Junior League. The Sisterhood is responsible primarily for the refreshments while the young people are providing the entertainment to be presented in the Vestry following the reading of the *Megillah* upstairs. Representatives of all the groups of the Synagogue will participate in the services which will be held at 7:30 P. M.

The entertainment will be a revue which has been written by a Junior League committee consisting of the Misses Judith Ackerman, who is the director of the show, Leah Goldman and Anne Stern with Messrs Robert Barzilay, Louis Heller and Murray Tarragano. Additional help in planning the revue was given by Mesdames Helen Wimpfheimer, Rhoda Fieber, Doris Rome, and Phyllis Siegel of the Sisterhood and Miss Jean Sack,

Some of the members of the cast are: Misses Rita Goodman, Shirley Lipsky, Eileen Niviere, Joyce Schneider, Thelma Shafer, and Judy Strasburger; Messrs Eugene Aronson, Lester Burger, Al Dresner, S. Robert Greenstein, Richard Kohn, Irwin Safran, Herbert Schlossberg, Bernard Weinflash, Bernard Raphan, and Seymour Finkelstein.

Other Junior Leaguers helping to put on the show are Misses Phyllis Gerard, Norma Herrman, and Rita Spiegel. A treat and an old-fashioned good time are in store for everyone, so be sure to attend the *Purim* celebration.

School Plans Parties For Purim Holidays

An extensive Purim celebration is being planned by the students of the Religious School in cooperation with the class mothers and Parents' Association.

The holiday will be highlighted by a series of individual home parties for each class .The students will prepare the costumes and favors for the parties and plan appropriate entertainment and games.

On Sunday, March 18th, the school will conduct its annual Purim Carnival in the Vestry of the Synagogue. The students, in their gay costumes, will enjoy the games of chance and skill and, at the same time, help raise funds for the Keren Ami fund.

Wednesday afternoon, March 21st at 4:30 P. M., special Purim services will be held for the students. At this time, the Megillah reading will be followed by songs and entertainment and the serving of the traditional Hamantashen.

Dr. Robert Gomberg To Address Parents

Dr. Robert Gomberg, executive director of the Jewish Family Welfare Agency, will discuss "Marriage and the Family: Problems and Tensions" at 8:30 P.M. Wednesday evening, March 14th in the Vestry.

Dr. Gomberg, who will speak under the auspices of the Parents' Association, will lead the open discussion period after his speech. Members are urged to attend and participate in what promises to be a provocative evening.

The Parents' Association has scheduled its annual card party for 8:30 P.M. Sunday evening, April 15. Mrs. Harry Zucker has been named chairman for the event. Further details will be disclosed in the next issue of the BULLETIN.

Closing Party Planned For Adult Education

On Monday evening, March 12th, the closing excerises of the Adult Education department will take place, following the major lecture at 9:45 P. M. The topic of Rabbi Noveck's last lecture for this season will be on the subject: "The Rise of Reform Judaism."

The members of all the courses will then join together for special refreshments and a program, participated in by Cantor Putterman, Jonathan Steinberg, Harold Starkman and the members of the faculty.

Yizkor Elohim

MARY C. MENES
mother of Mrs. Louis Feldman

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The Unveiling Ceremony for our beloved and revered teacher and friend, Rabbi Milton Steinberg, will take place on Sunday morning, March 25th at 11:00 A.M. at the Mt. Hope Cemetery, Westchester, New York. Rabbi Noveck and Cantor Putterman will officiate at the services.

The Yarzeit will be commemorated on Friday evening, April 6th at the Synagogue. Rabbi Noveck will speak on the theme: "The Legacy of Milton Steinberg."

Directions for those who wish to drive are as follows: take Riverside Drive or Broadway to Hendrick Hudson Parkway. Continue on Saw Mill River Parkway. At Farragut Avenue, Hastings-on-Hudson turn right to Saw Mill River Road. Turn left then to Mt. Hope.

By train, take the New York Central, Hudson River Division to Hastings-on-Hudson. Taxi to Cemetery.

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Men's Club to Give Annual Youth Medal For Leadership

The Men's Club, through the National Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs, will give its annual Youth Leadership Award, announced Mr. Joseph H. Katz, president of the group.

The award, a sterling silver medal and certificate, will be presented to the boy or girl, between the ages of 13 and 17, who has shown the greatest aptitude for leadership in Jewish life. The committee selecting this award consists of the Rabbi, the Chairman of the Board of the Synagogue, the Principal of the School, the Chairman of the School Board, and the President of the Men's Club.

A standard for the guidance of the award committee has been set up and the award will be presented in the Synagogue during the confirmation exercises or some other day around Shavuoth. The purpose of this award is self-evident and is consonant with the position that the Men's Club is taking in Jewish Life.

The Passover Community Seder will be conducted by Rabbi Noveck and Cantor Putterman on Saturday evening, April 21st at 6:30 P.M. Dinner will be $6.00 per person. Call Synagogue office for reservations. SAcramento 2-8765.

Mazel Tov

TO Mr. and Mrs. Milton Weill on their 29th Wedding Anniversary, March 5th.

TO Mr. Jacob Klein on his birthday, March 12th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Saul Godwin on their 22nd Wedding Anniversary, March 14th.

TO Mrs. Tillie Heller on her 86th Birthday, March 23rd.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Edward Peiper on their 25th Wedding Anniversary, March 24th.

TO Mrs. Emma Luebeck on her 88th Birthday, March 26th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Joseph I. Lubin on the birth of a grandchild.

TO Mr. and Mrs. George Ringler on the Marriage of their son, Melville, to Miss Betty-Rose Levy, March 18th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Sack on the Marriage of their daughter, Elinor, to Mr. Bela Adler, March 14th.

TO Mrs. Frieda Ochs on her 85th Birthday, March 26th.

TO Dr. and Mrs. William Karmiol on the Marriage of their daughter, Frances June, to Mr. Theodore Frost, March 11th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Waldman on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Roger, March 24th.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday Evening, March 23rd ..... 8:30 P.M.
Rabbi Noveck will speak on:
"PSYCHOANALYSIS AND ANTI-SEMITISM"

Saturday Morning, March 24th ..... 10:00 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Roger Waldman

Friday Evening, March 30th ..... 8:30 P.M.
Sisterhood Sabbath and Symposium

Saturday Morning, March 31st ..... 10:00 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach

Parents' Association Sponsors Workshop For Purim Holiday

Twelve mothers participated in the highly successful Purim Workshop conducted by Mrs. Stanley Simon, chairman of the Parents' Association Workshop, at her home last month. Two sessions were held and the first was devoted to a discussion of "The Role of Esther." The group decided the modern Esther must insure "loyalty to a double heritage, American and Jewish."

Purim film strips, costume making and gift giving were the subjects of the second session. Mrs. Albert Stangel, an active group member, contributed patterns and fabrics.

The consensus of the group was expressed by Mrs. Leone Klein, one of its members, who said, "Prior to my attendance at the meeting, my knowledge of Purim was negligible. My immediate desire was to read the story of Esther to acquaint myself further with Purim. The making of costumes for my children would have been impossible without the assistance of the workshop."

Mention of the workshop has appeared in the "Synagogue School," a publication. All workshops are planned under the guidance of the Jewish Education Committee, Rabbi Noveck, Cantor Putterman and Mr. Leichling, Principal of the Religious School.

Dates for the Passover Workshop will be announced in the next edition of the BULLETIN.

Rabbi Noveck Is Speaker On Eternal Light Program

On Sunday morning, February 25th, Rabbi Noveck was the guest speaker on the Eternal Light Program over the National Broadcasting Company. He commented on the dramatic presentation which was on the subject: "David and Absalom."

On Monday, February 26th, the Rabbi lectured at Columbia University in the course, Foundations of Judaism. His topic was "The Social Philosophy of the Talmud."

March 12th, Rabbi Noveck was the guest speaker at one of the local chapters of Women for Israel. He spoke on "Is a Jewish Culture possible in America?"

Members who have already made their pledges:

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Mr. and Mrs. Elmer M. Arluck
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A. M. SULLIVAN TO BE MEN'S CLUB GUEST

Dun & Bradstreet Editor To Discuss Credit

The next meeting of the Men's Club will be held on Tuesday evening, April 3rd. The highlight of the evening will be a talk by Mr. A. M. Sullivan, Editor of the Dun & Bradstreet Review. His topic will be "Credit . . . Man's Confidence in Man." This will be followed by a half hour movie bearing the same title, which graphically portrays in story form the message of the subject. The film was recently released and has received acclaim from many audiences.

Mr. Sullivan, who is a noted economist and outstanding lecturer, will show how the economic level in America is maintained, how credit converts wealth into raw materials and tools and raises our standard of living. He will explain how credit between housewife and grocer, grocer and wholesaler, wholesaler and manufacturer or producer, nation and nation, generates light and enables us to buy a can of coffee as well as operate the Marshall Plan.

An additional event of the evening will be the report of the Nominating Committee on the slate for next year, 1951-52.

All men are invited to attend this most important meeting.

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GALA PURIM CELEBRATION

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Parents' Group to Hold Annual Card Party Night

The Annual Card Party and Game Night for the Parents' Association will be held Sunday evening, April 15, at 8 P.M. in the Vestry.

Mrs. Harry Zucker, chairman, announced that bridge, canasta, gin, mah jong and bingo have already been scheduled. "If there is any other game someone would like to play," she added, "notify us and we'll be glad to include it."

The drive for door prizes and awards is being conducted under the leadership of Mrs. Henry Howe, who is striving to get a prize for each guest at the party.

Assisting Mrs. Zucker on other committees are Mrs. Joseph Janovic, chairman of refreshments, and Mrs. Theodore Reichman, chairman of games. Mrs. Isaac Brodsky heads the raffle committee and Mrs. I. E. Gevirtz is in charge of tickets. Mrs. Ciel Selig is chairman of the reception committee.

Tickets may be purchased from the committee or at the door.

Just arrived from Israel—attractive, hand colored Megillahs. Ideal for Purim and Passover gifts, they are available now at the Sisterhood Gift Shop.

Members who have pledged:

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Miss Helen Lee Woltman
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Mr. and Mrs. Gustave Yuder
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SISTERHOOD TO HOLD FRIDAY EVE SERVICE

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There will be a Symposium discussion to be held in the Vestry following the services on the subject: "Role of Sisterhood—Congregational or Community?" Participants in the Symposium will be: Dorothy Geller, Minette Holzman and Frances Peiper.

Waldman Bar Mitzvah To Be Held March 24th

Roger Waldman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Waldman, will celebrate his Bar Mitzvah on Saturday morning, March 24th. His portion will be from Leviticus and his Haftarah from Jeremiah, and he will interpret it in his own words.

Roger, a member of the 7th grade at Columbia Grammar School, is the president of his class. He is also president of the Junior Congregation at the Synagogue. He has attended the Religious School for four years.

Aside from his academic activities, Roger is an active sports enthusiast. He plans to attend the Columbia Grammar High School upon graduation.

Joseph Katz Elected To Board of Trustees

At the last meeting of the Board of Trustees, Mr. Joseph Howard Katz, President of the Men's Club, was elected as a trustee for the balance of the year 1951. He succeeds Mr. D. Leonard Cohen who resigned due to illness.

Mr. Harry Sokolow was elected to the Advisory Council to succeed to the vacancy caused by the elevation of Mr. Katz.

Yizkor Elohim

DAVID KRASNOW
brother of Mrs. Moe Turman

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This type of pledge rises to the spirit of the Drive

U. S. Engineers, c/o A. I. O.
A. P. O. #677, Postmaster, N. Y.

Dear Rev. Putterman: Sorry I've taken so long to answer your letter of Dec. 14, 1950. But I've been on the move so much in connection with my work for the U. S. Army Engineers since the first of the year.

I am at present at an Overseas Air Force Base with a survey party. We expect to be back in the United States the end of April. I hope before Passover, although I guess the J. W. B. still supplies Matzoths to all service installations as they did when I was in the Army.

Please let my P. A. S. mail still go to my home address. I catch up with the mail now and then.

I should like to see the Bulletin telling about the new building which P. A. S. just acquired. Happy Purim. Shalom.
I pledge 6 chai or $108.

Albert J. Dobrin

Members who have already made their pledges:

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Over 150 Will Attend Second Passover Seder

More than 150 reservations of members of the Park Avenue Synagogue have been made for the Passover Community Seder to be held on Saturday evening, April 21st in the Synagogue Vestry.

Rabbi Noveck, Cantor Putterman and the Synagogue Choir will conduct the services.

Dinner will be $6.00 per person. Reservations must be made on or before Monday, April 9th in order to adequately prepare for the Seder. Call the Synagogue office SAcremento 2-8765 or Mrs. Harry Sokolow, 1225 Park Avenue for reservations.

Passover begins on Friday morning at 10 A.M., April 20th. Services will be held Friday evening at 6 P.M., Saturday morning at 10 A.M., and Sunday morning at 10 A.M.

Further details will be announced in the next issue of the BULLETIN.

Congregation to Commemorate Milton Steinberg Yahrzeit

On Friday evening, April 6th, the Synagogue will commemorate the official Yahrzeit of our beloved teacher and friend, Rabbi Milton Steinberg.

Rabbi Noveck will speak on the subject: "The Legacy of Milton Steinberg." He will discuss the sermons, the sociological writings and theology of Milton Steinberg, and attempt to evaluate the permanent contributions which Milton Steinberg made to Jewish thought and literature in America.

He will also pay tribute to the qualities of heart and mind which made him one of the unique personalities in our generation.

Cantor Putterman has announced that the musical portion of this service will consist of selections which were Rabbi Steinberg's favorites.

The entire congregation is urged to attend these services and to recite the Kaddish together for our departed leader and friend.

Committee Enlarged to Plan Memorial Building

Mr. Benjamin Sack, Chairman of the Board of Trustees announces that the Building Committee as reconstructed will consist of the following: Chairman, Mr. Saul Godwin; Messrs. Benjamin Bernstein, Saul Horowitz, Arthur Ochs and Israel B. Oseas; ex-officio, Rabbi Noveck and Cantor Putterman; Sisterhood, Mesdames Helen Wimpfheimer and Dorothy Gellert; School Board, Messrs. Victor J. Herwitz and Stanley Simon; Parents Association, Mrs. Victorine Wimpfheimer and Mr. Edward Kaye; Men's Club, Messrs. Joseph H. Katz and Archie Thurman; Junior League, Mr. Louis Heller; Young Marrieds, Dr. Marvin G. Robinson; Adult Education, Mrs. Helen Godwin and Mr. Harold Starkman.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday Evening, April 6th ..... 8:30 P.M.
Rabbi Noveck will speak on:
"THE LEGACY OF MILTON STEINBERG"

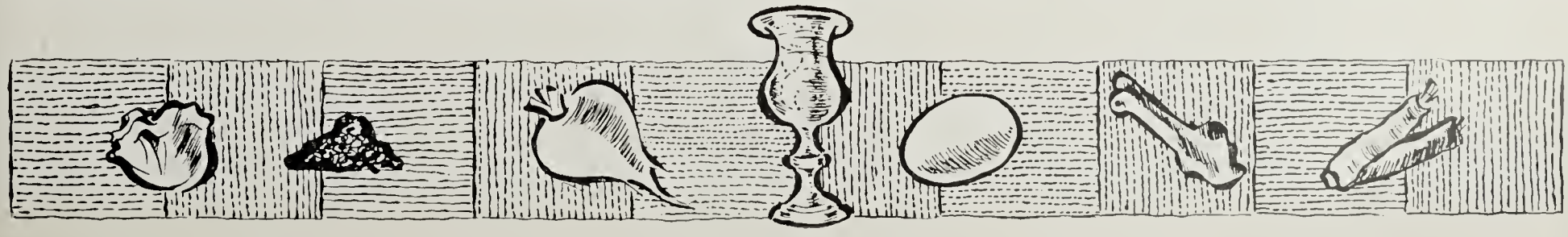
Saturday Morning, April 7th ..... 10:00 A.M.
Rabbi Alexander Burnstein will discuss:
"DOES PRAYER HAVE ANY MEANING?"

Friday Evening, April 13th ..... 8:30 P.M.
Mr. Max Helfman will discuss:
"THE ARTS AND AMERICAN JEWRY"

Saturday Morning, April 14th ..... 10:00 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach:
"BUILDING TOMORROW'S WORLD"
Bar Mitzvah of Stephen Rubin

American Jewish Congress To Dedicate New Building

Sunday afternoon, April 15th, the American Jewish Congress will hold the dedication exercises for its new building on East 84th Street in the Synagogue. Rabbi Noveck and Cantor Putterman have been asked to participate in the exercises which will include addresses by Mayor Impellitteri and Governor Dewey.



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letter to the editor

Dear Mrs. Robinson;

I personally solicited a number of old friends who were at one time associated with the Synagogue. In reply, I received a check for a contribution to the Milton Steinberg Memorial fund from Mrs. Adolf Mayer, the former Edna Wollenberger, who now resides in Omaha, Nebraska.

Mrs. Meyer, a former student of the Sunday school, was confirmed in the Synagogue, and married by Rabbi Steinberg.

She stated in her letter that although her three children would not receive any benefit from the new school, she felt a deep responsibility to the institution where she received her early training, and, if it were necessary, she would be happy to make an additional contribution.

Very truly yours,
Godfried Jacob

Dr. Osserman to Head Synagogue U. J. A. Drive

Leading members of the Park Avenue Synagogue set the congregation's 1951 campaign, on behalf of the United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York, in motion at a meeting, in the home of Dr. Harold A. Osserman, on March 15.

Dr. Osserman is serving as chairman of the drive and Benjamin Sack has been named honorary chairman. A full committee is now in process of formation.

These leaders have pledged themselves to conduct the most intensive drive for UJA our congregation has ever seen.

UJA's immediate objective is to transport to Israel 100,000 refugees from lands of danger and oppression in the 100 day period that will end May 31. If funds are not available to move these people to safety in that time, there is grave danger that emigration deadlines set by many governments of Eastern Europe and Moslem lands will cut off forever their chances of escape.

Approximately half of those who must be rescued during these fateful 100 days are the Jews of Iraq, who have given up their property and their rights and whose last hope lies in getting to Israel before May 31.

The situation in Iraq is just one of the many reasons we members of Park Avenue Synagogue must make our 1951 contributions our most generous. And because the crisis is so desperate, we must give now—before the time runs out!

Mazel Tov

TO Mrs. Felecia Kon on the Bar Mitzvah of her son, Stephen, March 21st.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rubin on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Stephen, April 14th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. David Hoexter on their 51st Wedding Anniversary.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Phillips on the Marriage of their daughter, Carol, to Mr. Stuart H. Green.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Shapiro on the Marriage of their daughter, Jean to Dr. Mortimer Blumenthal.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Jules Haft on their 25th Wedding Anniversary, April 14th.

TO Mrs. Bertha Davidson on her 85th Birthday, April 29th.

TO Mrs. Frieda Davidson on her 81st Birthday, April 29th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Martin B. Herman on their 25th Wedding Anniversary, April 29th.

TO Judge and Mrs. Abram A. Lebson on the Birth of a grandson, and to Mr. and Mrs. Allen Bildner on the Birth of their son, Robert Lebson Bildner.

SCHOOL NEWS

Spring Recess

In cooperation with the congregational schools of the mid-Manhattan area, the Spring recess of the Religious School will take place during Passover week. Schools will close on April 20th and reopen on Sunday morning April 29th.

This agreement upon a uniform vacation period to coincide with Passover marks a further step in the cooperation of congregational schools, and gives added significance to the holiday for our students.

Model Seder

The Model Seder will be conducted by the students of the Religious School under the guidance of Rabbi Noveck, on Sunday Morning, April 15th, in the vestry of the Synagogue.

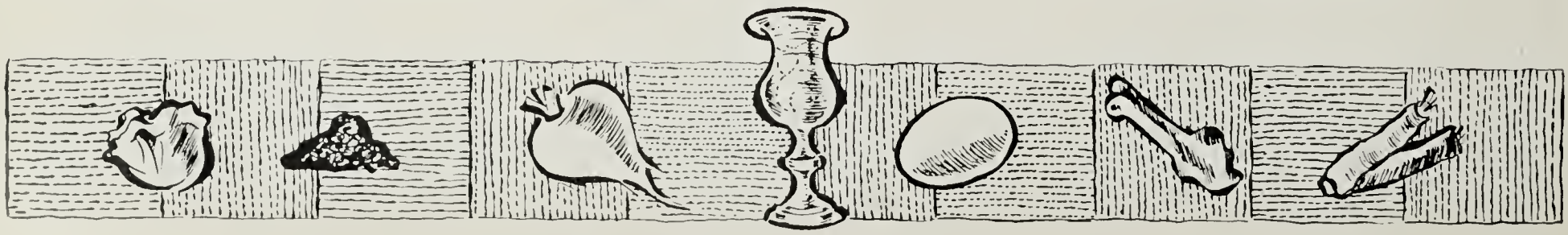
Each class in the school will be responsible for the decoration of its Seder table. Many classes have planned appropriate holiday centerpieces which have both a traditional and modern significance. The reading of the Haggadah will be led by the students from the Hebrew Department.

Mrs. Herman Helpern, chairman of the Class Mothers and Mrs. Stanley Simon, chairman of the Holiday Workshop have arranged for the preparation and the serving of the food at the Seder.

Purim Home Parties

An important part of the Religious School Purim celebration this year were the many class home parties. These parties with games, movies, and traditional foods helped make this a Purim to be remembered.

The students of the Religious School are grateful to the following mothers who made these home parties possible: Mrs. Herman Helpern, Mrs. Stanley Simon, Mrs. George Heyman, Mrs. Frederick Theodore, Mrs. Harry Zucker, Mrs. Selwyn Duke, Mrs. Michael Stowe, Mrs. Leon Klein,, Mrs. Charles Weisberg and Mrs. Emil Forster.



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Parents' Card Party To Be Held April 15

The Annual Card Party and Game Night for the Parents Association will be held Sunday evening, April 15, at 8 P.M. in the Vestry.

Mrs. Harry Zucker, chairman, announced that bridge, canasta, gin, mah jong and bingo have been scheduled.

Tickets may be purchased from the committee, at the door, or by phoning Mrs. Zucker SAcramento 2-7970. They are priced at $1.50.

March is Red Cross month! Remember to send your contributions in to Mrs. Edward Munves, the Synagogue Red Cross chairman.

Six Delegates to Represent Junior League at Convention

The Junior League will be represented at the National Convention of the Young Peoples League of the United Synagogue of America by the following: Rita Goodman, Bernard Weinflash, Louis Heller and alternates Phyllis Gerard, Robert Greenstein and Judy Strasburger.

They will attend the convention which will be held the weekend of April 13, 14 and 15th at the Concord Hotel, Kiamesha Lake, New York.

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Edward Munves to Speak At Sisterhood on Defense

Edward Munves, Director of Information and Training of the Eighth Division of the Civil Defense Corps., will address Sisterhood, on April 17th, at their monthly Dessert Luncheon and Meeting at 1 P.M.

His topic will be Civil Defense in the Atomic Era". A timely movie on the atomic bomb will accompany his talk. Mr. Munves speaks authoratively on this subject, and it is vital to every woman's best interests that she learn the proper procedure during this emergency.

Sisterhood Thrift Shop

Help Sisterhood's Thrift Shop by adding to its stockpile of saleable goods. A depot has been established at the Synagogue for all new or used clothing, bric a brac or canned goods.

Young Marrieds to Hear Rabbi Noveck, April 10th

The next meeting of the Young Marrieds will be held, Tuesday evening, April 10th at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jacobson, at 8:30 P.M. Rabbi Noveck will address the group on the topic, "Passover and Conservative Judaism."

At the last meeting of the group, which was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Osserman, Rabbi David Panitz discussed "Religious Customs and Ceremonies through the Cycle of Life."

Memorial Pledges

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Mr. and Mrs. Max Zahler
Mr. and Mrs. Harry Zucker

Men's Club Announces Officers Slate for '52

The Nominating Committee of the Men's Club has nominated the following slate of officers and directors for the year 1951-52.

President.....Joseph Howard Katz
1st Vice-Pres....Judge Maxwell Shapiro
2nd Vice-Pres.....Milton Sivek
Treasurer.....Lawrence A. Meyers
Corres. Sec.....Martin Miller
Recording Sec.....Henry Koch

Directors:

Samuel Pearce, Samuel Kraft, Archie I. Thurman, Harold H. Levin, 3 *year term;* Dr. Joseph G. Druss, 2 *year term;* Dr. Arthur Morse, Dr. Harry Neivert, 1 *year term.*

The chairman of the Nominating Committee is Mr. Jacob W. Boorstein.

Dr. Kaplan Honored At Birthday Dinner

On Tuesday evening, April 17th, the 70th birthday of Dr. Mordecai M. Kaplan will be celebrated at a dinner to be given at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel. This dinner is being sponsored by many of the outstanding leaders of American Jewry and many of Dr. Kaplan's friends throughout the city.

Dr. Joseph H. Katz, president of the Men's Club is one of the sponsoring committee. Thus far, two tables have been reserved by members of the Park Avenue Synagogue. Dinner is $10 per person.

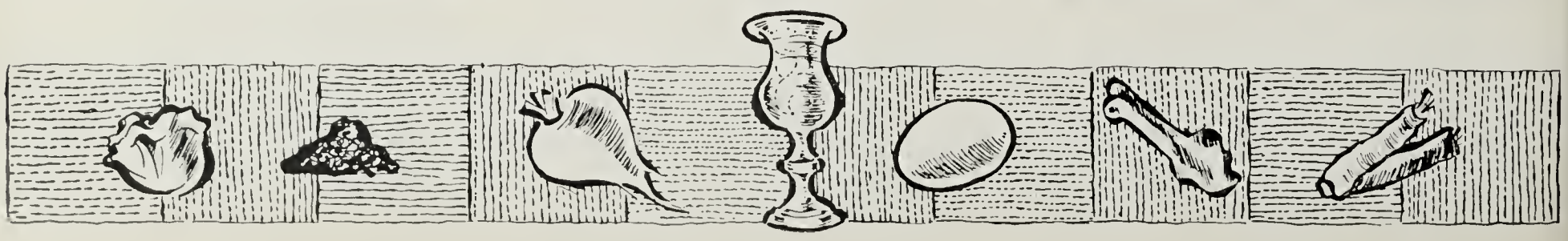
Dr. Kaplan is professor of Philosophy of Religions at the Jewish Theological Seminary, Rabbi Emeritus of the Society for the Advancement of Judaism and founder of the Reconstructionist Foundation.

Yizkor Elohim

ELISHA M. FRIEDMAN
brother of Dr. E. D. Friedman

MOLLIE SAMORITZ
mother of Mrs. D. Leonard Cohen

ESTHER FEDERMAN
mother of Mrs. Solomon Green



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200 to Attend First Congregational Seder

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

FIRST DAYS

First Evening, Friday, April 20th ..... 6 P.M.

First Morning, Saturday, April 21st ..... 9:30 A.M.

Rabbi Simon Noveck will preach
"THE TYRANNIES OF OUR TIME"

Second Evening, Saturday, April 21st ..... 6 P.M.

Second Morning, Sunday, April 22nd ..... 9:30 A.M.

Rabbi Simon Noveck will preach
"HOW TO LIVE IN DAYS OF PERIL"

SECOND DAYS

Seventh Evening, Thursday, April 26th ..... 6 P.M.

Seventh Morning, Friday, April 27th ..... 9:30 A.M.

Rabbi Simon Noveck will preach
"LEADERSHIP AND JEWISH SURVIVAL"

Eighth Evening, Friday, April 27th ..... 6 P.M.

Eighth Morning, Saturday, April 28th ..... 9.30 A.M.

Rabbi Simon Noveck will preach
"LIFE'S SORROWS AND RELIGION'S ANSWER"

Memorial Services will be held at approximately 11 A.M.

Musical portion of Services under the direction of Cantor Putterman, assisted by the choir. Mr. Isadore Geller at the organ.

If You Wish Any of Your Family Memorialized, Please Return the Enclosed Card to the Synagogue Office.

There will be no late Friday Evening Services on Friday, April 20th and Friday, April 27th

Rabbi and Cantor To Conduct Services

Two hundred members will attend the first Passover Seder the Park Avenue Synagogue has sponsored. The Seder will follow the traditional and Reconstructionist Prayer Book. Rabbi Noveck will lead and explain the service, and Cantor Putterman and the Synagogue Choir will sing the musical portions.

The Seder is scheduled for 7 P.M. on Saturday evening, April 21st, and those attending are urged to be prompt so that the services may start as scheduled.

A full course dinner with all the traditional Passover foods has been planned. It is hoped by Mrs. Dorothy Sokolow, the Chairman, and many members of the congregation that this Seder will be a real family affair, and the first in a series of annual Passover Seders in our Synagogue.

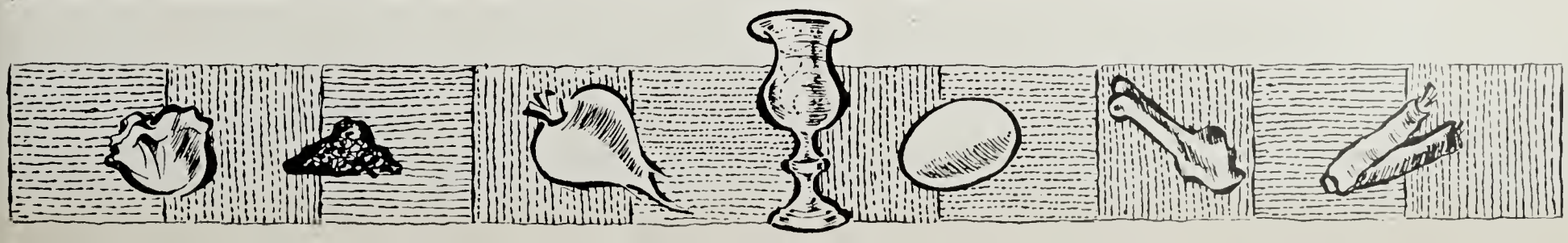
Milton Weill Elected Federation President

as reprinted from the New York Times

The board of trustees of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies of New York has elected Milton Weill as president of the federation.

He succeeds Ralph E. Samuel, senior partner of Ralph E. Samuel & Co., investment concern, who has completed three terms as president and has been made a lifetime honorary trustee. Mr. Weill is a veteran leader of philanthropic and civic activities and is president of the Arrow Manufacturing Company, Inc.

Other federation officers elected are Supreme Court Justice Emil N. Baar, Simon H. Fabian, Samuel S. Schneierson and Jack D. Tarcher, vice presidents; James Felt, associate treasurer, and Harry Zeitz, secretary.



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UNITED JEWISH APPEAL SENDS PASSOVER PLEA

The United Jewish Appeal campaign takes place this year in an atmosphere which recalls the deliverance of the Jewish people from bondage in ancient Egypt.

All of us, as Jews, rejoice in celebration of the Passover season—for 1951 finds Israel reborn—once more a homeland for the Jewish people, offering hope and the promise of freedom to homeless and downtrodden Jews wherever they may be. But our rejoicing is tempered by the knowledge that we must rescue hundreds of thousands of Jews to whom freedom from oppression is still a hope —hundreds of thousands who wait eagerly, impatiently and in daily fear for the opportunity to reach freedom in Israel and other democratic countries.

The United Jewish Appeal offers the best hope for early rescue of these hundreds of thousands—for UJA means transportation, resettlement help, retraining help. UJA means that the people of Israel will be strengthened in their gigantic effort to absorb their homeless and oppressed brothers. UJA means that thousands of Jews coming to seek freedom in our own country can be helped to integrate themselves into the American way of life.

Giving to UJA—giving far more than ever before is the most fitting way to celebrate the ancient deliverance of those of our people who stand today in need of a new deliverance.

PLEASE RESERVE

Friday Evening, May 25th, for the ninth annual Service of "New Liturgical Music by Contemporary Composers." This year we shall be privileged to perform, for the first time, a new Service by the renowned young American composer, David Diamond.

Mazel Tov

TO Mr. and Mrs. George Armour and Mr. and Mrs. Milton Berson on the Marriage of Robert Armour to Joan Margot Berson, April 15th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Weiss on the Birth of their daughter.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Arkin on the Birth of their grandchild.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Abrams on the Marriage of their daughter, Geraldine Carol to Mr. Michael Kory.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Gurfein on the Birth of their daughter, Patricia Hope.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Gross on the Marriage of their daughter, Lois, to Dr. Douglas Smiley.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Finn on the Birth of their grandchild.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Milton Heller on the engagement of Louis I. Heller to Julia M. Strasburger.

TO Mrs. Bea Klenert and Mrs. Kieval on the engagement of Judith Klenert to Howard Kieval.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Oppenheimer on the Birth of their second child, Gary Bruce.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Mishkin on the Birth of their fourth child, Frederic S.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Lester Metzger on the Birth of their third child, Alice Eileen, and to Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Metzger on the Birth of their grandchild.

SCHOOL NEWS

Religious School Re-Opens

PRIMARY DEPARTMENT—
Sunday, April 24th

HEBREW DEPARTMENT—
Monday, April 30th

Honor Roll

Purim marks the completion of two-thirds of the school year and the faculty of the Hebrew Department announces that the following students have been placed on the Honor Roll for attendance, effort, attitude and general excellence in Hebrew Studies:

HEBREW 1A— Gail Rosenkrantz, Alan Mehlman, Steven Kohn, David Nalen, Jeffrey Loria.

HEBREW 1B— Anthony Berns, Anthony Paley, Michael Schacht, Ellen Wimpfheimer, Susan Jacobs, Cynthia Fread, Ruth Wyler.

HEBREW II— Michael Rosenblum, Cecily Falkenstein, John Kogan.

HEBREW IIIA— Paul Bienstock, Edward Curtiss, Anthony Greenwald.

HEBREW IIIB— Theodore A. Zucker.

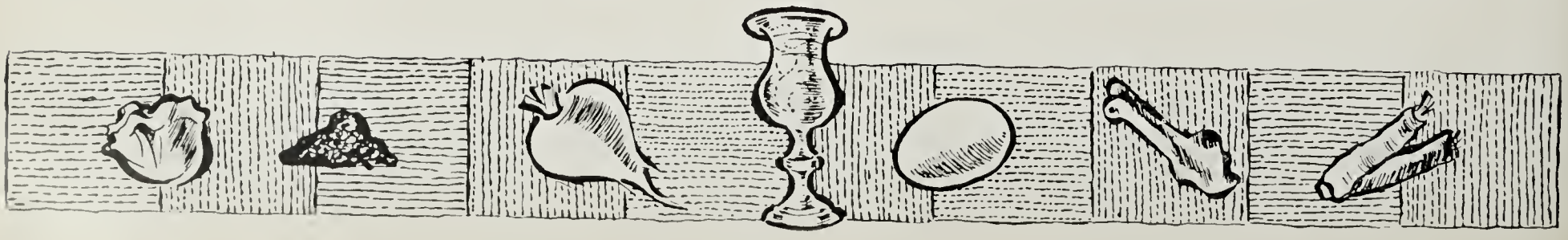
HEBREW IV— Lee Reichman, Sheldon Polsky.

Junior Delegates Tour

Doris Wimpfheimer, Suanne Sheskin and Lee Reichman recently represented the Religious School on an all-day tour of Zionist and Israeli organizations. The bus trip was sponsored by the Jewish Education Committee for twenty five students from mid-Manhattan Synagogues.

Our delegates reported to the Junior Congregation on their visits to the American Zionist Youth Commission, the Jewish National Fund, the Hebrew Library and Archives and the Israeli National Airlines.

A highlight of the trip was a visit at the Israeli Consulate where a representative of the Israeli delegation to the U.N. outlined the major points in the Israeli peace proposals for the Far East.



Members who have already made their pledges:

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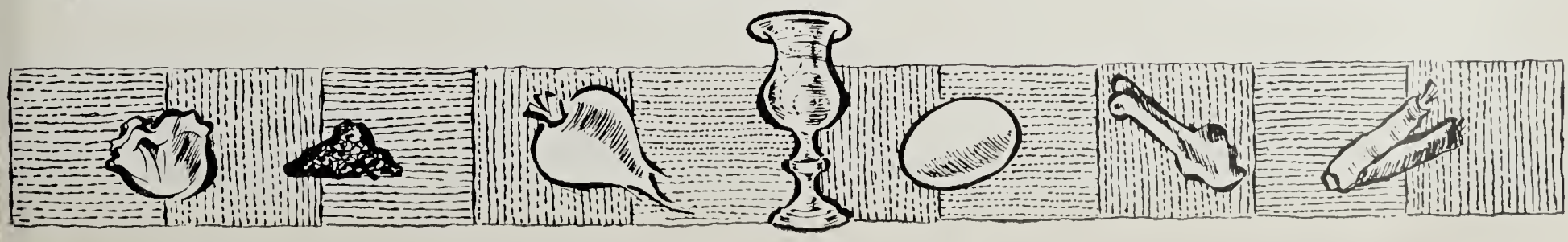

Mr. and Mrs. Hears Mr. Ben Yohannan

The last meeting of the Mr. and Mrs. group was held on Tuesday evening, April 17th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Mishkin. Mr. Yosof Ben Yohannan was the guest lecturer.

The Mr. and Mrs. group is an outgrowth of the Young Marrieds "B" club which was originally formed in 1946. Its membership is composed of couples who have young children or children of Sunday School age, and other, more recently married, members in their thirties.

Those wishing to join the group may do so by contacting either Mrs. Harold Warshaw, at 175 West 93rd Street, or writing the Synagogue office.

The last meeting of the year will take place in May, and the group is planning to visit "Habiba", the Israeli night club for, this get together.

Sisterhood Thrift Shop

Last call for Sisterhood Thrift Shop!

Phone SA 2-5427 for pick up service, or bring less bulky packages, marked "Thrift Shop," to the Vestry room and leave them there.

We need goods, we need it now.

We need it badly, folks, and how!

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Men's Club to Elect Officers for '51

Zev Putterman to Discuss: "Israel, Jewry's Future"

The last meeting of the current season of the Men's Club will take place on Tuesday evening, May 8, at 8:15 P.M. in the Vestry.

Following the new custom established of opening the meeting with an Invocation, the members will be given the opportunity to vote for the election of officers for the 1951-52 season. This will be followed by a short induction ceremony. The following have been nominated for officers and directors:

Officers:

President, Joseph Howard Katz; 1st Vice-President, Judge Maxwell Shapiro; 2nd Vice-President, Milton Sivek; Treasurer, Lawrence A. Meyers; Corres. Secretary, Martin Miller; Recording Secretary, Henry Koch.

Directors:

3 Year Term— Samuel Pearce, Samuel Kraft, Archie I. Thurman, Harold H. Levin.

2 Year Term— Dr. Joseph G. Druss.

1 Year Term— Dr. Arthur Morse, Dr. Harry Neivert.

As a highlight of the evening, we will present Mr. Zev Putterman, the son of our Cantor. A dynamic young American with an unusual understanding of Israel and Jewish affairs, Mr. Putterman toured Europe, worked with the Israel Delegation to the United Nations, toured the immigration camps and agricultural settlements in Israel, and was himself a member of a Kibutz. The title of his address will be, "Israel, Jewry's Future."

Refreshments will follow. All men are invited to attend.

Rabbi Noveck Will Be Junior League Speaker

The Junior League will hold its final open meeting for members and guests at the Synagogue on Thursday, May 3rd, at 8:30 P.M.

Rabbi Noveck will address the group on the subject "Psychiatry and Religion —Are They Compatible?"

At the last meeting of the group Rabbi Harold Weissberg discussed "The Why of Milton Steinberg", a stimulating exposition of the major themes in our late Rabbi's philosophy.

POSTPONED

Due to the inclemency of the weather, Sisterhood Sabbath observance was postponed until the tentative date of May 4. This will give those who were unable to attend the previous services an opportunity to make plans for this one. Further notice of details will be forthcoming.

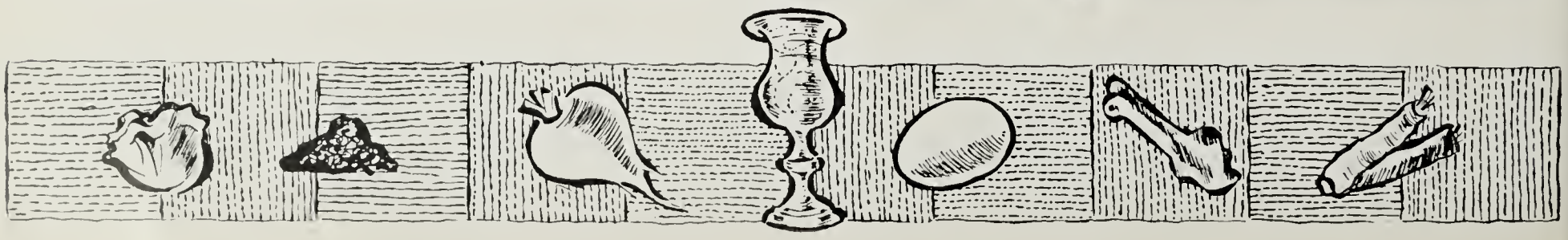
Sisterhood Plans Luncheon For Final Open Meeting

In order to wind up the year auspiciously, Sisterhood has planned a gala fete for the last open meeting on May 15th. This event, the highlight of the season, will include a Springtime Luncheon, Birthday Party, Annual Report and Installation. The arrangements are lavish and all members are urged not to miss this special, all-out get together.

Yizkor Elohim

AMALIA BIRNBAUM

sister of Mrs. Frieda Davidson



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MAY 4, 1951 28 NISAN, 5711

Friday Eve, May 25th, New Musical Service By David Diamond

This will be the Ninth Annual Service of "New Liturgical Music by Contemporary Composers."

The following telegram has been received by Cantor David Putterman from the composer, David Diamond. "Completed service today. Believe it one of the best of my work—am grateful to you and the Park Avenue Synagogue for making this experience possible . . . A very fulfilling and happy experience."

As soon as members receive official notification of this unusual musical event from Mr. Benjamin Sack, chairman of the Board of Trustees, they are urged to return, at once, the enclosed postcard. This return card indicates the number of Complimentary tickets which they wish to receive to insure their reservations.

Judith Epstein Will Occupy Pulpit at Friday Eve Service, May 11th

Mrs. Moses P. (Judith) Epstein will occupy the pulpit of the Park Avenue Synagogue on Friday evening, May 11th. She has just returned from a stay in Israel during which she attended the sessions of the Actions Committee, the General Council of the World Zionist Organization. She has come to be regarded as one of the most eloquent and authoritative spokesman on Israel and the Middle East.

Mrs. Epstein belongs to a family which settled in America a century ago, and clung tenaciously to its traditions of Judaism as a valid part of its contribution to the American culture. She was born in Worcester, Mass. and attended Hunter College. While a student at Hunter, she became interested in Zionism.

JUDITH EPSTEIN

After her graduations, she taught English at Julia Richman High School. At 21 she married and immediately became a member and worker in the young Hadassah organization. She organized the first Far Rockaway Chapter of Hadassah.

Mrs. Epstein rapidly became a national figure in Hadassah. She has served as Hadassah delegate to World Zionist conclaves in Switzerland. She was twice elected Hadassah's National President—from 1937 to 1939, and again from 1943 to 1947.

A woman who can think on her feet, Mrs. Epstein is a speaker whose long experience with American audiences and keen observations on her many trips to Israel, give her top priority with audiences throughout the country.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday Evening, May 4th . . . . . 8:30 P.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach:

Saturday Morning, May 5th . . . . . 10:00 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Sheldon M. Polsky
Rabbi Noveck will preach:

Friday Evening, May 11th . . . . . 8:30 P.M.
Guest Speaker: Mrs. Judith Epstein
In Honor of ISRAEL INDEPENDENCE DAY
(3rd Anniversary of State of Israel)

Saturday Morning, May 12th . . . . . 10:00 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Jonathan A. Altman
Rabbi Noveck will preach:

Young Marrieds Will Hold Elections at May Meeting

The final meeting of the Young Marrieds will be held at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Marvin G. Robinson, Tuesday evening, May 8th.

Nominations and elections will be held at this time, and a tentative program for next year will be planned. The remainder of the evening will be a social affair. All members are urged to attend this last get together of the season.

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Men's Club to Elect At May 8th Meeting

Zev Putterman to Discuss: "Israel, Jewry's Future"

The last meeting of the current season of the Men's Club will take place on Tuesday evening, May 8, at 8:15 P.M. in the Vestry.

Following the new custom established of opening the meeting with an Invocation, the members will be given the opportunity to vote for the election of officers for the 1951-52 season. This will be followed by a short induction ceremony. The following have been nominated for officers and directors:

Officers:

President, Joseph Howard Katz; 1st Vice-President, Judge Maxwell Shapiro; 2nd Vice-President, Milton Sivek; Treasurer, Lawrence A. Meyers; Corres. Secretary, Martin Miller; Recording Secretary, Henry Koch.

Directors:

3 Year Term—Samuel Pearce, Samuel Kraft, Archie I. Thurman, Harold H. Levin.

2 Year Term—Dr. Joseph G. Druss.

1 Year Term—Dr. Arthur Morse, Dr. Harry Neivert.

As a highlight of the evening, we will present Mr. Zev Putterman, the son of our Cantor. A dynamic young American with an unusual understanding of Israel and Jewish affairs, Mr. Putterman toured Europe, worked with the Israel Delegation to the United Nations, toured the immigration camps and agricultural settlements in Israel, and was himself a member of a Kibutz. The title of his address will be, "Israel, Jewry's Future."

Refreshments will follow. All men are invited to attend.

Polsky Bar Mitzvah To Be Held May 5th

Sheldon M. Polsky, son of Mr. and Mrs. Irving Polsky will celebrate his Bar Mitzvah on Saturday, May 5th. His portion of the Haftarah will be Ereb Rosh Chodesh, and he will read and interpret it in his own words.

Sheldon, a student in the 8th grade at P. S. 6 will graduate in June. He plans to attend Stuyvesant High School this fall, and hopes, in the future, to become an engineer.

He has attended the Religious School of the Park Avenue Synagogue for eight years, and has been studying Hebrew since he was seven. An active sports enthusiast, Sheldon excells in baseball.

Mazel Tov

TO Dr. and Mrs. Lester Breidenbach on the Engagement of their daughter, Rhona Lee, to Floyd Robert Landorf.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Norman Blumstein on their 5th Wedding Anniversary, May 19th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Hartstein on their 10th Wedding Anniversary, May 23rd.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Irving Shapiro on their 30th Wedding Anniversary, May 26th.

TO Dr. and Mrs. Julius Davis on the Engagement of their daughter, Yvette Davis.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Irving Polsky on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Sheldon, on May 5th.

TO the parents of Jonathan A. Altman, on his Bar Mitzvah, May 12th.

SCHOOL NEWS

May is Registration Month

The Jewish Education Committee has designated this month as REGISTRATION MONTH. During the month, Religious schools in the Metropolitan area will register all new children who will be coming to the school in September, 1951.

The Park Avenue Synagogue Religious School educational program provides for:

PRIMARY DEPARTMENT for children from the ages of 6 through 9. The school, which meets on Sunday morning, aims to familiarize the child with Judaism; its history and its cultural expressions. It develops within him a sense of loyalty and pride in Judaism.

HEBREW DEPARMENT for children from the ages of 10 through 15. The school, which meets on two afternoons and on Saturday mornings, aims to prepare the child for an active and constructive participation in Jewish life. Instruction in Hebrew, Bible, history, customs and ceremonies and religious worship in our Junior Congregation develop in the child an understanding of the religious concepts, the ethical values and the ritual forms of Judaism.

BAR MITZVAH and BAT MITZVAH for our boys and girls at the age of 13. In accordance with the recommendations of the United Synagogue Commission on Education, a minimum of three years instruction in our Hebrew Department is required for Bar Mitzvah and Bat Mitzvah in the Park Avenue Synagogue.

CONFIRMATION for our boys and girls of 15. This solemn and inspiring ritual which takes place at Shavuot is the culmination of our formal educational program.

The Religious School office will be open every afternoon after 3:00 P.M. for the registration of new students. Parents are urged to begin the Jewish education of their children on the Primary School level so that the child may benefit from a full and rich, religious experience.

Do not delay! Enroll today!

Members who have already made their pledges:

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Sisterhood to Give Birthday Luncheon, Elect New Officers

Sisterhood plans to close the season with a gala celebration on May 15th at 12 o'clock. The occasion will be highlighted by a Birthday Party Luncheon to which all members are invited.

Elections will take place at this time. The following is the slate of officers nominated for 1951-52:

President, Mrs. Samuel Wimpfheimer; 1st Vice President, Mrs. Sigmond A. Siegel; 2nd Vice President, Mrs. Dorothy Gellert; 3rd Vice President, Mrs. Henry Howe; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Irwin Rome; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Carolyn B. Manheimer, Financial Secretary, Mrs. Mortimer D. Millheiser; Treasurer, Mrs. William Karmiol; Chaplain, Mrs. Harold Levin.

Following elections, the Annual Report will be read, and installation of officers will take place.

Elaborate preparations have been made and an outstanding program will be presented. Mrs. Charles Bennet and Mrs. Saul Granetts are co-chairmen in charge of arrangements.

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LAST CALL FOR THRIFT SHOP

Your help is needed now! If your bundle is small, mark it "Thrift Shop" and leave it in the Vestry room at any time. If it is bulky, call SA 2-5427 and arrange to have it picked up. Please don't delay, we need stock now!

Rabbi Noveck to Speak To Hadassah, May 15th

Rabbi Noveck will be guest speaker of the Weizman Chapter of Hadassah on Tuesday evening, May 15th at the Henry Hudson Hotel. His topic will be "American Jewry and the State of Israel."

The Rabbi recently spoke to the Cosmopolitan Branch of the Council of Jewish Women. His topic was "The Future of the American Jew".

He was guest speaker and conducted the Installation of officers of the Council Chapter of the Women's Division of Hias at Temple Rodeph Sholom on May 2nd.

J. Altman Will Celebrate Bar Mitzvah On May 12th

Jonathan A. Altman will celebrate his Bar Mitzvah on Saturday, May 12th. His portion will be from Leviticus and his Haftarah from Kedoshim by Amos, and he will interpret it in his own words.

Jonathan attends the City and Country School, from which he graduates in June. This fall he will attend Riverdale High School and hopes to go to Dartmouth College. His ambition is to become an Archeologist, and his hobby is collecting old miniature tin soldiers. He displays them in a glass case which he made himself.

He has attended the Religious School of the Synagogue this year and has been studying Hebrew privately. An ardent sportsman, Jonathan is both a football and basketball player.

Parents' Association To Vote For Officers, Amendments, May 16th

College Students to Address Group On "Youth Speaks Its Mind"

The final meeting of the Parents' Association will be held Wednesday evening, May 16th at 8:30 P.M. in the Vestry of the Synagogue.

Elections will take place at this time. The following is the slate of officers nominated for 1951-52:

President, Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer; Chairman of Executive Board, Mrs. Herman Helpern; 1st Vice President, Mr. Bernard Weintraub; 2nd Vice President, Mrs. Milton Helpern; 3rd Vice President, Mrs. George Heyman; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Nelson Ruttenberg; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Meyer Kaplan; Treasurer, Mrs. Harry Zucker; Delegates to the U.P..A., Mr. Edward Kaye and Mrs. Jack Hoexter.

At this time the members will also vote on three proposed amendments to the Constitution. Rabbi Noveck will install the new officers.

Following this, the Parents' Association will sponsor a discussion on "Youth Speaks its Mind". The participants will be three members of the College Seminar group, Bernard Joffe, Judith Godwin and Sylvia Schneider. Mr. Martin Leichtling, Principal of the Religious School, will act as Moderator. The parents will also participate in this discussion.

Refreshments will be served. All members are urged to attend this final meeting.

Yizkor Elohim

FANNY GOLD
mother of Judge Samuel Gold

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Ninth Annual Musical Service, May 25th

Rabbi Will Discuss "Recent Trend in Conservative Judaism"

On Friday evening,, May 18th, Rabbi Noveck will discuss Recent Developments at the Jewish Theological Seminary, the home of Conservative Judaism.

Taking as his point of departure the lectures which Rabbi Steinberg delivered in 1945 on the "Crisis in Conservative Judaism", Rabbi Noveck will indicate the influence these lectures had upon the Seminary and its leadership and the accomplishments which the movement has made in the past five years.

He will discuss the work of the Committee on Law and Standards during the past year, and indicate some of the plans for the future being formulated by the United Synagogue, of which our congregation is a part.

This is the last issue of the current series of BULLETIN. Future notices of late Friday evening services and important events through Shavuoth will be sent via cards. See you again next fall !

DAVID DIAMOND

Sylvia Schneider to Receive Youth Leadership Award

The Youth Leadership prize sponsored by the Men's Club, will be awarded to Miss Sylvia Schneider of 420 East 86th Street. Miss Schneider was chosen on the basis of proficiency in Hebrew studies and leadership in our school activities.

The award consisting of a sterling silver medal and certificate will be presented to Miss Schneider during the Shavuoth services on June 10.

World Premiere of Sabbath Service by David Diamond To be Presented

The Ninth Annual Service of New Liturgical Music by Contemporary Composers, on Friday evening, May 25th at 8:30 o'clock, will this year consist of the World Premiere performance of a "Sacred Service for the Sabbath Eve" by the renowned American composer, David Diamond.

These annual services have grown steadily in stature and are accepted as a major musical event not only in our Synagogue but in the realm of general music as well. The service will be performed by Cantor David Putterman, assisted by an augmented synagogue choir under the able direction of Max Helfman with Mr. Isador Geller at the organ.

This service is presented each year under the auspices of the Committee on Adult Education of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

David Diamond was born in Rochester, New York, in 1915. He studied there with Bernard Rogers at the Eastman School of Music, with Andre de Ribaupierre at the Cleveland Institute, with Roger Sessions and Paul Boepple in New Yok City, and with Nadia Boulanger in France.

Mr. Diamond's exceptional abilities have already won him many awards, among them the Guggenheim Fellowships in 1938 and 1941, a Prix de Rome Cash Award for his Concerto for Chamber Orchestra and First Symphony, the Paderewski Prize for his Piano Quartet, the Juillard Publication Award for his *Psalm* for Orchestra, a Citation from the Music Critics Circle of New York in 1946 for his *Rounds* for String Orchestra, and also a Grant from the National

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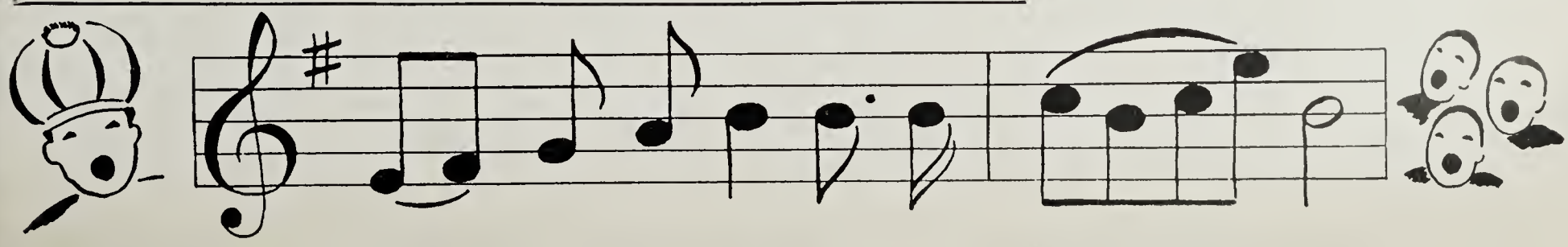
Friday Evening, May 18th ..... 8:30 P.M.
Rabbi Noveck will discuss:
"RECENT TRENDS IN CONSERVATIVE JUDAISM"

Saturday Morning, May 19th ..... 10:00 A.M.
Annual Junior Congregation Model Service

Friday Evening, May 25th ..... 8:30 P.M.
NINTH ANNUAL SERVICE OF NEW LITURGICAL SERVICE

Saturday Morning, May 26th ..... 10:00 A.M.
Bas Mitzvah of Nan Krulewitch



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Our New Building Looms in Sight

An historic meeting of the Building Committee of the Board of Trustees took place at the Synagogue on Monday evening, April 30th, with sixteen members present, Mr. Saul Godwin, Chairman, presiding.

Architectural consultants from the Jewish Education Committee who were invited, agreed to give their help and advice on matters of a technical nature. Assistance was also offered by the deputy Commissioner of the Building Department of the City of New York, who was present to answer questions with regard to specific building construction rulings.

The inspiring overall picture of the conclusions reached left those present confident that the plans as discussed for the construction of a modern SCHOOL Building, could be accomplished speedily. On the basis of plans now being prepared, it is expected that we shall go into construction shortly.

All of the organizations of the Synagogue were considered, and the final plans will provide for the needs of its various units including the Parents Association, Men's Club, Junior League, Young Marrieds group, Sisterhood, the School Board, etc. Construction of a Chapel for private weddings will be considered in the plan, as will lounging rooms for teen-agers and dults, and storage space, with all of the necessary equipment of a modern-up-to-date fire proof building containing the latest innovations. The cost will run to approximately $400,000, and the conclusions arrived at during this meeting should add new impetus to the Drive, to reach our goal of half a million dollars.

Among the conclusions reached were:

(1) To draw plans at once for the construction of a six story building with a large automatic elevator, said structure to be connected with the Synagogue;

(2) Reconstruct the present vestry room so as to make one large auditorium, extending under the contemplated new structure, with modern appointments;

(3) Furnish the entire new building with the most modern equipment, appointments and supplies.

A subcommittee under Mr. Robert Greenstein, Chairman, to take charge of plans and specifications was appointed.

Another subcommittee will be appointed to draft plans to be submitted to the Trustees for the corner-stone-laying ceremonies which will take place in the Fall prior to the High Holydays.

Mazel Tov

TO Mr. and Mrs. Leon Blauner on the Engagement of their daughter, Helene Carol to Mr. M. David Korn.

TO Cantor David Putterman on his Birthday, May 29th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Henry Howe on their 19th Wedding Anniversary.

TO Colonel and Mrs. Melvin Krulewitch on the Bas Mitzvah of their daughter, Nan, May 26th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Garber on the Birth of their son, Bruce Kevin, May 5th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Harold Warshaw on their Wedding Anniversary, May 20th.

Confirmation Services Scheduled for June 10th

Confirmation this year will take place on the first morning of Shavuoth, Sunday, June 10th. The following students have fulfilled all of the requirements for Confirmation: Michele Kaye, Maya Konig, Jonathan Greenwald and David Steinberg.

The theme for Confirmation will be the Development of the Jewish Religion. Maya Konig will speak on the Ethics of the Bible, Michele Kaye of the Talmudic Period, David Steinberg on Hasidism and Jonathan Greenwald about Franz Rosensweig and Modern Jewish Philosophy.

The class received part of its instruction at the Combined High School under the supervision of Rabbi Simon Noveck and Mr. Sanford Hahn.

SCHOOL NEWS

Registration

Registration for the September term of the Primary and Hebrew Departments of the Religious School may be made any afternoon during May and June in the school office. Parents are urged to register their children immediately so that the organization of the school and the hiring of any additional teachers may be completed in June.

Baseball Game

The students of the Hebrew Department will meet the students of the S.A.J. in Central Park on May 24th and celebrate Lag B'Omer by engaging "in mortal combat" on the softball diamond.

School Picnic

Closing exercises for the Primary Department will take place on Sunday, May 27th at the school Picnic and Field Day. Students will receive awards for achievement and attendance. Hebrew Department classes will continue sessions through the second week in June.

Achievement Tests

Uniform achievement tests in Hebrew, Jewish Life and Jewish History will be administered to classes I and II of the Hebrew Department in June. It is the hope of the faculty that our school will achieve, as they did last year, marks well above the city average on all three examinations.

Hebrew Department Party

Classes III and IV of the Hebrew Department held a most successful party on Saturday evening, May 12th in the Vestry. The party which featured square and social dancing was rated a huge success by all the students.

Young People Groups

A newly-organizad social group for 14 year olds has been functions successfully these last two months under the leadership of Mr. Sanford Hahn. Young people, who are interested in joining the group, are urged to write to Mr. Hahn at the School office. A similar group is being organized for 15-16 year olds. Interested parties are invited to write to Mr. Hahn.

Register your child today!

Members who have already made their pledges:

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200 Cantors Hold Annual Convention

The Cantors Assembly and the Department of Music of the United Synagogue of America held its Fourth Annual Conference-Convention from May 13th to 16th at the Hotel Concord, Kiamesha Lake, N. Y.

Over 200 Cantors from synagogues throughout the country attended the convention. Cantor Putterman, who is the Director of the Department of Music of the United Synagogue and Executive Secretary of the Cantors Assembly arranged and supervised the program for the three day affair.

The first day was highlighted by the "Fourth Annual Meeting of the Cantors Assembly," The second day was devoted to Cantorial Studies and the closing day to "The Cantor—His Influence and Needs." At this closing session the new School for Cantors, which is to be opened in the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, was discussed.

The last meeting of the Mr. and Mrs. group will be held Tuesday, May 22nd, at the Israeli cafe, "Habiba". Rabbi Noveck will be present at this get together.

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SCHEDULE OF SHAVUOTH SERVICES

First Evening . . . . . Saturday, June 9th, 6:00 P.M.
First Morning . . . . . Sunday, June 10th, 9:30 A.M.

CONFIRMATION SERVICE

Second Evening . . . . . Sunday, June 10th, 6:00 P.M.
Second Morning . . . . . Monday, June 11th, 9:30 A.M.

YISKOR (MEMORIAL) SERVICE

Rabbi Simon Noveck will preach.

Music Services

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Institute of Arts and Letters "in recognition of his outstanding gift among the youngest generation of American composers; and for the high quality of his achievement as demonstrated in orchestral works, chamber music and songs."

The works of David Diamond have been extensively performed in America and abroad by Koussevitzky, Mitropoulos, Golschmann, Monteux, Scherchen, Rodzinski, Bernstein, Szell and others. Of his *Rounds,* Olin Downs has written . . ."music, admirably fashioned . . . joyous and vernal . . . The writing is refreshingly direct and brilliant. Of his Second Symphony, Virgil Thompson wrote in the N. Y. Herald Tribune . . . "The concentration of its thought on its material gives it, consequently, a dignity that marks it as the work of a consecrated man."

Mr. Diamond's works to date include four Symphonies, three String Quartets, a Sonata for Violin and Piano, a Sonata for Cello and Piano, two Concertos for Violin and Orchestra, a Cello Concerto, a Concert Piece for Orchestra, an *Elegy in Memory of Ravel* for Strings and Percussion, shorter orchestral and chamber music works, and many songs. His theater works include a ballet, *TOM* to a scenario by E. E. Cummings, a ballet, *The Dream of Audubon* to a scenario by Glenway Wescott, incidental music for Shakespeare's "The Tempest" and Middleton's "The Changeling." The *"Sacred Service for the Sabbath Eve,"* is his first complete work for the Synagogue.

Junior Congregation To Conduct May Services

The Annual May Service of the Junior Congregation will take place on Saturday morning, May 19th at 10 A.M. in the Synagogue. The entire service will be conducted by the boys and girls of the Hebrew Department of the Religious School.

Those conducting the service are: Edward Curtiss, Eleanor Foa, Martin Gold, Anthony Berns, Alan Mehlman, Cecily Falkenstein, Marilyn Schneider, Roger Waldman, Lee Reichman, Gail Rosenkranz, Teddy Zucker, Ellen Wimpfheimer, Stephen Heyman and Sheldon Polsky.

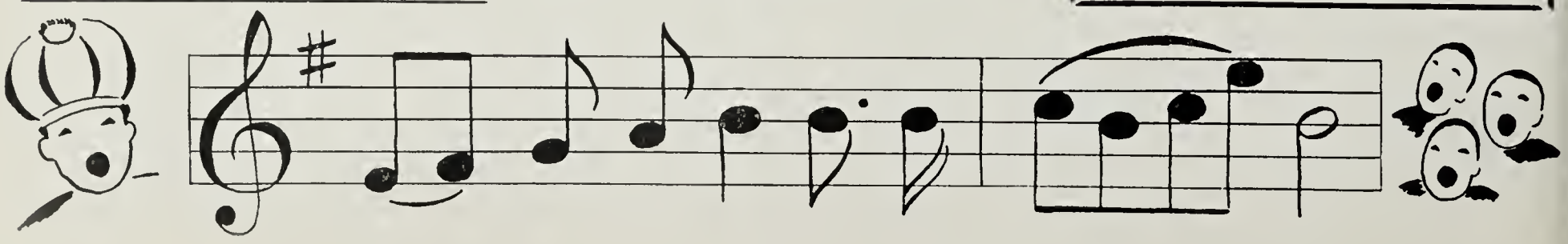
Young Marrieds Elect Officers

The last meeting of the year was held at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Marvin Robinson on Tuesday evening, May 8th. Elections were held and the following officers were selected:

President . . . . Dr. Marvin G. Robinson
Vice-President . . . Mr. William Riemer
Secretary . . . . . Mrs. Buddy Keller
Treasurer . . . Mr. Seymour Finkelstein
Publicity Chairman
Mrs. Charles Jacobson

Mrs. Norman Cohen was appointed Entertainment Chairman with Mr. Buddy Keller and Mr. Norman Cohen as her standing committee. Mr. Warren Ringler and Mr. Sidney Silberman were appointed to the Program Committee.

Yizkor Elohim
SAMUEL PEARCE
husband of Mrs. Ethel Pearce



THE PARK AVENUE SYNAGOGUE

BULLETIN

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RABBI NOVECK ELECTED RABBI

Rabbi Simon Noveck has been officially elected Rabbi of the Park Avenue Synagogue by the Board of Trustees at its last meeting. Rabbi Noveck, who was acting Rabbi during the past year, now officially succeeds Rabbi Milton Steinberg who was the leader of the Congregation from 1933 until his untimely death in March 1950.

Rabbi Noveck came to the Synagogue in 1949 to serve as Associate to Rabbi Steinberg. Prior to that he had served as Rabbi of the Baldwin Jewish Centre in Baldwin, Long Island, of Congregation B'nai Israel in Freeport and from 1944 to 1946 as acting Rabbi of Temple Beth El of Cedarhurst, Long Island.

A native of Atlanta, Georgia, Rabbi Noveck was trained for the Rabbinate in New York. He was graduated from the Jewish Theological Seminary of America in 1941. He had previously received his B.A. in Social Sciences from Yeshiva University and a degree in Jewish Pedagogy from the Teachers Institute of the Yeshiva.

Recently named as Chaplain of the Institute of Applied Arts and Sciences of the University of the State of New York, Rabbi Noveck was formerly a lecturer in the Political Science Department of the College of the City of New York and an instructor in Modern Jewish History at the Seminary School of Jewish Studies.

Word of the election has brought numerous letters of congratulation to the synagogue and to the Rabbi. Among those who have written to express their satisfaction with the decision of the Board are: Benjamin G. Browdy, president of the Zionist Organization of America; Dr. Louis Finkelstein, president of the Jewish Theological Seminary; Rabbi Philip Bernstein, president of the Central Conference of American Rabbis; Rabbi Max Davidson, president of the Rabbinical Assembly of America; Dr. David Petegorsky, executive director of the American Jewish Congress; Dr. David DeSola Pool of the Spanish Portuguese Synagogue and numerous friends, former students and congregants.

Questioned about his plans for next year, Rabbi Noveck indicated that his first step was a trip abroad this summer to gather information on the status of Jews and Judaism in western Europe and Israel. He plans to visit London, Amsterdam, Brussels, Antwerp, Paris, Rome and Naples, interviewing the chief Rabbis and the leaders of the Jewish communities in each of these cities and then to proceed to Israel in time for the opening of the historic twenty third World Zionist Congress. On his return, he will report to the Congregation on his observations.

Rabbi Noveck will discuss the variegated role of the Rabbi as educator and leader in the modern community on the radio program "Your World" with Estelle Sternberger this evening, at 5:30 P.M. on Station WLIB.

The members of the Board of Trustees and the heads of the auxiliary groups of the Congregation all join in wishing Rabbi Noveck a wonderful and stimulating trip and many years of creative and effective leadership at the Synagogue and in the Jewish community.

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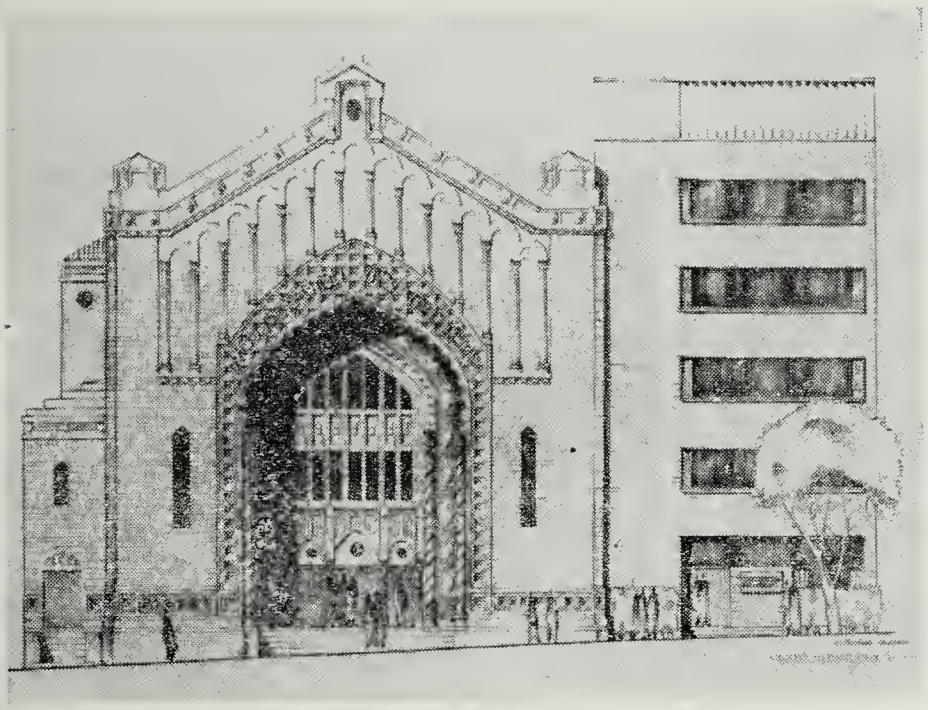
SEPTEMBER 28, 1951 — 27 ELUL, 5711

OUR NEW BUILDING



A joint meeting of representatives of the Trustees, headed by Mr. Benjamin Sack, chairman, and of the Bulding Committee, led by Mr. Saul Godwin, met at the Park Avenue Synagogue on September 6th and chose the architects for our contemplated structure. A contract is being drawn which is expected to be executed shortly and the final plans and specifications will emerge, followed by the demolition of the existing structure on the site and the construction of our new building.

The architects chosen will work closely with representatives of all arms of the Synagogue so that the fullest use may be had of the new premises for all its activities.

Our campaign to raise funds for this objective has been given new vigor by the generous response of the congregants, and we are well on our way to the goal set by the Milton Steinberg Memorial Committee, under the dynamic leadership of Messrs. I. M. Cohen and Milton Weill.

We are now embarked on an historic enterprise for the greater glory of the Park Avenue Synagogue, and urge fullest cooperation from all the congregants to make this endeavor a noteworthy success.

High Holy Days to Dedicate Our New Year

The Park Avenue Synagogue will usher in the Jewish New Year this Sunday, September 30th at 6:00 P.M. The High Holy Day services this year will be conducted by Rabbi Simon Noveck and Cantor David J. Putterman assisted by the Synagogue Choir and Mr. Isador Geller at the Organ.

Cantor Abraham Friedman will conduct the early Shacharit services in the Main Synagogue while Mr. Sanford Hahn, rabbinical student at the Jewish Theological Seminary, will conduct them in the Vestry. Mr. Isidore Hahn will blow the Shofar.

A special Junior Congregation service will take place on Monday and Tuesday mornings, October 1st and 2nd at 11:30 A.M., under the direction of Mr. Sanford Hahn with the assistance of some of the young people, at the Jewish Museum.

The theme of Rabbi Noveck's sermon on the first day of Rosh Hashanah will be "On Being a Jew—What Does It Mean?". He will point out that the philosophy of Israel's Jews that, only in the Jewish State can one truly be a complete Jew, poses the question, "What does it mean to be a Jew in the Diaspora?". Rabbi Noveck will analyze these essential elements and suggest a program for Jewish living in America and in the Diaspora.

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SCHEDULE of SERVICES

Rosh Hashanah Eve, Sunday, September 30th. . .5:45 P.M.
Rosh Hashanah Morning, Monday, October 1st. .8:30 A.M.

Rabbi Noveck will preach:
"On Being a Jew—What Does It Mean?"

Second Evening, Monday, October 1st. . . . . .5:45 P.M.
Second Morning, Tuesday, October 2nd. . . . . .8:30 A.M.

Rabbi Noveck will speak on:
"Can Judaism Survive in the Western World?"

Shabbat Shuvah, Friday, October 5th. . . . . .5:45 P.M.
Saturday Morning, October 6th. . . . . .10:00 A.M.

Kol Nidre, Tuesday, October 9th. . . . . .5:30 P.M.

Rabbi Noveck will preach:
"An Agenda for American Jews"

Yom Kippur, Wednesday, October 10th. . . . . .8:30 A.M.

Rabbi will speak on:
"The Psychology of the Diaspora Jew"

Yizkor Services, October 10th. . . . . .3:00 P.M.
Sermon will be "Dream and Fulfillment"

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from the desk of Rabbi Noveck

Travelling to distant lands and living among cultures different from our own is always a great emotional and intellectual experience. To wander amidst the remnants of the middle ages—the Versailles of Louis the fourteenth, the halls of Oxford University or the Stratford of Shakespeare, to walk under the Arch of Titus and then to stand with one's own feet on the hallowed soil of Israel—on Mount Carmel where Elijah fought with the prophets of Baal, in Jaffa from which Jonah set sail on his mission—is for anyone with a sense of history or a Jewish consciousness a great privilege.

It was my privilege to have these and many other experiences during the past summer. But as I look back on the past two months I think the greatest thing I have gained from this trip is a new perspective on American and Jewish life.

First of all, I have come back convinced that we in America are doing great harm to ourselves by allowing the current hysteria and the suppression of freedoms to take hold of us. Nowhere in Europe or Israel did I find this same anxiety and fear that characterizes us —not in London nor Amsterdam nor Paris nor Rome nor in Jerusalem. In Hyde Park, in London, Communists, Socialists, Conservatives, Laborites, Christian Missionaries and Jewish ex-servicemen all set up their stands and, side by side, talk their heads off while thousands of respectable citizens stand and listen or good naturedly disagree. As I heard one Bobby remark, "It ain't doing us no harm and it's doing them a lot of good." While building up our armaments and strengthening our defense we ought to also build up our faith in the freedom of ideas and strengthen our morale for the future.

Secondly, I have come to appreciate, more than ever before, as a result of this trip, what a great institution the Synagogue is for the preservation of Jewish life. All over Europe and Israel I saw Synagogues that physically were magnificent and imposing but which actually had very little to offer the people of the community. The concept of a Synagogue with youth activities, adult education programs, auxiliary organizations and social service functions, in other words, with a total approach to Jewish life, is strange to European and Israeli Jewry. Only in England has there begun to emerge institutions of this kind. The development in America of Synagogues that are more than prayer halls and of Rabbis that are more than religious functionaries is, I am now convinced, one of the great guarantees for Jewish survival in America.

Finally I have come to realize, more than ever before, how important it is for American Jews to develop some form of unity in their religious and communal life. I do not think that the continental system whereby Jews are organized into official communities to which they must belong and pay taxes in order to be Jewish is suitable to the American Jewish mentality. Nor do I think we can ever have, as in England, a Chief Rabbinate, for our environment is quite different. However we must find some way of eliminating the anarchy and duplication which as the MacIver report indicates so characterizes American Jewish life. We must acquire a bit of the discipline and sense of standards which characterizes England and some of the European Jewish communities.

All of which leads me to our own Synagogue and our own pattern of Jewish life. We have planned a program of activities for the coming year which we hope will offer something to each member of our congregation. The Adult Education Committee, the School Board, the Sisterhood, the Men's Club, the Parents Association, the Young Marrieds, the Junior League and the Mr. and Mrs. Club will each announce its own program and plans in the next few days. I trust each of you will be active in as many phases of these activities as you can.

On behalf of Cantor Putterman, the Synagogue Staff and myself may we wish you a year of health and happiness.

L'shanah tovah tikatevu.

SIMON NOVECK

message from the Board Chairman

Welcome to all. I trust everyone has had a pleasant summer and enjoyed good health. We return to the activities of the Synagogue, for worship, study and sociability.

Everyone I have met appears to be affected by a certain vibration in the air which is due to the anticipation of enjoying our new building. The project has become a real one, out of the talking stages: now on the drawing boards of the architect engaged to design and supervise the erection of our new School and Community Centre. All will know that when this project is finished and paid for, we shall possess for ourselves a small part of the spirit of our beloved Milton Steinberg which will pervade this building forever.

Congratulations to Rabbi Simon Noveck upon whom the mantle of Rabbi Steinberg has been plamed by vote of the Board of Trustees and the Congregation. I bespeak for him patience and the continued confidence of the Congregation.

I extend particular thanks to those committees who have labored during part of the hot and humid summer just ended in necessary and important aspects of our congregational life.

We should be favored by good weather in the forthcoming holidays because of the time of the year. May we be privileged to continue in good weather in all respects for the balance of the New Year.

Happy New Year to all.

BENJAMIN SACK

During this season of the year the Synagogue office is busily engaged in making arrangements for the Holy Day Services and other activities of the Congregation. Members are requested to help make this work easier by informing the office of all vital statistics including change of address, marriages, births etc. Send or call all information to Mr. Emanuel Rosenthal, executive secretary.

Junior League Names New Officers for '52

The Junior League begins another year's activities with plans for a full program which will be enjoyable, sociable and educational. The officers and members wish to extend their best wishes for a happy and prosperous year to the congregation.

The officers elected for the 1951-52 season are: Honorary President, Louis I. Heller; President, Bernard Weinflash; Vice Presidents, Phyllis Gerard and Lester Burger; Treasurer, Richard S. Kohn; Recording Secretary, Barbara Lang; Corresponding Secretary, Henriette Moed; Executive Committee members-at-large, Robert Barzilay, Rita Goodman, Sara Spiro, Anne Stern and Murray Tarragano; Membership Chairman, Terry Weiss; Athletic Chairman, Russell Richmond; Finance Chairman, Robert Greenstein; Hospitality Chairman, Rita Spiegel and Survey Chairman, Mitchell Waife.

It is not too soon to get busy with the Raffle Books for Sisterhood's Annual Donor Luncheon to be held in the Grand Ballroom of the Hotel Astor on Tuesday, December 4th. It will require the concentrated efforts of all Sisterhood members to reach our goal. Act now!

High Holy Days

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On the second day his theme will be "Can Judaism Survive in the Western World?" Passing in review the great challenges that face the Jew in the Diaspora, particularly in Western Europe and and England, Rabbi Noveck will disdiscuss such problems as the lack of numbers of European Jews due to the recent tragedies, the new migrations from Europe to Canada, Brazil and Australia, the lack of any real religious liberalism in Europe and Israel, and the restricted nature of the Synagogue in most European lands.

With these challenges, as his point of departure, he will discuss the similar problems facing European and American Jewry and outline some of the steps that must be taken if these challenges are to be overcome.

Mr. Benjamin Sack, Chairman of the Board of Trustees announces the appointment of Edward Kaye and Bernard Prensky as Chairman and Co-Chairman, respectively, of the Ushering Committee. The composition of this committe will be announced at a later date.

Thanks is hereby given to Jacob Boorstein, retiring Chairman of the Ushering Committee who performed devoted and useful service in the work of this committee to date.

Parent's Association Sends Season's Greeting

Summer days are over and once more we face a new year with all its challenges and stimulating problems.

We are caught between two worlds with varied conflicting philosophies. Educators today are disturbed as the emphasis in education is on the sciences rather than the humanities.

We, as Jews having long been called "The People of the Book" must see our way clearly. It is up to us to give our children not only the background and history of our people, but we must imbue them with the great philosophy of our people.

We must teach them the worthwhileness of man. The differences of nations and people should be taught so that we will have a moral responsibility to that ancient question—"Am I my brother's Keeper?"

The Parents Association has planned an active program for the year. We have interesting and well known speakers for our open meetings. We would like to urge, not only parents but all members to attend our meetings. All parents are urged to become active in our programs.

Let us, as parents and those interested in the spiritual development of our youth, join hands to make this a year in which we will give our children an inner strength "to go forth in our world unafraid."

Vic Wimpfheimer
Parents Association

Young Marrieds Plan New Season's Program

The first meeting of the Young Marrieds was held in the Board Room of the Synagogue on Tuesday evening, September 18th. A program for the year was presented to the group by the Program Chairman, William Riemer, and plans were made for the year's activities.

Refreshments were served later in the Vestry by the Entertainment Chairman, Mrs. Norman Cohen and her committee.

All young married couples who are interested in joining the group are invited to attend future meetings. The dates of these will be announced in the next issue of BULLETIN.

Youth Department Forms Three Teen Age Groups

It is with a great deal of pride that the Youth Department of our Synagogue announces the formation of three new clubs which will fill the needs of teenagers in our Synagogue Community.

The clubs, whose members range in age from 13 years to 17, have been actively at work, since the beginning of September, planning their programs. The members of the planning committees are enthusiastic in their endeavor to make their clubs a total success.

The planning committee for the youngest group includes Eleanor Foa, Sandra Gevirtz, Martin Gold, David Hoexter, Michael Rosen, Andrew Selig and Roger Waldman. The intermediate group elected permanent officers last May. They are Jonathan Freedman, President; Martin Gelfand, Secretary; and Barton Hoexter, Treasurer. The oldest of the three groups has a working committee of the following temporary officers: President, Jack Kaplan; Vice Presidents, Michele Kaye and Sylvia Schneider; and Secretary, Julia Washell.

The committees plan to have interesting and varied programs of socials, films, discussions, debates, lectures, theatre parties, trips, outings, as well as inter-synagogue activities.

We feel that these groups have much to offer the young people of our Synagogue.

Abraham Friedman Appointed Cantor

The appointment of Cantor Abraham Friedman, formerly Cantor of Congregation Emanuel in Mount Vernon, as assistant cantor to Cantor David Putterman has been announced. He will be the Reader of the Torah and will assist in the teaching of Bar Mitzvah boys.

Cantor Friedman who has studied in both Germany and Russia is a graduate of the Damroch Institute, now known as the Julliard School of Music. He served for many years as Cantor of Congregation Shaare Torah in Brooklyn and, more recently, as Cantor of Congregation Emanuel in Mount Vernon.

He is the Chairman of the Placement Committee of the Cantor's Assembly at the Jewish Theological Seminary. Cantor Friedman has also been active in the Cantors Association and in the Jewish Music Council of the Y.M.H.A. in Mount Vernon where he has appeared as soloist many times.

Rabbi Noveck Addresses West London Synagogue

On September 11th, Rabbi Noveck returned, after spending seven weeks in Europe and Israel. While in London he was the guest speaker at the West London Synagogue on upper Berkeley Street at regular Sabbath services. He met with the leaders of the London Jewish community, the Chief Rabbi Israel Brody, the Rabbis of the liberal and reform groups in London, the President of the Board of Deputies of British Jewry, the leaders of the British section of the World Jewish Congress and the Secretary of the Anglo Jewish Association.

In Amsterdam, Antwerp, Paris and Rome Rabbi Noveck discussed the status of Jews and Judaism with the leaders in these cities. He will report on these discussions during the course of the High Holy Days.

Mazel Tov

TO Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Fredman on the Birth of their son, Neil Allen, on August 29th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Jacob J. Schwebel on the Birth of their grandson.

TO Mr. and Mrs. A. I. Levy on the Birth of a grandson.

TO Mrs. Ida Daub on the Birth of her grandson.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Leon Blauner on the Marriage of their daughter, Helene to Mr. M. David Korn.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Milton Heller on the Marriage of their son, Louis I. Heller to Julia M. Strasburger on September 16th.

TO Mr. Emanuel Rosenthal on his Birthday, September 13th.

TO Mr. Jacob Friedman on his Birthday, October 15th.

TO Mrs. Jacob Friedman Jr. on her Birthday, August 12th.

TO Dr. and Mrs. Harold Osserman on their 26th Wedding Anniversary, September 24th.

TO Dr. and Mrs. S. Fred Julich on their 10th Wedding Anniversary, September 11th.

TO Judge and Mrs. Bernard Botein on their 11th Wedding Anniversary, October 14th.

TO Dr. and Mrs. J. J. Marquith on their 30th Wedding Anniversary, September 15th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Shapiro on their 10th Wedding Anniversary, September 18th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Max Zahler on their 30th Wedding Anniversary, September 25th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Robins on their 25th Wedding Anniversary, October 9th.

TO Miss Belle Sicherman, faculty member in our Hebrew Department, on her Marriage to Mr. Benjamin Miller.

TO Dr. and Mrs. Julius Davis on the Marriage of their daughter, Yvette to Dr. M. Benjamin.

EDITORS NOTE: Due to the two month summer lapse some personals may have escaped us. If so, contact the BULLETIN or the Synagogue office and they will be included in our next issue.

58 New Members Join Synagogue

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome into the Synagogue 58 new members and their families. The following have joined the Synagogue within the past year. The total congregation of the Park Avenue Synagogue now exceeds 770.

The new members include:

Ralph Abrams, Dr. Edward Adelson, Nathan Adams, Bela Adler, Morris Becker, Irving G. Belaief, Herbert Berger, David Bilsky, Werner Cahnman, Mrs. Jennie Cohen, J. R. Cominsky, Mrs. Florence Duke, Philip Falkenstein, Dr. Ralph Feig, Seymour Finkelstein.

Emil M. Forster, Samuel G. Fredman, Seymour Garber, Gerard N. Gersen, Mrs. M. Gibson, Milton Gluckman, Hon Nathaniel Goldstein, Solomon E. Green, Daniel Greene, Mrs. Bessie Greenwald, Leopold Heffner, Sidney Heller, Walter Hoexter, Charles Jacobson, Milton Jacobson.

Dr. Morris Kaplan, Louis Karasik, Leon Klein, Nathan B. Kogan, Dr. Louis Leiter, Mrs. Aaron J. Linzer, Morton A. Linzer, Dr. Arnold Mandel, Mrs. Stella G. Martus, Dr. David Paley, David Richman, Warren Ringler, Hon. Irving Rosen, Mrs. Helen Roth, Max Rothenberg.

Mrs. Sylvia Seigenfeld, Bernard L. Shapiro, Abraham Sherr, Ivens Sherr, Leonard Stone, Mrs. Louis Surut, Leopold Solomon, Dr. Lester Tuchman, Dr. George Wallace, Bernard Weinflash, Philip Weintraub, Therese Weiss, Dr. S. L. Winnick.

WANTED

The Synagogue is in need of a mini-piano, spinet or very small upright. If anyone has one which is not being used and would like to donate it to the music department of the Religious School, it will be greatly appreciated. Phone or notify Cantor Putterman, SAcremento 2-8765.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Armour of Lockhaven, Pennsylvania will attend High Holy Day Services at the Park Avenue Synagogue.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES ARE IN FULL SWING

School Opening Highlited by Film For High Holy Days

The Principal and the Faculty are proud to announce that the Religious School has been in session since Sunday, Sept. 16, 1951.

The students of the Primary Department were welcomed by Rabbi Simon Noveck and Mr. Leichtling in a special assembly which was high-lighted by the showing of a film-strip on Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. This Dramatic and informative film-strip will be the basis for much of the High Holy Day instruction in the classroom.

The Hebrew Department of the school met on Monday, September 17 and, for the second year, greeted an entering class of more than thirty students. Once again, some ten students of the Primary Department decided to forgo their last year in Sunday School to join the Hebrew School a year ahead of time.

United Synagogue Scholarship Awards Granted for '51

The Metropolitan Council of the United Synagogue has announced that Scholarship Awards for the school year 1950-1951 have been granted to the following students of the Park Avenue Synagogue Religious School: Tony Berns, Peter Bienstock, Edward Curtiss, C. Falkenstein, Cynthia Fread, Anthony Greenwald, John Kogan, Steven Kohn, Alan Mehlman, David Nalin, Sheldon Polsky, Lee Reichman, Gail Rosenkrantz, Paul Bienstock, Marilyn Schneider, Ellen Wimpfheimer and Teddy Zucker.

Two of the students, Anthony Greenwald and Paul Bienstock, have received achievement awards for 3 successive years, and at the end of this year will be eligible for membership in the Keter Torah Society, the city wide honor society for students of Hebrew.

New admissions to the Primary Department and the Hebrew Department of the School will be accepted in the school office until October 12th. Parents are urged to visit or call the school office any afternoon after 2:00 P.M. to register their children in the school.

Do not delay! Register today!

STUDY NOTES

The Primary Department of the Religious School has inaugurated a Hebrew-Readiness Program for students of 8 and 9. Experience has shown that students must be "made ready" for reading whether it be in English or in Hebrew. With that in mind, classes 3 and 4 will, this year, study a carefully graded course prepared under the supervision of the Jewish Education Committee. The course makes use of attractive charts, flash cards and games and prepares the student for the more formal study of Hebrew the following year in our Hebrew Department.

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A new history text book, "The Jewish People" by Deborah Pessin, the first of a series of three books prepared under the auspices of the United Synagogue Commission on Education will be used by class 1 of the Hebrew Department. The history book, with a Conservative Judaism orientation, will replace the Hebrew Union College publications previously used in Congregational Schools.

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The music program of the Hebrew Department has been expanded to provide for additional music instruction and an extra-curricular program of dramatics and music. On Wednesday afternoons Miss Fay Green, a music teacher in the N. Y. City school system will teach liturgical and folk music to classes 1 and 2 and on Thursdays. She will lead interested students of the Hebrew Department in the preparation of musical and dramatic productions. Miss Green plans to present a minimum of four productions during the school year.

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The study of Humash has been added to the work of Hebrew School Class 4. The students will have an opportunity to read and study selected portions of the Bible in Hebrew.

Junior Congregation To Conduct Services At Jewish Museum

Again this year, in upholding an established precedent, the Young People of the synagogue will present High Holy-Day services at the Jewish Museum on 92nd St. near 5th Ave. Facilities for these services are made available by the Jewish Theological Seminary and Dr. Stephen S. Kayser, curator of the museum.

These services, to be held on October 1st and 2nd at 11:30 A.M. and on October 10th at 11:30 A.M., will be conducted by Mr. Sanford H. Hahn assisted by Edward Curtiss, Eleanor Foa, Martin Gold, David Steinberg, Michele Kaye, Jonathan Greenwald, Sylvia Schneider, Theodore Zucker, Lee B. Reichman, Roger Waldman, David Ruttenberg and Paul Bienstock.

September Birthday Celebrations For 25 Religious School Pupils

The month of September brings birthday celebrations for many students in our Religious School.

Happy Birthday to Alan Aaron, Robert Berglas, Susan Carla Berns, Jonathan Charnas, Charles Gelfand, Judith Geller, Leone Giat, Leslie Granowitz, Linda Grauer, Leon Grossman, Joel Haber, Jane Jacobs, Robert Kaplan, Michael Kogan, Ellen Kraman, Peter Meltzer, David Reichman, Michael Rosenberg, Michael Rosenblum, Gail Rosenkrantz, Frederick Simon, Jonathan Siegel, Barbara Stone, Steffi Wallace and Leon Weisberg.

Classes 3 and 4 of the Primary School will be urged to attend at least two Junior Congregation services during each month of the coming school year.

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The members of the Confirmation Class of 1952 met Thursday afternoon, September 13th to plan their program of studies and their social activities for the year.

MILTON STEINBERG MEMORIAL NEWS

Of the 770 members of our Synagogue, the 609 listed below have made their pledges to the Milton Steinberg Memorial Fund. When the new School building will have been officially opened. the Synagogue plans to set up a plaque whereon will be listed the names of all those who have contributed to make this noteworthy Institution possible. This plaque it is hoped will remain for all time as recognition to those who have had a share in bringing about the realization of a great ideal.

If it your desire to have your name included on this plaque. *please act without delay.*

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New Liturgical Music For Our Synagogue Published Recently

Within the past few weeks G. Schirmer Inc. announced the publication of a one volume anthology of more than 350 pages of 38 compositions for the Sabbath Eve Service, all of which were composed for our Synagogue at the invitation of Cantor David J. Putterman.

These include only the first five Friday evening services (1943 to 1947 inclusive) of New Liturgical Music by Contemporary Composers whch received their world premiere performances at our Synagogue.

The publication of this veritable treasure to the enrichment of Synagogue Music was made possible by the magnanimous generosity of the family of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph H. Cohen, members of our Synagogue, to whom the book is dedicated bearing the following inscription:

"No greater joy could mark the Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph H. Cohen than to encourage the development of Jewish Music."

The book also contains a Foreword by our beloved Rabbi Milton Steinberg, a Preface by Cantor David J. Putterman and Acknowledgements by the Park Avenue Synagogue.

The composers who contributed their creative genius to this anthology are: Arthur Berger, Leonard Bernstein, A. W. Binder, Henry Brant, Mario Castelnuovo-Tedesco, Julius Chajes, Paul Dessau, David Diamond, Lukas Foss, Isadore Freed, Herbert Fromm, Morton Gould, Alexavdre Gretchaninoff, Roy Harris, Max Helfman, Frederick Jacobi, Ernst Levy, Jacques de Menasce, Darius Milhaud, Paul A. Pisk, Bernard Rogers, Salomo Rosowsky, Heinrich Schalit, Leo Smit, Leo Sowerby, William Grant Still, Alexandre Tansman, Kurt Weill, Jacob Weinberg, Zavel Zilberts.

Mario Castelnuovo-Tedesco, Darius Milhaud and David Diamond have since composed complete Friday Evening Services. Frederick Jacobi is presently engaged in composing a new Friday Evening Service which will receive its world premiere performance at our Synagogue in May 1952 on the occasion of our Tenth Annual Service of New Liturgical Music by Contemporary Composers.

Critics Applaud "A Believing Jew" Rabbi Milton Steinberg's New Book

Rabbi Milton Steinberg's new book, "A Believing Jew" has been hailed enthusiastically by the critics. Many letters of praise have been received by the publishers, Harcourt, Brace and Company.

"The book, touching on many aspects of contemporary life and thought, presents to us Milton Steinberg's mind at its noblest and best. The community is fortunate to have "A Believing Jew," writes Louis Finkelstein, President of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America.

In his book the candid charity of the late Rabbi Steinberg shines strongly forth. The book is in four parts; the idea of God: Judaism and the American scene; Israel; and Judaism and the personal life.

Here can be found the full measure of Dr. Steinberg's individual qualities of brilliance and compassion. It is an experience in reading and thinking that should be shared by all.

Copies of "A Believing Jew" are now available at $3.50 plus postage of 12 cents at the Synagogue. Make all checks payable to the Park Avenue Synagogue, and send all checks and orders to Mrs. Emanuel Rosenthal, 50 East 86th Street, New York.

Adult Education Program To Begin After Holidays

The Adult Education program will be launched as soon as the holidays are over. Plans formulated by the committee in May of last year call for the "The World of our Grandfathers."

The lectures this year to be given by Rabbi Noveck will include such topics as: The Jews of Czarist Russia until the Revolution; The Rise of Yiddish Literature; Forerunners of Zionism; The Builders of the Jewish State and Judaism and the Rise of Socialism.

Among the courses to be given at 8:00 o'clock will be one on Psychology and Religion to be given by a professional psychologist who is also a Rabbi; a course on Choral Music by Cantor David Putterman; three courses in Hebrew and a course in Yiddish.

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One of the most beautiful ceremonies in our Synagogue is the processional with the Lulav (Palm Branch) and Esrog (Citron) which is held during the Succoth Festival. The Rabbi and Cantor are anxious for as many of the men as possible to participate in this processional. Orders for the Lulav and Esrog can be placed through the Synagogue office.

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Congregants to be Honored on Simhath Torah

MRS. BENJAMIN SACK

Consecration Services Welcome New Pupils

Consecration Services honoring the students who have enrolled in the Religious School this year, will be held on Monday evening, October 22nd, in conjunction with the Simhath Torah services. The young scholars will be called before the Ark of the Synagogue and blessed by Rabbi Noveck. Each child

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Mrs. B. Sack, Mr. J. Lubin, Mr. E. Cohen To Receive Honors

Mrs. Benjamin Sack, Mr. Joseph I. Lubin and Mr. Ezra Cohen will be honored for outstanding service in Synagogue, Jewish and communal affairs by the Congregation at the *Simhath Torah* service on Tuesday morning, October 23rd.

Following the Hakafot, the processional with the Torah Scrolls, Mr. Joseph Lubin will be called to "stand forth" as *Hathan Torah* (Bridegroom of the Torah)

MR. JOSEPH I. LUBIN

Then Mr. Ezra Cohen will be called to the pulpit as *Hathan Bereshith* (Bridegroom of the Beginning), as the Torah is rerolled and the first verses of Genesis are read. Mrs. Benjamin Sack will be honored as *Kalah Mafteret* (Bride of Prophetic Message) for *Simhath Torah* 5712.

The practice of honoring members of a congregation by designating them *Hathan Torah* and *Hathan Bereshith* originated from medieval Judaism and from a mystical thread within it.

On *Simhath Torah*, the last day of the *Succoth* festival, the *Torah* cycle of the year is completed and then is begun again. The last section and the first one are traditionally regarded as portions of

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MR. EZRA COHEN

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Intermediate Sabbath, Saturday, October 20th ..... 10:00 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Alan Aaron

Shemini Atzeret Evening, Sunday, October 21st ..... 6:00 P.M.
Shemini Atzeret Yizkor Services, Monday, October 22nd . 9:30 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach

Simhath Torah Consecration Service,
Monday, October 22nd ..... 5:30 P.M.
Simhath Torah, Tuesday, October 23rd ..... 9:30 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach

Saturday Morning, October 27th ..... 10:00 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Edward Curtiss

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MR. MAURICE SAMUEL

Maurice Samuel Speaks At Milton Steinberg Hadassah Inaugural

The newly organized Hadassah group to be named and dedicated in honor of the memory of Rabbi Milton Steinberg, will hold its inaugural meeting in the Vestry of the Park Avenue Synagogue, on Thursday, October 18th at 1:30 P.M.

Maurice Samuel, eminent author, lecturer, and life long friend of Rabbi Steinberg, will be the guest speaker. His subject will be "Milton Steinberg and Israel Today."

Rabbi Noveck and Cantor Putterman will participate in the program. All members of the Synagogue are invited to attend.

Mazel Tov

TO Dr. and Mrs. Marvin G. Robinson on the Birth of a son, Peter Jay, on September 28th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Finkelstein on the Birth of a son, Charles, and to his Grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Gustave Yuder.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Ochs Jr. on the Birth of a daughter, Jacqueline Bette, and to her Grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Ochs and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Peiper, and the Great Grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Friedman and Mrs. Frieda Ochs.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Haft on the Birth of a grandchild.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Harry Halbren on the Marriage of their daughter, Rosalie, to Mr. Gilbert Frank on October 11th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Glass on the Birth of a granddaughter.

TO Dr. and Mrs. Theodore Kaplan on their 23rd Wedding Anniversary, July 1st.

TO Dr. and Mrs. Theodore Kaplan on the Birth of their granddaughter, Janina Popenoe.

TO Mr. Milton Weill on his Birthday, October 21st.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Klein on their 40th Wedding Anniversary, October 25th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Harry Zucker on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Theodore on October 13th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Jack Aaron on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Alan on October 20th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Curtiss on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Edward, October 27th.

SCHEDULE OF SUCCOTH SERVICES for the RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

Monday, October 22nd—Holiday Services—Vestry ... 9:30 A.M.
Monday, October 22nd—"Hakafot" and Consecration—
Services in Synagogue ..... 5:30 P.M.
Tuesday, October 23rd—"Hakafot" Processional—
Synagogue .....10:00 A.M.

Curtiss Bar Mitzvah To be Held Oct. 27th

Edward I. Curtiss, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Curtiss, will celebrate his Bar Mitzvah on Saturday morning, October 27th. His portion and Haftarah will be from Bereshith.

Edward, at present, is a member of the 8th grade in P. S. 6. Upon graduation he plans to attend Bronx Science High School and hopes to go to Harvard College.

An avid reader, Edward's main interest is books, and his future ambition is to be a doctor. He has attended the Religious School for six years and is studying Hebrew for the fourth year.

CONSECRATION SERVICES

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will receive a certificate to commemorate the occasion and the students, entering our Hebrew Department will receive, in addition, a miniature Torah scroll.

The following new students in our school will be honored:

Primary Department: David Alberts, Rosanne Alberts, Stephen Black, Stephen Dell, Stephen Feig, Inez Fields, Wendy Gluckman, Amy Granowitz, Willa Grauer, Irene Gross, Babette Hoexter, Carol Hoexter, Joan Hoexter, Irene Beth Klein, Edward Kotkin, Michael Mandel, Jeffrey Mehlman, Dail Metzger, Howard Rosenberg, Alice Rubel, Cora Rubel, Joan Rubinstein, Alan Shapiro, Amy L. Sheldon, Sara Jane Sheldon, Rita Sherr, Falene Simet, Robert Spiegel, Karen Steinberg, Renee Stern, Jonathan Stowe, Susan Swick, Emily S. Weinberg and Lillian Wiener.

Hebrew Department: Jay Adam, Andrew Allenson, Abbey Jane Berns, Sanford Bilsky, Stephen Botein, Phyllis Brody, Susan Drukatz, Michael Fleisher, Susan Fleschner, Richard Fread, Michael Freedman, Charles Gelfand, Karl Gerken, Leone Giat, Nancy Greenberg, Susan Linda Herbert, Michael Heyman, Adam Heyman, Robert Karpf, Jack Nusbaum, Michael Kogan, Richard Pesikoff, David Reichman, James Rome, Kenneth Rosen, Richard Ruster, David Savitz, Lawrence Schnap, Jonathan Siegel, Frances Sloane, John Stangel, John Stern, Joseph Weintraub, Leon Weisberg, Elliot P. Zucker and Judith Zwern.

Mrs. Milton Steinberg wishes to thank all the people of the Park Avenue Synagogue who sent her greetings for the holidays and wishes them a Happy New Year.

Congregation to Honor

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honor. Thus it has always been the practice to assign those portions to individuals, who by their scholarship, peity or service to the Jewish community, have merited public tribute. The custom of honoring a *Kalah Mafteret*, which was inaugurated three years ago, is a tribute to an outstanding woman member of the Congregation, for conspicuous service rendered the Jewish community.

Mrs. Benjamin Sack

The woman to be honored this year, as *Kalah Mafteret*, is Mrs. Benjamin Sack, the wife of our distinguished Chairman of the Board of Trustees.

Mrs. Sack exemplifies admirably the ideals of Jewish womanhood. As an officer of Sisterhood and Chairman of its Program Committee for many years, Freda Sack has inaugurated many inspiring and challenging programs. As Chairman of Sisterhood's major event, the Annual Donor Luncheon, Chairman of Federation and United Jewish Appeal Drives for Sisterhood, and her present chairmanship of the Bazaar for Sisterhood to be held this Spring, Mrs. Sack has given her time and energy.

In the congregation she has also served as co-chairman of the United Jewish Appeal for the Synagogue. In the community she is interested in Hadassah and other communal causes.

To all she has bestowed her warm and sympathetic personality and merits to the full being named *Kalah Mafteret* for the year 5712.

Mr. Joseph I. Lubin

To be honored as *Hathan Torah* will be Mr. Joseph I. Lubin, an eminent member of the Board of Trustees of the Synagogue for more than fifteen years. He has actively served on this body and on its important committees.

In the Jewish community Mr. Lubin has given service to Israel and the Jewish people as Executive and Administrator of the Joint Distribution Committee, as a member of the Board of the United Jewish Appeal and many other Jewish philanthropic groups.

In his profession and in the community he has served as Chairman of the New York State Board of Certified Public Accountant Examiners, Commissioner of the New York State Pension Fund, Governor of The New Rochelle Hospital, and Trustee of the Henry Street Settlement and other institutions.

In service to his country during the last World War, Joseph Lubin, as Deputy Chief Investigator of the War Production Board in Washington, worked on a full time basis without compensation.

As an outstanding member of the community and the congregation, it is fitting that he be named *Hathan Torah* for the year.

Mr. Ezra Cohen

The honor of *Hathan Bereshith* will be bestowed on Mr. Ezra Cohen, Vice-Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Synagogue, and a distinguished member of that group for many years.

Mr. Cohen who has been reared in the Park Avenue Synagogue since his boyhood, served as one of the early Chairmen of the School Board and was instrumental in establishing the Religious School of the Congregation. He has also, as Chairman of the Membership Committee for many years, been responsible for the building of the Congregation membership which has been increased to a maximum within recent years.

An active member in Community and Civic affairs, Ezra Cohen is dedicated to the cause of social justice. With these qualities of guidance and inspiration, he is one whose name, with propriety, the Synagogue may begin its years reading of Scripture.

To pay tribute to the three recipients of *Simhath Torah* honors all members of the Park Avenue Synagogue are invited to attend the services and reception which will immediately follow in the Vestry of the Synagogue.

New admissions to the Primary Department and the Hebrew Department of the Religious School will be accepted in the school office until October 17th. Parents are urged to visit or call the office any afternoon after 2:30 P.M. to register their children.

Mr. Alex Kaplan Joins School Staff

The increase in the enrollment of the Hebrew Department of the Religious School has made it necessary to appoint an additional full-time teacher to the staff. Mr. Alex Kaplan, our new faculty member, will teach the second and fourth year classes during the coming school year.

Mr. Kaplan's experience and background makes him a worthy addition to the staff. He acquired his Hebrew education at Herzliah Teachers Institute and the Teacher's Institute of the Jewish Theological Seminary. At present, he is licensed to teach Hebrew in the New York City School System.

Mr. Kaplan also graduated from Columbia College, where he was Captain of the Varsity Basketball team and later coached the Freshman team. He continued his studies at New York University where he received his M.A. in Hebrew Education. Mr. Kaplan has taught at Midwood High School and Romaz School.

Zucker Bar Mitzvah Held

The Bar Mitzvah of Theodore Zucker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Zucker, was held on Saturday morning, October 13th. His portion was from Joel which he interpreted in his own words.

Theodore, a member of the 8th grade at the Horace Mann School, plans to continue through Horace Mann High School. He has attended the Religious School for eight years and has studied Hebrew for four years.

An ardent sports enthusiast, Ted excells in tennis. His hobby is oil painting.

Oct. Birthday Celebrations For 15 Religious School Pupils

The faculty and the students of the Religious School congratulate the many students of the school who celebrate their birthdays during the month of October.

Happy Birthday to Rosanne Alberts, Richard Duke, Richard Fread, James Gordon, Ronald Stuart Gurfein, Joan Helpern, James Kaufman, Richard Kaufman, Stanley Nemeroff, James Rome, Howard Rosenberg, Jane Rosenhirsch, Herbert Stern, Susan Swick and Theodore A. Zucker.

MILTON STEINBERG MEMORIAL NEWS

Members Who Have Already Made Their Pledges . . .

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Sisterhood Will Meet For Luncheon Oct. 30

Plans are being formulated by Sisterhood for the first general get-together of the season. The occasion will be a luncheon to celebrate the reunion of old members and the welcoming of prospective new ones. This repast, similar to those for which Sisterhood is already becoming famous, will be held in the Vestry Room on October 30th at 12 noon.

Mrs. Helen Wimpfheimer, president of the group, is anxious to extend greetings to all present and to urge sociability and closer relationships among the women congregants. Rabbi Noveck will recall some highlights of his trip abroad, emphasizing woman's role outside the United States. Cantor Putterman will favor the group with some of his musical selections. Additional surprise entertainment will be presented.

Mrs. Wimpfheimer further suggests that there are many opportunities in Sisterhood for members to assist in the various projects undertaken by the organization. Anyone who is interested should volunteer her services.

Now, Sisterhood's greatest effort is being expended towards the Annual Luncheon to be held on December 4th in the Grand Ballroom of the Astor Hotel. Each Sisterhood member is needed to insure this affair's success.

Immediate and continued cooperation of all members is urgent as raffle books must be sold quickly and in great quantity.

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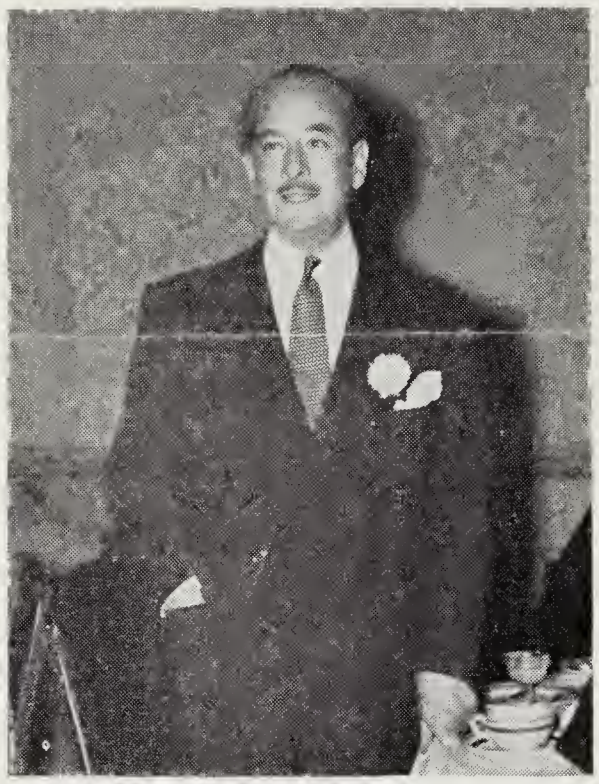
Judge Cooper to Address Men's Club

The opening meeting of the Men's Club will be held on Tuesday evening, October 30th, at 8:15 P.M. in the Vestry of the Synagogue. One of the problems confronting our community is the narcotic addiction of school children and juvenile delinquency.

To best illustrate the importance of this problem, the Men's Club has invited, as its guest speaker, the distinguished Presiding Justice of the Court of Special Sessions, Irving Ben Cooper, whose topic will be "Drama in the Court Room", narcotics, juvenile delinquency and the ever present problem of what to do with the first offenders.



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Presiding Justice Cooper is exceptionally qualified to discuss these subjects. As early as 1928 he was an assistant to Isidore Kresel in the ambulance chasing investigation. Subsequently, he was an associate counsel in the Seabury investigation to break up the vice ring and vice lords. Thereafter, during the La Guardia administration, he was counsel to the Commissioner of Investigation and he was personally in charge of the proceedings to disbar Dixie Davis, which led to the Dewey investigation.

A former Magistrate, a former Judge of Special Sessions, and now Presiding Justice of that Court, Justice Cooper will bring to the Men's Club platform a provocative, exciting and most interesting evening. A discussion from the floor will follow the formal address along with refreshments.

The meeting will be further highlighted by the appearance of our own Rabbi Simon Noveck, reporting the World Zionist Congress in Israel as he saw it.

All members of the congregation are cordially invited to attend and to bring their friends.

Young Marrieds Hear Rabbi Marvin Goldfine

The last meeting of the Young Marrieds was held Tuesday evening, October 16th at 8:30 P.M. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sokolow, 1225 Park Ave. Rabbi Marvin Goldfine of the Palestine Economic Corporation, and member of the Park Avenue Synagogue was the guest speaker. His topic was "Succoth and Shavouth in the Different Areas of the World."

The first meeting of the year was held in the Vestry of the Synagogue. Plans were made for the group's activities for the coming year.

The program includes a trip to the Jewish Museum, discussions on the observance of the major Holy Days, and a lecture on the Yiddish Theatre. These will be interspersed with social evenings, and possibly a dance or supper party.

Yizkor Elohim

AUGUSTA LEDERMAN

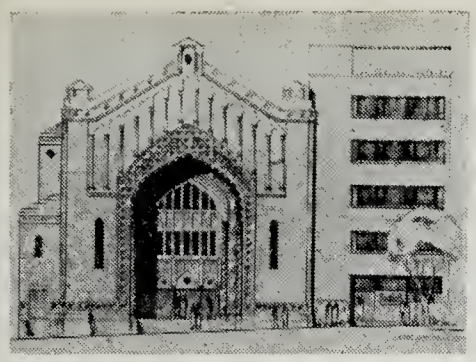
mother of Mrs. LeRoy Weisburger

Alan Aaron to Celebrate Bar Mitzvah, October 20th

Alan Aaron, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Aaron, will celebrate his Bar Mitzvah on Saturday morning, October 20th. His portion will be a special one from the Chal Hamoed of Succoth, and his Haftarah from Ezekiel.

Alan, a member of the Barnard School for Boys is in the 8th grade. He plans to continue through Barnard High School. He has attended the Religious School for the entire eight years and has studied Hebrew for four years.

Aside from his academic activities, Alan's hobby is airplane models, and he is actively interested in both baseball and football.



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Sisterhood to Hear Louis Untermeyer During Book Week

This year Sisterhood is hitting a new high with its program for the November 20th Open Meeting, and at its gala Donor Luncheon on December 4th, at the Hotel Astor Grand Ballroom.

On the afternoon of November 20th, in celebration of Book Week, Mr. Louis Untermeyer will speak on "What Americans Read And Why." Mr. Untermeyer is one of the great names in contemporary literature. He is one of America's great poets, and one of our greatest interpreters of culture and its meaning for our times. Ssterhood invites everyone to come. Bring your friends!

32 Days to Luncheon

This year's Annual Donor Luncheon promises to be a gala affair. The redecorated Ballroom at the Astor Hotel, will be the setting for a superb program presenting outstanding guest artists. The menu and gifts will be outstanding. How can anyone resist? But—it's later than you think.

The Annual Donor Luncheon will take place on Tuesday, December 4th, at 11:30 A.M. So rush your books and checks to Mrs. William Karmiol, treasurer, 400 East 58th St., N. Y. 22, N. Y. If you wish additional books, contact Mrs. Irwin Rome, chairman, 180 East 79th St., N. Y. 21, N. Y. REgent 7-1224.

Congressman Emanuel Celler To Occupy Pulpit Nov. 2nd

Congressman Emanuel Celler will be the guest speaker at the opening late Friday evening service on November 2nd, at 8:30 P.M. His topic will be "The Jew in Congress". He will give a "behind the scenes" glimpse into the life of a congressman and the climate of opinion in congress today. He will discuss some of the important legislation in which he has participated, particularly as related to Jews in America and in Israel.

Representative Celler has served for three decades in the House of Representatives. He is now Chairman of the Judiciary Committee of that body.

The congregation is invited to hear this eminent speaker at the opening late service. An Oneg Shabbat and forum discussion will follow the services in the Vestry.

Rabbi Noveck Plans Israeli Night, Nov. 9th

On Friday evening, November 9th, Rabbi Noveck's topic will be "Does Israel have a Race Problem?" An open forum discussion will take place at an Oneg Shabbat following services.

All members of the congregation who have been to Israel are urged to come and exchange experiences and opinions formed during their trips.

Adult Education Opens Nov. 12th Rabbi to Lecture on Jewish History

The Adult Education program for this year will begin on Monday evening, November 12th. The major lecture series at 9:00 o'clock will be led by Rabbi Noveck on the theme: "Jewish History During the Past Century". The first lecture will be devoted to "The Jews in Russia up to the Soviet Revolution". The aim will be to furnish a picture of the world of our grandfathers, the background from which many of our parents and grandparents came, and the ideas they brought with them in intellectual baggage from the Old World. Rabbi Noveck's purpose is to give a background setting to enable us to understand better our contemporary American Jewish Community.

His other lectures will include: "The Rise of Yiddish Literature", "The Jews of Western Europe", "Forerunners of Modern Zionism", "Theodore Herzl and the Rise of the Zionist Movement" and "Judaism and Socialism".

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Representative Emanuel Celler will discuss: "THE JEW IN CONGRESS"

Saturday Morning, November 3rd ..... 10:00 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach

Friday Evening, November 9th ..... 8:30 P.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach: "DOES ISRAEL HAVE A RACE PROBLEM?"

Saturday Morning, November 10th ..... 10:00 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Michael Rosenberg

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from the desk of the Principal

The aims of Jewish Education are often expressed in most laudable and desirable accents, but the achievements of such an educational program are rarely evaluated. It is true that teachers' examinations, standardized tests and achievement tests, attempt to measure, with a degree of scientific accuracy, the educational accomplishments of our Religious School. These tests have their value, but sometimes no more than the traditional test given by grandfather when he opens the Siddur and says to the budding scholar, "Let me hear you read."

We recognize today, that the value of any educational program must be measured along a variety of lines. Can we evaluate the effects of the Bible stories that are told on Sunday by the teacher and then dramatized by the children? How do we judge the class projects that result in a personalized Rosh Hashanah card for mother and dad or in the construction of a class Succah? Evaluate, if you can, the Sabbath project which results in a gleaming white tablecloth, shiny candlesticks, a traditional chalah, and a "student father" who makes Kiddush after "mother" repeats the blessings over the candles.

What value can you see in the frequent greetings that may be heard outside of the school at dismissal time, "So long, Moshe" or more often, "Shalom, Moshe"?

Visit the Junior Congregation on Saturday morning. Watch the cantor as he approaches the ark to remove the Torah. Look at the faces of our youngsters as they fix their eyes upon the Torah, and repeat the Sh'ma together. Listen to the many requests by our congregants to be called to the Torah.

Measure, if you can, the 175 children who attend High Holy Day services at the Jewish Museum; the anxious post Bar Mitzvah boys who volunteer to serve as ushers; the many preparatory meetings by the students who conduct the service. Observe the attentive congregation captured by the two post-confirmants who deliver excellent sermons. Weigh in the balance, the unusual voluntary attendance of some sixty students at early morning Succoth service.

It is true that our children study Hebrew, history, customs and ceremonies, the prayer book and the Bible. They are required to follow a set course of study and meet our educational standards. However, we also recognize the need for the development of attitudes. Add to the work of the schools, the help given by the parent, who, in his home, sets a Jewish environment and you have young Jews and Jewesses growing in an American community and filled with a love, a desire and a pride in Judaism.

—MARTIN LEICHTLING

Book Month Exhibit At Jewish Museum

The Annual Book Month Exhibit has opened in the junior gallery of the Jewish Museum, 92nd St. and 5th Avenue, and will continue through January 2nd. As in previous years, it has been arranged by Temima Gezari, Director of the JEC Art Education Department.

The theme of the Exhibit will be "The World of Judah Leib Peretz" in observance of the centennial of Peretz's birth. The feature of the Exhibit will be an animated display depicting, through stories of Peretz, Jewish life in Eastern Europe during the last century. A running narration on a tape recorder will give the background for the Exhibit, so that every child attending will come away with a real understanding of the stories treated and the life they represent.

Class groups will visit the Exhibit. However, parents and students will find a family visit to the museum profitable, both to see the exhibit and for an opportunity to view the many other interesting items reflecting Jewish life which are on display in other rooms of the Museum.

School News

Junior Awards

The Metropolitan Council of the United Synagogue has announced that Junior Congregation Awards for the school year 1950-1951 have been granted to the following students of the Park Avenue Synagogue Religious School: Anthony Berns, Edward Curtiss, Eleanor Foa, Martin Gold, Alan Mehlman, Sheldon Polsky, Lee Reichman, Gail Rosenkrantz, Theodore Sucker, Ellen Wimpfheimer.

Two of the students, Martin Gold and Edward Curtiss, have received Junior Congregation awards for two successive years.

Faculty Notes

The teaching of the High Holy Days in our school, particularly in the Primary Department, has been made both vivid and real through the efforts of two members of the faculty, Mrs. S. Scherman and Mrs. Vivian Finkel.

They attended a seminar and workshop on Teaching the High Holydays conducted on four successive Friday mornings by the Jewish Education Committee, and they shared their knowledge of methods, approaches and available materials with the other staff members.

Succoth Luncheon

On October 21st the oldest teen-age group in the Synagogue held their Succoth luncheon. The program consisted of a Kiddush in the Succoth followed by a feast of bagels and lox and sandwiches. Immediately following the meal the group elected permanent officers. The meeting, ending with a social, was most enjoyable for the entire group.

This meeting followed the Succoth luncheon conducted by our intermediate group. The meeting was concluded with the showing of a full length film.

All the teen-age groups are planning a full program for November. Young people who are not as yet affiliated with the Youth Department are asked to contact Mr. Sanford Hahn at the Religious School office.

Rabbi Kertzer to Speak To Parents Association

At the opening meeting of the Executive Board of the Parents Association, plans were discussed for a very active season.

The first event scheduled is a dessert luncheon to be held on October 29th at 1 P. M. in the Vestry of the Synagogue in honor of the mothers of children who are entering the Religious School for the first time. It is hoped that all newcomers will avail themselves of the opportunity to attend the luncheon and to meet the members of the Executive Board.

On November 14th, the first open meeting of the Parents Association will take place. The highlight of the evening will be a speech by Rabbi Morris N. Kertzer on: "Our Place in the Community." He will also discuss the function of the Synagogue as an aid to the social development of the child. Teachers of the Religious School will be present in order to give teachers and parents an opportunity to meet.

Another date which should be of interest to parents is November 11th. On that day, the annual Book Fair will open and continue through Wednesday evening, November 14th. Parents will be able to purchase books on Jewish life and thought as well as record albums of Jewish music. These will make very suitable gifts. Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer, Chairman of the Fair and her Committee, plan to arrange an excellent exhibit and an interesting program for children and adults.

These are events which most parents will not want to miss. Please make a note of these dates and be with us on these occasions.

For the guidance of those who have recently moved into our community, we list below the neighborhood butcher shops that are under the supervision of the Park East Kashruth Board:

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EMANUEL ROSENTHAL
Executive Secretary

Mazel Tov

TO Cantor and Mrs. David Putterman on their Wedding Anniversary, November 1st.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Alex E. Arnstein on their 21st Wedding Anniversary, November 6th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Leo Friedman on their 41st Wedding Anniversary, November 6th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Herman Friedman on their 35th Wedding Anniversary, November 7th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Julian Jacobs on their 19th Wedding Anniversary, November 11th.

TO Mrs. Hattie Weinberger on her 78th Birthday, November 16th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Fredrick W. Greenfield on the Bar Mitzvah of their grandson, November 3rd, in Stamford, Connecticut.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Harry Green on the Birth of a grandson.

TO Mrs. A. J. Lewis on the Birth of a granddaughter, Amy Lee Phillips.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Abe Rosenberg on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Michael on November 10th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Kaplan on their 35th Wedding Anniversary, October 29th.

TO Mr. Charles Weill on his 84th Birthday, October 25th.

TO Mr. Paul Smolian on the Marriage of his daughter, Helene Bernice to Mr. Saul Levy.

TO Dr. and Mrs. Samuel Kulkin on the Marriage of their son, Edward to Miss Mary Greenberger, November 4th.

27 New Contributors To Steinberg Memorial

In past issues, the list of contributors to the Milton Steinberg Memorial Fund has appeared in its entirety. The following are more recent contributors, whose names have not appeared before.

In a later issue, the complete list will be published again.

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Mrs. Jennie Wener

Young Marrieds Meet For Social Eve Nov. 13th

The next meeting of the Young Marrieds Group will take place on November 13th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Riemer, 14 West 10th Street. It is to be a social evening, and all Young Marrieds are invited to an evening of games, cards and congenial company.

At the last meeting of the group, Dr. and Mrs. Stanley Greenwald, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Kieval, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Schlesinger and Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Friedman were welcomed as new members.

Plans were made for a cocktail party to be held on December 2nd, and a trip to the Jewish Museum sometime in December.

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There will be a special course this year, "Psychology and Religion", given by Dr. Sidney Kosofsky on Monday evenings at 8:00 P.M. This course is particularly adapted for parents and the Young Married groups. Some of the topics which will be discussed will be: "Teaching the Idea of God to Children", "Teaching the Jewish Child to Face Anti-Semitism", "The Problem of Intermarriage", "Jewish Holidays and Festivals" and "The Mature Jewish Personality". This course will continue through March 24th.

In addition the following courses are offered:

8:00 to 9:00 P.M. Monday evenings:

Cantor Putterman—Choral Group and Jewish Music

Hebrew — Elementary, Intermediate and Advanced classes

Yiddish — Elementary class for beginners

Jewish Literature

Professor Albert Salomon — "The Jewish Novel; An Element in Jewish Renascence". This course will include discussions of books as: Maurice Samuel's "The Prince of the Ghetto", Sholem Asch's "Moses" and Milton Steinberg's "As a Driven Leaf".

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Questionnaires have been mailed to every member of the Synagogue, requesting certain vital statistics and attitudes towards various aspects of Synagogue life.

If you have not received a questionnaire, please call the Synagogue office, SAcramento 2-8765 and request one. If you have already received one, and did not mail it back, please do so immediately. You will be making a helpful contribution to your Synagogue by your cooperation.

Jewish Theology

In January five special talks will be delivered on the theme of Jewish Theology under the title "Milton Steinberg Lectures in Jewish Theology." Rabbi Philip Bernstein, Dr. Leo Baeck and Professor Abraham Heschel will be some of the speakers in this series.

America Judaism

In February and March, a course entitled "The Rise and Development of American Judaism" will be given with Rabbi Noveck inaugurating the series of seven lectures. Other speakers will be Professor Hyman Grinstein, Rabbi Mordecai Waxman and Dr. Abraham Duker.

These courses and classes are designed to bring to the membership of the Synagogue and to the general community, instruction in Hebrew, the history and literature of the Jews and the basic values of Jewish religion. Each person may choose one of the seven courses offered from 8:00 to 9:00 P.M. and attend the major lecture series from 9:00 to 10:00 P.M.

These lectures are open to the entire community. Each session ends with a special collation so that members of the classes may get to know each other better. Come and bring your friends.

Yizkor Elohim

LESTER FREIRICH
son of Mrs. Bertha Freirich

JOAN GARFINKEL
daughter of Mrs. S. Garfinkel

Opening Dance Set For Junior Leaguers

On Sunday afternoon, November 4th, from 3 to 6:30 p.m., the Junior League will hold its Opening Dance. Miss Joyce Schneider, and Mr. Russell Richmond, co-chairmen of the affair, announce that once again Jeno Bartel and his orchestra will provide the music. The funds raised by the $1.50 admission will be used to further the philanthropic work of the group.

The opening meeting of the Junior League for this year, was held on Thursday evening, October 25th. Justice Herman Hoffman spoke on "Fair Play and the West Point Cadet." He was well qualified to discuss this topic, being Co-chairman and Presiding Officer of the West Point Investigation.

Justice Hoffman, a member of the Park Avenue Synagogue, is a Past Grand Master of the Independent Order of Brith Abraham and former President of the New York Criminal and Civil Courts Association. He was introduced by Mr. Victor Herwitz, Chairman of the Synagogue Religious School Board.

Men's Club Plans Thanksgiving Fete

The Men's Club will celebrate Thanksgiving with a Thanksgiving Festival to be held in the Vestry on Tuesday evening, November 27th. Mr. Milton Sivek, 2nd Vice-President of the Club, is Chairman of the evening's presentation. Details will appear in a subsequent BULLETIN. All men are urged to make note of this date.

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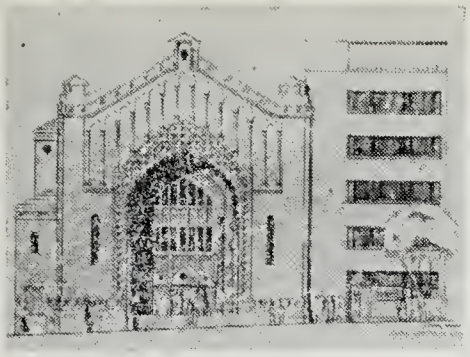

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Friday Evening, November 16th
8:30 P.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach:
"AMERICANISM AND JUDAISM — ARE THEY COMPATIBLE?"

Gold, Fizdale to Star At Donor Luncheon

Arthur Gold and Robert Fizdale, well known duo-pianists, will highlight the program, as announced by Mrs. Edward Peiper, the Program Chairman, at the Sisterhood Donor Luncheon on Tuesday, December 4th, in the Grand Ballroom of the Astor Hotel.

Messrs. Gold and Fizdale made their New York debut in 1941. Since then they have appeared in recital and orchestral programs throughout the United States and the major musical centers of Europe.

They have been interviewed and photographed by leading magazines and newspapers throughout the country. Harpers magazine wrote of them as: "Perfect ensemble and discriminating musical taste have carried Arthur Gold and Robert Fizdale to the top of the current list of two piano teams." In the October 13th issue of Cue, their pictures appeared in the "Forecasts" column announcing their premiere of a new work on December 10th. Virgil Thomson of the HERALD TRIBUNE describes their performance: ". . . Duo-pianism reaches heights hitherto unknown to the arts."

Mrs. Peiper has added that, due to contractual commitments, she is not at liberty to divulge the names of the other artists to appear at this time. However, she promises a program as brilliant as those Sisterhood has enjoyed in the past.

It is suggested that all checks and requests for seating for the luncheon be sent, at once, to Mrs. William Karmiol, 400 East 58th Street, New York 22, N. Y. Additional books may be obtained from Mrs. Irwin Rome, REgent 7-1224.

Rabbi Eisenstein to Speak on "The Faith of America"

Replacing the services usually held on Thanksgiving morning, Thanksgiving Services will take place on Friday evening, November 23rd at 8:30 P.M. Rabbi Ira Eisenstein, of the Society for the Advancement of Judaism, will be the guest speaker. His topic will be "The Faith of America," which is the title of a new book containing a collection of services designed especially for American Holidays.

"The Faith of America" was edited by Dr. Mordecai Kaplan and Dr. Eugene Kohn of The Society for the Advancement of Judaism, and Professor J. Paul Williams of Mt. Holyoke College. In discussing the "Faith of America," Rabbi Eisenstein will trace the Development of the Religion of Democracy; the first attempt to express a common religious faith for all Americans, regardless of creed.

RABBI IRA EISENSTEIN

Mr. Louis Untermeyer To Address Sisterhood

On Tuesday afternoon, November 20th, in celebration of Book Week, Mr. Louis Untermeyer will speak on "What Americans Read and Why." Mr. Untermeyer is one of the great names in contemporary literature. He is one of America's great poets, and one of our greatest interpreters of culture and its meaning for our times. Sisterhood invites everyone to come and bring their friends.

At the luncheon meeting which was held Tuesday, October 31st, every Sister-

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Rabbi Will Lecture On Yiddish Literature

The topic of the major lecture on November 19th at 9:00 P.M. will be "The Rise of Yiddish Literature". Rabbi Noveck will discuss in particular, the works of Sholom Aleichem, Mendele Mocher Sforin and Peretz. This will be the second in the series on "Jewish History During the Past Century." The first lecture was devoted to "The Jews in Russia up to the Soviet Revolution."

On Monday evening, November 26th, Rabbi Noveck will discuss "The Jews of Western Europe." He will trace the history of the Jews in France, Germany and Italy during the last half of the 19th century, and will describe the development of Jewish life, particularly in France and Italy during the period since the first World War.

Rabbi Noveck will also deal with the present status of Jewry in those countries, based upon observations made during his trip this past summer.

In the 8:00 o'clock lecture series, Professor Salomon will lecture on Franz Kafka's "The Castle," November 12th

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from the desk of the Men's Club President

Our Men's Club is now embarked on a campaign to bring new members into the fold. It is therefore fitting for me to discuss the policies and functions of this organization. It is a matter of great wonder to me that I have from time to time come across a number of my colleagues on the Board of Trustees of the Synagogue who feel that a Men's Club is not essential to congregational life. Some contend that the existence of a Men's Club only causes an overlapping and duplication of activities. Some may even go so far as to say that a Men's Club is merely a social organization utterly devoid of Jewish content and program. I believe that such charges are examples of shortsightedness beyond belief.

It is my opinion that the primary object of a Men's Club is to dedicate itself toward building a strong American Jewry consecrated to Judaism as a vital force in the lives of our people and, being likewise a social arm of the Synagogue, its job is to widen its members' circle of acquaintances and strengthen the friendships within the congregation. The Men's Club, in short, puts flesh on the dry bones of a congregation by filling its building with content, life and activities.

All throughout history the Synagogue was the only Jewish organization that served the needs of the community, as the house of study, the house of prayer and the meeting house. But through the years, Jewish life became more complex and many organizations came into being to serve Jewish needs and Jewish interests. All valid Jewish communal organizations have their own rightful place and their own service to perform. But the Men's Club provides leadership both to the Synagogue and to the community. The Men's Club has provided not only Trustees, officers and committee chairmen for the Synagogue, but leaders for our political and charitable organizations as well. It is a workshop for wide awake men imbued with its spirit, awake to the needs of the whole community and working to shed the influence of the Synagogue upon it. We hear on all sides that the Synagogue and the community need leadership. Close observation will disclose that the Men's Club can and does give leadership of the finest kind.

By its own rich program our Club has set a standard that may very well be an inspiration to other Jewish organizations. It can make them all feel that they are partners in the enrichment of Jewish life by strengthening the bonds that unite all Jews. Imbued with the spirit of Park Avenue Synagogue, our Club brings the message of the Synagogue to the Jewish men of the community, especially to those who have become estranged from it. By comradeship and companionship, these men can be brought into the Synagogue through our Club and molded into vital, useful members of the community. We foster Jewish art, music, education and participation in all communal activities as an inexsaustible source of creative joy. Cordial relations between Jews and non-Jews are an absolute necessity for our welfare and happiness. By taking the initiative in inter-church, to say nothing of intra-synagogue activities through the National Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs, communal peace and harmony can be achieved without any violation of individuality or sacred traditions. Special projects which are dear to the hearts of our Club are: Men's Club Sabbath, Youth Leadership Award, Brotherhood Award to Jew or non-Jew who has done most in the field of racial and religious relations, a Man-of-the-Year Award, a Scholarship Fund, Vacations for the Underprivileged, Summer Day Camps and the Boy Scout Movement.

If all of the above objectives cannot be achieved now, we can at least strive to transmit this desire to those who follow us in office next year, or perhaps to the next generation, thus perpetuating Jewish life, culture, ideals and institutions, compatible always with the American way of life.

—JOSEPH HOWARD KATZ

Sabbath Observance Commission Formed

The United Synagogue is engaged in a national effort to strengthen Sabbath observance. A National Commission for the Revitalization of Sabbath Observance has been organized. Its purpose is to make the Sabbath relevant and functionful in the life of the individual, his home and his Synagogue.

Conservative Judaism cannot fulfill its function in the community without a deep appreciation and observance of the Sabbath which is the crucial center of the Jewish religious existence.

Each member of the family can contribute to the observance of the Sabbath rituals, ceremonies and songs. The mother with the lighting of the Sabbath candles and dressing the children in their finery, the father with his blessings for the children and his recitation of the Kiddush and the children with the singing of traditional melodies; each can contribute his share in celebration of the Sabbath and introduce observance into the home.

Saul Godwin Named Building Chairman

Mr. Benjamin Sack, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, has announced the appointment of a new Building Committee to consist of Saul Godwin, Chairman, Isidore M. Cohen, Associate Chairman, Nathan Appleman, Sanford H. Cohen; and Samuel Lemberg.

The Chairman expressed great hope in the ability of this strong Committee to carry out the desires of the entire Congregation. It is expected that additions thereto will be made consisting of the representatives of the various arms of the Synagogue, as well as individual members who would like to make a contribution of time and effort to carrying out its program.

Ezio Pinza to Perform For "Night of Stars"

"Night of Stars" is a function of the United Jewish Appeal. Mrs. Hattie Grossman, a member of the Park Avenue Synagogue, is the Chairman of the Women's division of "Night of Stars" which will be held on Monday evening, November 19th, at Madison Square Garden.

Ezio Pinza, star of opera, stage and motion pictures, has agreed to perform at the forthcoming 18th annual "Night of Stars." Proceeds of the show will go to the United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York to further the work of rescue, relief, rehabilitation, and Israel resettlement overseas and of refugee aid and the defense of human rights at home and abroad.

Mr. Pinza's appearance at "Night of Stars" will be in the nature of a complete half hour concert. He will sing songs from his operas, from "South Pacific" and the films. Mr. Pinza joins a glittering galaxy of other stars of stage, screen, radio and television who will appear at "Night of Stars," this year.

In accepting the invitation to appear at "Night of Stars," Mr. Pinza said: "I have been deeply impressed with the tremendous struggle being waged in Israel to establish a country for homeless Jews all over the world. No one with a sense of decency and fair play could ignore the heartbreaking task and deny it assistance at this time of great need. If in my small way I can be instrumental in giving a lift to this noble cause, I am ready to do so."

The Synagogue has reserved a block of choice seats which can be obtained at the Synagogue office, 50 East 87th Street. All members are urged to take advantage of this opportunity to enjoy themselves and, at the same time, help Jews throughout the world.

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ROGER IRWIN GOLDSTEIN

son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Goldstein, grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph I. Lubin and Mr. and Mrs. N. S. Goldstein

JACOB RITTER

father of Mr. Saul Ritter

Mazel Tov

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TO Mr. and Mrs. Abraham N. Geller on their 22nd Wedding Anniversary, November 19th.

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TO Mr. and Mrs. Louis Greenstein on their 35th Wedding Anniversary, November 21st.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Robert Robinson on the Birth of a son, Kenneth S., and to his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Sack.

TO Dr. and Mrs. Felix Jacobi on their 40th Wedding Anniversary, November 21st.

TO Dr. and Mrs. Marvin G. Robinson on their 3rd Wedding Anniversary, November 25th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Davidson on their 26th Wedding Anniversary, November 25th.

TO Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Druss on their 21st Wedding Anniversary, November 27th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. David T. Lotwin on their 30th Wedding Anniversary, November 16th.

TO Mrs. Helene Bauer and Mr. Philip Lee Shapiro of Easton, Pa., on their engagement.

TO Mr. and Mrs. L. Levy on the Marriage of their daughter, Hortense to Mr. Sidney J. Rubin.

Junior Congregation Council Elects Officers for Season

The Synagogue Council of the Junior Congregation recently elected its officers for the school year of 1951-52.

Michael Rosen, president, and Roger Waldman, vice-president, will head the Council which consists of two elected delegates from each class in the Hebrew Department. The council plans to arrange for a number of school affairs, publish a newspaper, allocate the Keren Ami contribution and generally provide for the welfare of the students of the school.

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First Joint Meeting Held For Youth Department

The first joint meeting of the three groups in our Youth Department was held on November 11th, under the auspices of the Youth Council. The meeting, led by Sylvia Schneider, featured the installation of officers from all groups and a speech of welcome to members by Rabbi Simon Noveck. A social and the serving of refreshments concluded the affair.

Officers who were installed were Jack Kaplan, president; Judy Kursch, vice-president; Michele Kaye, secretary; and Carl Seligson, treasurer—all from the oldest group. President, treasurer and secretary of the Confirmation Group are Jonathan Freedman, Barton Hoexter and Martin Gelfand. The officers from the youngest group are Lee B. Reichman, president; Eleanor Foa, vice-president; and Alice Heyman, secretary.

Future plans for the oldest group include a Thanksgiving Dance on Wednesday, November 21st at 8 P.M. and a Debate with Congregation Rodeph Sholom on December 2nd. The youngest group will hold their Thanksgiving Dance on Saturday. November 17th at 7:30 P.M.

Young people who are not as yet affiliated with the Youth Department are asked to contact Mr. Sanford Hahn at the Religious School office.

The Young Marrieds will hold their Cocktail Party on Sunday afternoon, December 2nd in the Green Room of the Hotel Sutton, 330 East 56th Street, from 3:00 to 6:00 P.M. This will be the group's first social affair of the season. Tickets are priced at $5 per couple which includes food, music, and "all the liquor you can drink."

Checks for reservations should be mailed, at once, to Mr. Seymour Finkelstein, treasurer, 737 Park Avenue, New York City, N. Y. All Young Marrieds are invited to attend this gala party.

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and S. J. Agnon's "In the Heart of the Seas," November 19th. Dr. Sidney Kosofsky will discuss "Psychology and Religion—Two Strategies for the Good Life" on November 12th, and "The Psychology of Jewish Ritual and Home Observance," November 19th.

The Hebrew courses and Cantor Putterman's Choral group will meet for their regular 8:00 o'clock classes.

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Parents' Group Sponsors Book Fair

Stanley Burns, Ventriloquist, to Appear on Special Program

As a result of revised plans, the annual Book Fair sponsored by the Parents' Association will be held in the Vestry of the Synagogue on Sunday, November 18th and will continue through Tuesday, November 20th.

In connection with this event, a special program has been arranged for Monday, November 19th at 3:15 P.M. At that time, Mr. Stanley Burns, a well known ventriloquist, will be present to entertain the guests. Mr. Burns has appeared on programs at the White House, the NEW YORK TIMES Book Fair, Yeshivas and colleges and on many radio and television shows.

STANLEY BURNS

He is the only artist in his field who has dedicated himself to teaching the values of the Jewish way of life. He blends his Jewish background with a distinctive humor which makes his program easily absorbed by children. Parents are invited to bring their children and friends to enjoy this unusually original and humorous performance.

The Book Fair will feature the most widely discussed books on Jewish life and thought as well as a choice of record albums of Jewish music.

Everyone is urged to come and bring friends as the Committee under the Chairmanship of Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer has planned an exceptionally entertaining program.

Men's Club Will View Charlie Chaplin Film

The November meeting of the Men's Club will take place on Tuesday evening, November 27th at 8:15 P.M. in the Vestry. This meeting will embark the Club on a drive to gather new members into its fold.

The accent of the meeting will be sociability and camaraderie. Mr. Milton M. Sivek, the Chairman of the evening's program, has planned an unusual event for this occasion. There will be shown, "The Charlie Chaplin Festival" film with sound effects and music. This hour film ran for six weeks at the Modern Museum of Art and is a compilation of the best of the Chaplin movies.

A traveling accordionist will supply the informal music during the evening and Jack Boorstein, the genial "maitre d'" has promised some outstanding refreshments for the occasion. All men are cordially invited to attend this meeting and to bring with them a prospective member."

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

The editor would appreciate any comments, suggestions and criticisms that the BULLETIN *readers can offer. If there is anything not included in the* BULLETIN *that you would like to appear, such as a book corner, glimpses of active members, or any phase of Synagogue life which you feel could be covered more completely, please notify us.*

Please address your letters to the editor of the BULLETIN, *in care of the Park Avenue Synagogue, 50 East 87th Street, New York, N. Y.*

Sisterhood

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hood member received beautiful fall corsages with the compliments of Mr. David Bielefeld. Mr. Bielefeld also announced his generous offer to supply flowers to the Synagogue each Friday evening for the year 1951-1952, in memory of the beloved Rabbi Steinberg.

REMEMBER TO OBSERVE THE SABBATH!

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GOLD and FIZDALE

Martin Cherkasky Will Occupy Pulpit

Friday evening, November 30th, the Federation Sabbath will be held. Martin Cherkasky, Director of Montefiore Hospital, will speak to the congregation on the vital and current theme; "The Teenager and Narcotics".

Mr. Cherkasky is a dynamic speaker, and his message is of great importance for the congregation and for the community. Mr. Milton Weill, President of the Federation will introduce the speaker. Congregants are urged to avail themselves of this unique opportunity to hear a discussion on a subject that has aroused the American community in recent weeks.

Donor Luncheon This Week!

Miss Jean Madeira, contralto of the Metropolitan Opera Company will be featured on the program at the Sisterhood Donor Luncheon on Tuesday, December 4th, in the Grand Ballroom of the Astor Hotel.

Miss Madeira, who made her debut in 1948, appeared twice during the opening week of the Metropolitan Opera. She starred as Maddelena in "Rigoletto" and as Marcellina in "The Marriage of Figaro". Despite her heavy schedule she has consented to appear at the luncheon. Among her other roles have been the lead in "Carmen", Delilah in Samson and Delilah", Azucena in "Il Trovatore", Amneris in "Aida" and Suzuki in "Madame Butterfly". Recently she toured Europe in Menotti's "The Medium" as Madame Flora.

As previously announced by Mrs. Edward Peiper, Program Chairman, Robert Gold and Arthur Fizdale, well known duo-pianists will appear on the program. We are fortunate to be able to hear them before their concert in Town Hall on December 19th.

Mrs. Peiper added that those who attend the luncheon will be privileged to enjoy other artists whose names she is not at liberty to divulge at this time. A brilliant program and a wonderful time is in store for everyone. Please send your checks, at once, to Mrs. William Karmiol, 400 East 58th Street, New York, N. Y.

JEAN MADEIRA

Attendence Record Set For Adult Education

A record attendance was made at the opening of the Adult Education Program for this season. Over 250 persons heard Rabbi Noveck lecture on "The Struggle for Jewish Emancipation in Russia" at 9:00 o'clock, and Professor Kosofsky's class in "Psychology and Religion" had listeners standing in the hallway to hear. This course will be transferred to the Vestry where accomodations are adequate. Professor Salomon's course, and Hebrew and Choral classes were also well attended.

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday Evening, November 30th.....8:30 P.M.
Federation Sabbath
Martin Cherkasky will discuss: "The Teen-ager and Narcotics"

Saturday Morning, December 1st.....10:00 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach:

Friday Evening, December 7th.....8:30 P.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach:
"Do Jews Have Special Behavior Traits?"

Saturday Morning, December 8th.....10:00 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of David I. Penner

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from the desk of the Sisterhood President

All of us are aware of the genuine desire of so many of our people today to return to the Jewish fold, to identify themselves with Jewish religion, and its traditions and ideals. This trend in Jewish life can be see from the fact that there is a waiting list to join our congregation and from the large membership that we, in Sisterhood, proudly boast of today.

Sisterhood plays a vital role in the life of the women in our congregation. It offers an opportunity for self-expression and an outlet for literary and philanthropic work. It helps us to translate Jewish ideals into a living practical Judaism. It offers fun and diversion, companionship, inspiration and the sense of belonging that comes from real effort along positive lines.

Webster defines a Sisterhood as a society of women united in one faith. The women of the Park Avenue Synagogue are united in our faith in God, in the future of Jewish life in this country and in the future of our Synagogue. We have dedicated ourselves to the new educational building soon to be constructed. We are determined that this memorial to our late beloved Milton Steinberg will become a living symbol of what he stood for and that the new school and community building will become a reality.

We have planned what we hope will be an exciting series of programs for this year. While in the past Sisterhood has followed the serious lecture type of program, during 1951-52 the program committee is offering a series on the Jewish arts, music and dance. Mr. Louis Untermeyer, noted poet and lecturer will launch this series on November 20th.

On December 4th Sisterhood will hold another of its Donor Luncheons that have won such high praise from all those who have attended them. This year the musical program preceding the luncheon will have a pattern that other groups may follow. Mrs. Irwin Rome as Chairman of the luncheon and Mrs. Edward Peiper as Chairman of program are planning an afternoon that will be long remembered.

The December meeting of Sisterhood will take place at the Jewish Theological Seminary with which, as a Conservative Congregation, we are affiliated. We shall have lunch there, listen to some of the world renowned people associated with Seminary and get a "behind-the-scenes" picture of the life of the students and the work of this great institution.

Sisterhood sponsors many other activities from our regular work for the Jewish blind and Federation to the mammoth bazaar we are planning for the Purim season. May I urge all of you who belong to Sisterhood to try to participate in one or more of these activities. Your efforts will be a worthwhile contribution to your Synagogue and to Jewish life.

—HELEN WIMPFHEIMER

letter to the editor

For years I have had the desire to learn all about Jewish History, Jewish Civilization, its languages and its cultural aspects, and have pursued its study on my own time. However, Monday night, my first night of Adult Education at our Temple I was thrilled to see so many people of all ages with the desire and ambition to learn of Jewish Culture.

Learning five simple sentences in Hebrew made me at once feel like a real Jew and gave me a feeling of belonging. I was delighted and proud to see the efficiency with which the program was executed.

The main lecture hall with so many people in it, waiting eagerly for our magnetic Rabbi Noveck was the "piece de resistance" of the evening for me.

Hereafter my Monday nights are all reserved for Adult Education at the Synagogue.

An enthusiastic
Student

SCHOOL NEWS

Museum Trip

On December 9th, Classes 3A and 3B of the Primary Department of the Religious School, accompanied by their teachers and class mothers, will visit the Jewish Museum. The students will have an opportunity to visit the permanent exhibit and, also, see the special one in honor of the 100th anniversary of the birth of the writer, Judah Leib Peretz.

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Hebrew Study

Two post-confirmants, Sylvia Schneider and Michele Kaye are attending a special class for students of advanced Hebrew on Wednesday in the Rabbi's study. The students, under the direction of Mr. Aaron Giat, are studying Hebrew, Humash and an introduction to the Talmud.

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Miss L. Rubee, the educational consultant for the Jewish Education Committee, recently visited Classes I and II of the Hebrew Department. She was impressed with the extent of the students' knowledge and by their eager interest in the study of Hebrew.

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Jewish National Fund

The students of the Religious School are completing their annual Tag Day drive for the Jewish National Fund. The money collected this year will be used in a huge reclamation effort. The Huleh swamps, a 60,000 dunam tract of land in Israel will be drained and converted from a region of waste and pestilence into a tract of land with 2000 Jewish farms and hundreds of Jewish settlements.

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Birthday Celebrations

November brings many birthday celebrations to many students in our Religious School.

Happy birthday to: Stephen Black, Sandra Cohen, Gloria Duke, Michael Fleisher, Martha Gerken, Susan Linda Herbert, Bruce Kogan, Jeffrey Loria, Jonathan Ostriker, Alan Shapiro, Sara Jane Sheldon, Susan Wimpfheimer, Ruth Judith Wyler.

Yizkor Elohim

LENA HEYMANN
sister of George, Nathan, Oscar and William Heyman

MARTY SHIVITZ
brother of Mrs. Benjamin Gross

The Parents' Association will conduct the Friday evening service at the Park Avenue Synagogue on December 14th. Mrs. J. Hoexter is Chairman in charge of the arrangements.

After the service, a discussion forum will take place in the Vestry. There will also be an exhibit of Workshop displays. An Oneg Shabbat will follow.

First Ritual Meeting Scheduled for Dec. 5th

The first meeting of the Ritual Committee will take place Wednesday evening, December 5th at 8:30 P.M. in the Trustees Room of the Synagogue.

Among the problems to be discussed at this meeting are: evaluation of High Holy Day Services and Suggestions for 1952; New Jewish Wedding Music; Program for the Revitalization of the Sabbath, and Standards for Bar Mitzvah and Wedding Celebrations.

Youth Groups Make Plans For Gala Holiday Season

After much deliberation, the members of the oldest group in our Youth Department decided to name their group after the famous medieval Jewish poet and philosopher of the Golden Age in Spain, Judah ha-Levi. The group, henceforth to be known as the Judah ha-Levi Society, held a very successful Thanksgiving Dance on November 21st. On December 2nd, they plan to visit Congregation Rodeph Sholom to engage one of their youth groups in a debate.

The youngest group is still in search of an appropriate name. In order to find one, they are conducting a contest. Their program for December includes a combined luncheon, visit to the Eternal Light program, and an R.C.A. tour on December 2nd and a gala Hanukkah Dance on December 18th.

On December 2nd three delegates from the Youth Department will attend a meeting of United Synagogue Youth, the national Teenage Youth Organization of the Conservative Movement, to be held at Temple B'nai Jeshurun. At this meeting delegates from synagogues in the metropolitan area will formulate plans for the big U.S.Y. Charter Convention to be held at Columbia University between December 25th and December 27th.

New Contributors Add To Steinberg Memorial

In past issues, the list of contributors to the Milton Steinberg Memorial Fund has appeared in its entirety. The following are more recent contributors, whose names have not appeared before.

In a later issue the complete list will be published again.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Becker
Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Haas
Dr. and Mrs. Felix Jacobi
Dr. and Mrs. Sylvan Keiser
Mr. and Mrs. J. Kramon
Mr. and Mrs. A. Mendelson
Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Schacht
Mr. and Mrs. Philip Tuchman
Mrs. Henri Weiller
Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy A. Weisburger

Mazel Tov

TO Mr. and Mrs. Edward Kaye on their 25th Wedding Anniversary, November 5th.

TO Dr. and Mrs. David P. Waldman on their 40th Wedding Anniversary, December 20th.

TO Dr. and Mrs. Samuel Wimpfheimer on their 15th Wedding Anniversary December 22nd.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Allan on their 25th Wedding Anniversary, December 26th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Winston on the Birth of a Grandson, Lawrence Bradley Koslow on October 24th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. L. Levy on the engagement of their daughter, Jo to Mr. Norman Platek.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Howard Katz on their 18th Wedding Anniversary, December 31st.

TO Stephen Howe on his 18th Birthday, November 11th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Mortimer D. Milheiser on their 29th Wedding Anniversary, November 25th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Bernstein on their Wedding Anniversary, December 7th.

TO Dr. and Mrs. Adolph Weiss on their 31st Wedding Anniversary, December 7th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Fred Finn on their 31st Wedding Anniversary, December 7th.

TO Dr. and Mrs. Abraham Penner on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, David, December 8th.

On Sunday afternoon, December 2nd, from 3:00 to 6:00 o'clock, Rabbi Noveck will hold his annual New Members Tea at his home, 221 East 78th Street, for all new members who have joined the congregation since the summer.

The officers of the congregation will be on hand, with the Rabbi, to greet the new members. All new members of the Synagogue, whether they have received an official invitation or not, are invited to attend the tea.

Rabbi Noveck Addresses Many Community Groups

On Tuesday evening, December 11th, Rabbi Noveck will address the students of P.S. 612. He will speak on the subject, "Life in Israel Today".

On November 1st, Rabbi Noveck was the guest speaker before the Parents Association of the Community Hebrew School of Englewood, New Jersey. His topic was "The Future of Judaism in America".

On November 14th he delivered the invocation at a reception tendered by the New York Board of Rabbis in honor of Milton Weill, President of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies and a member of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

On Thursday evening, November 29th, Rabbi Noveck was the guest speaker at the Junior League. His theme was "The Writings of Milton Steinberg."

Parents' Association Hold First Open Meeting

Those who braved the inclement weather to attend the first open meeting of the Parents' Association on the evening of November 14th, heard Rabbi Morris N. Kertzer discuss his experiences in connection with the inter-faith movement.

Rabbi Kertzer spoke on the importance of providing children with a keen insight into their Jewish heritage so that they can apply these ideals and beliefs to their every day lives as Americans. He said that Judaism must supply such spiritual resources and moral insight to the child in his Religious School training that it will enable him to improve his moral fiber and to meet his responsibilities in the American way of life.

Young Marrieds Party Set for December 2nd

The Young Marrieds will hold their Cocktail Party on Sunday, December 2nd in the Green Room of the Hotel Sutton, 330 East 56th Street, from 3:00 to 6:00 P.M. This will be the group's first social affair of the season, and tickets are priced at $6 per couple. Food, music, and "all the liquor you can drink" are included in the admission.

Tickets for reservations should be mailed, at once, to Mr. Seymour Finkelstein, treasurer, 737 Park Avenue, New York City, N. Y.

Cantor David Putterman will be the guest speaker at the next meeting of the Young Marrieds on Tuesday, December 11th in the Vestry of the Synagogue. His topic will be "The Story of the Macabees". All Young Marrieds are invited to attend.

Remember Your Federation For the Thanksgiving Season

This is the Thanksgiving season. The harvest is in and our holiday spirit embraces all in our community. Let us remember the 480,000 troubled neighbors who turn each year to the 116 agencies of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies of New York

This year Federation must raise 5½ million dollars more than last year because of spiraling costs and constantly growing demands for the agencies' services. To do this everyone must make an increased gift.

Our own Federation Chairman is Mrs. Henry Howe. Respond generously.

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PROFESSOR PAUL WEISS

Men's Club to Hear Professor Paul Weiss

The next meeting of the Men's Club will take place on Tuesday evening, December 18th at 8:15 P.M. Following the regular short business meeting, the Club will present Professor Paul Weiss of Yale University.

Professor Weiss is a distinguished philosopher and lecturer whose ability to meet squarely the problems of mankind keep him in constant demand for lectures before his colleagues and undergraduates. At the University he is constantly surrounded by students discussing questions of religious belief, race relations and ethics, questions that arise perpetually to plague the minds of young and old alike.

The Yale Philosopher is nationally recognized as the author and editor of several important philosophical works. His most recent book is "Man's Freedom". Previously, he had written, amongst others, "Reality", "Nature and Man" and "The Philosophy of Whitehead".

Professor Weiss recently returned from Israel where he delivered a series of lectures as a member of the Conference of Science and Religion. He has chosen for his subject before the Men's Club. "The Weakness of Power", a philosopher analyses world problems. A discussion period will follow and refreshments will be served. All men are invited to attend and to bring a friend.

Adult Education

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Monday evening December 3rd at 9:00 P.M. Rabbi Noveck will discuss "The Renaissance of Hebrew Literature". He will describe the rebirth of Hebrew as a spoken language and deal with the writings of Hayim Nahman Bialik and Tchernichovski.

On December 10th, his topic will be "The Rise of Yiddish Literature" and he will discuss in particular, the works of Sholom Aleichem, Mendele Mocher Sforin and Peretz.

Professor Kosofsky's topics for December 3rd and 10th at 8:00 P.M. will be "The Jewish Child and His Non-Jewish Environment" and "Teaching the Jewish Child to Face Anti-Semitism".

Professor Salomon will discuss Milton Steinberg's "As a Driven Leaf" on December 3rd at 8:00 a'clock, and Sholem Asch's "Moses" on December 10th.

Hebrew and Choral classes will continue as usual. The Yiddish conversation class scheduled to open on November 12th was postponed until November 19th when it officially opened at 8:00 o'clock.

Sunday and Monday evening, December 9th and 10th there will be an Adult Education Conference at the Jewish Theological Seminary. Five delegates from the Park Avenue Synagogue will represent the congregation.

Parents Group Hold Luncheon For Mothers of New Students

The Executive Board of the Parents' Association gave a dessert luncheon on November 5th in honor of the mothers of all children entering the Religious School for the first time.

The Vestry, with the long tables laden with sandwiches and cakes, was transformed into a scene of hospitality and good cheer. Mrs. Herman Helpern, Chairman of the Executive Board, welcomed the guests and introduced Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer, President of the Parents' Association.

Rabbi Noveck spoke of the importance of giving children emotional experiences through the enactment of symbolical ceremonies and the re-enactment of the drama of the Friday evening service.

Cantor David Putterman discussed the growing tendency to make the Sabbath more meaningful. He explained that the Sabbath could be enriched in the home by having the children join in the singing of folk songs, synagogue melodies, Palestinian songs, and by the playing of recordings of Jewish music.

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MARTIN BUBER TO OCCUPY PULPIT

Hanukah begins on Sunday evening, December 23rd. Light one candle on that evening and one additional candle each evening thereafter until December 30th. The last day of Hanukah is December 31st. Do not forget to give your children a gift each night of Hanukah.

Family Square Dance To Celebrate Hanukah

On December 23rd, at 8:00 P.M., in the Vestry Room, following the Candle Lighting services, in celebration of Hanukah, a Family Square Dance will take place. The Caller will be Ira Zasloff, teacher of Square Dance at the New York University School of Education. He will introduce, in addition to the usual numbers, the novelty of Palestinian folk dances, square dance style.

Casual clothes are in order, as it will be an informal affair. Bring your teenager and college progeny. Refreshments will be served, and an entertaining evening is planned for all.

Recess for Adult Classes

On Monday evening, December 17th, at 9:00 o'clock, Rabbi Noveck will give the last of the current series of lectures on Jewish History During the Past Century. His topic will be "The Jews of Western Europe". He will discuss the emergence of the Jews from the Italian Ghetto, the Rise of Modern Anti-Semitism in Germany and the development of the Modern French Jewish Community. In this lecture the Rabbi will draw upon his experiences and observations in Western Europe this summer, when he

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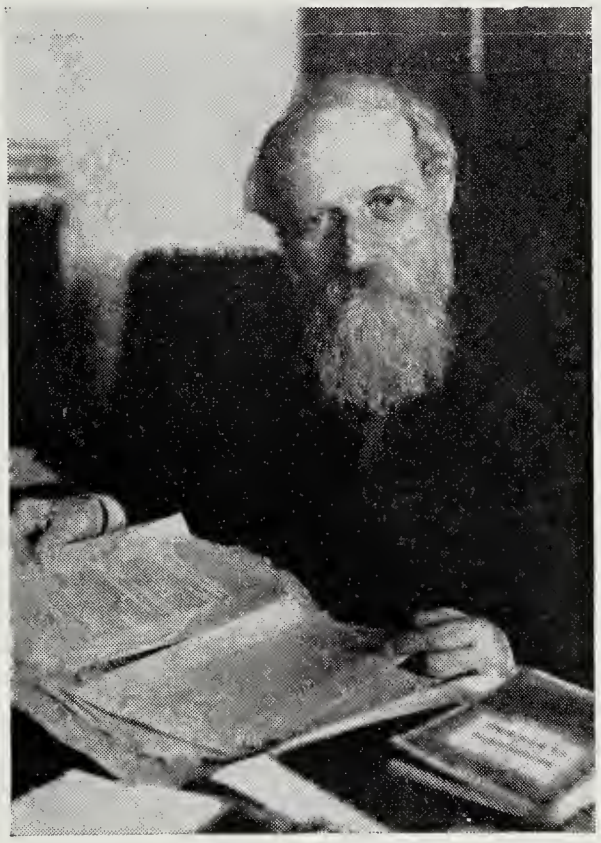
On Friday evening, December 21st at 8:30 P.M., the Park Avenue Synagogue will have the unique privilege of listening to Professor Martin Buber, world renowned philosopher and thinker from the Hebrew University in Israel. The Park Avenue Synagogue is the only congregation in New York that Professor Buber will address and every member is urged to avail himself of the opportunity to meet Professor Buber.



PROFESSOR MARTIN BUBER

Professor Buber, the grandson of the noted Jewish scholar, Solomon Buber, was born in Vienna in 1878. He studied at the Universities of Vienna, Leipzig, Berlin and Zurich. He became active as a Zionist political writer, and was editor of the Vienna *Welt* in 1901. Later, he became one of the founders of the *Judische Verlag*. From 1916 to 1924, he edited *Der Jude*, a publication which he founded and which became the leading organ of German-speaking Jewry. From 1923-33.

After the rise of Hitler in 1933, Professor Buber emigrated from Germany and went to Israel. In 1938, he became Professor of Social Philosophy at the Hebrew University.

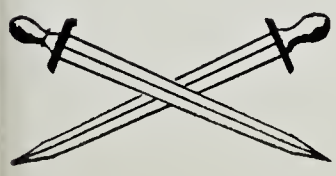
Professor Buber is most noted for his new interpretation of Hasidism, a philosophy which has had a profound influence on Western thought. He is the author of over twenty volumes dealing with various aspects of Jewish life. Among his significant works which have been translated into English are: *Tales of the Hasidism; I and Thou; Prophetic Faith;* and *Moses.*

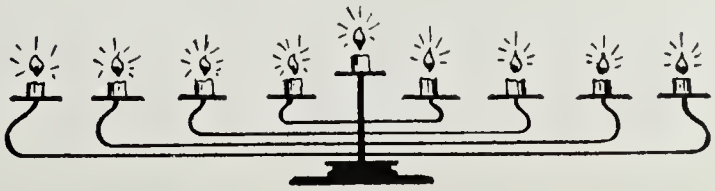
Professor Buber arrived in America on Oct. 31, 1951, to undertake a series of lectures as a Visiting Professor of Philosophy of The Jewish Theological Seminary of America. In January, 1952, he will journey to the University of Judaism, the Seminary's West Coast branch in Los Angeles, where he will teach at the Graduate School. He is expected to remain in America until the Spring of 1952.

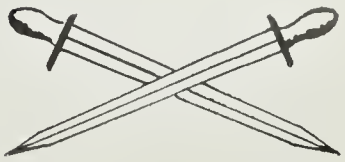
Rabbi Noveck to Speak On Martin Buber's Life

Friday evening, December 14th, at 8:30 P.M., Rabbi Noveck will speak on "Martin Buber — The Man and His Philosophy", in preparation for the following week when Martin Buber, the renowned Jewish Philosopher, will be the guest speaker at the Synagogue.

Rabbi Noveck will tell the life story of Professor Buber and give some insight into his philosophy of Neo-Hasidism and his contributions to modern day Jewish Theology.







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from the desk of the Cantor

One cannot possibly celebrate Hanukah without music. When the Maccabees enlisted the support of their co-religionists in their fight against the Greek oppressors they sang "Mi Chamocha Baelim Adonai," (Who is like unto Thee, O Lord). In victory they sang as they cleansed the Temple, purified the sanctuary, kindled lights in the Holy Courts, and appointed these eight days of Hanukah to give thanks and sing praises unto the name of God. Today as we kindle the Hanukah lights we sing the blessings, Mooztsur, Haneros Halolu, Mi Yemallel, Sov Sov Sevivon, etc. These joyful and stirring melodies will create a gay and festive mood in your home and will set the tone for the eight days of Hanukah.

This year Hanukah begins Sunday evening, December 23rd, with the kindling of the first candle. The entire family ought to participate in decorating the home with appropriate beautiful decorations and lights, which are available from your Synagogue or Jewish book dealer. The first evening and every evening thereafter the family gathers around the Hanukah Menorah and joins together in singing the blessings for the kindling of these lights. Gifts are exchanged. These should be of Jewish content and spirit such as beautiful Israeli works of art, books, recordings, religious objects, etc. Appropriate recordings could be used to help in these celebrations. Dreidel games (spinning tops) may be played and other games as well. The special delicacies which all may enjoy are the new Hanukah candies which are now being manufactured by some of our leading candy makers. Latkes (potato pancakes) are always a treat on Hanukah.

Hanukah coincides this year with Christmas. Your children will therefore be home from school. Take advantage of this opportunity and be together during this vacation period. Accent the Jewish aspect of Hanukah by visiting the Jewish Museum, the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, plays and concerts of Jewish interest, the Y.M.H.A., and by attending services. Arrange Hanukah parties at home.

One can best enjoy Jewish festivals by participating in its ceremonials and rituals thereby experiencing the beauty and richness implicit in the holiday. In so doing you will immeasurably enrich your own lives as well as the lives of your children. They will long remember and cherish these pleasurable experiences. Jewish gaiety emanates from Hanukah music for it is the festival of song and lights.

—DAVID PUTTERMAN

Students To Hold Hanukah Parties

The third annual Hanukah Party for the students of the Hebrew Department of the Religious School will take place on Saturday evening, December 22nd, 1951 from 5:30 to 8:30 P.M. in the vestry of the synagogue.

The festivities will open with the Havdalah performed by Rabbi Noveck and lighting of the Hanukah candles by the students in class I. After dinner, which will be served by the Parents' Association class mothers, the School Dramatics group will present a program of song and dance. A professional square dance caller will then lead the students in games and folk dancing.

The following morning, December 23rd, a Hanukah party will be held in each class of the Primary School. The children will eat the traditional latkes and have an opportunity to play many dreidel games.

The entire Hanukah program has been planned with the assistance of Mrs. Stanley Simon, Holiday Workshop chairman, and Mrs. Theodore A. Zucker, Class Mother chairman, and their committee members.

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL RE-OPENS

Hebrew Department
Wednesday, January 2nd

Junior Congregation
Saturday, January 5th

Primary Department
Sunday, January 6th

SCHOOL NEWS

The Judah HaLevi Society will hold a Hanukah party on December 23rd at 3:30 P.M. at the home of Miss Michele Kaye, 116 E. 76th Street.

An appropriate program has been planned by the group. Rabbi Simon Noveck will be the guest of honor.

Parents who have youngsters at out-of-town prep schools are asked to communicate with Miss Kaye so that invitations may be extended to the young people.

On January 5th the Society is planning to have a winter dance. Members are urged to keep this date in mind.

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Pre-Confirmation Meeting

The pre-Confirmation group will hold their next meeting on December 16th. At that time, Rabbi Noveck will speak on: "Jewish Youths and Their Christian Friends."

This group has planned a New Year's Dance for Sunday evening, December 30th. All young people between the ages of fourteen and fifteen are cordially invited to attend.

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Youth Hanukah Dance

The youngest group in the Youth Department is holding a Hanukah Dance on December 15th at 7:30 P.M. A full program has been planned.

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Youth Convention

The charter convention of United Synagogue Youth, the national teenage youth organization of the Conservative Movement, will be held at Columbia University on December 25th, 26th and 27th. The convention will bring together delegates from youth groups in Synagogues throughout the United States to discuss problems of mutual interest. The Park Avenue Synagogue Youth Groups will each send representatives to the Convention.

A Committee under the Chairmanship of Mr. Sanford H. Cohen has been appointed to meet at a Brunch on Sunday, December 16th, at 11:30 A.M. at the Hotel Croydon in order to discuss ways and means of contacting the entire Synagogue family for the support of Federation, of which our Trustee and member, Mr. Milton Weill, is President.

Our Adult Education Faculty

Dr. Albert Salomon

Dr. Albert Salomon is one of the outstanding members of the Adult Education faculty in the Synagogue. His course this year deals with "The Jewish Novel: an Element in Jewish Renascence". Among the novels he will discuss are: Franz Kafka's "The Castle", Agnon's "In the Heart of the Seas", Maurice Samuel's "The Prince of the Ghetto", Sholem Asch's "Moses", Sholom Aleichem's "Inside Kasrilevke" and Milton Steinberg's "As a Driven Leaf".

Dr. Salomon was born in Berlin, Germany. In 1921 he received his PhD. from the University of Heidelberg. He has been professor of Sociology, at the Graduate Faculty of the New School for Social Research since January 1935.

Since 1949, Dr. Salomon has been lecturing at Columbia University's School for General Studies. In the Spring of 1950 he was invited to give a lecture course on the "Social Theory of Revolution" at Brandeis University.

At the Jewish Theological Seminary he delivered a lecture on "Sociology and Literature". As a member of the conference on Science, Philosophy and Religion, he produced the paper, "Religion of Progress".

In previous years his courses at the Park Avenue Synagogue have been "Sociology and Religion" and Martin Buber's "Religious Philosophy".

Among Dr. Salomon's numerous articles, many have been concerned with religion: "Charles Péguy and the Calling of Israel", "Natural Judaism" (an article reviewing Rabbi Steinberg's "Basic Judaism") and "Democracy, Socialism and Religion" which appeared in *The Jewish Frontier;* "In Memoriam Milton Steinberg", in *The Reconstructionist;* and "Prophets, Priests and Social Studies" in the *Commentary*.

New Contributors Add To Steinberg Memorial

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Mazel Tov

TO Miss Sylvia Jacobs, of the Sunday School Faculty, on her Marriage to Mr. Abraham Kranz.

TO Miss Fay Green, of our Music Department, on her Marriage to Mr. Bernard Grand.

TO Mr. Allen Maurer and Miss Rhoda Gazen on their Marriage December 23rd.

TO Mr. and Mrs. George Osserman on the Birth of a Daughter, and to the Grandparents, Dr. and Mrs. Harold Osserman.

Jr. League Barn Dance

The Junior League will hold a Barn Dance and Game Night on Thursday evening, December 27th at 8:30 P.M. in the Vestry of the Synagogue. The chairman for the evening will be Al Luebeck. Refreshments will be served. All young people are invited to attend.

On Sunday afternoon, December 2nd, the Junior League held a dance in the Vestry. Jeno Bartel and his orchestra supplied the music, and unique refreshments were served.

Dec. Birthday Celebrations

A Happy Hanukah and a Happy Birthday to the following students who celebrate their birthdays in December: Stephen Black, Sandra Cohen, Gloria Duke, Michael Fleisher, Martha Gerken, Susan Linda Herbert, Bruce Kogan, Jeffrey Loria, Jonathan Ostriker, Alan Shapiro, Sara Jane Sheldon, Susan Wimpfheimer, Ruth Judith Wyler and Myles Atlas.

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We have FOR SALE AT THE SYNAGOGUE:

MENORAHS—both traditional and modern.

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Remember us for your Hanukah gifts. Gifts displayed on Monday evening, from 7:45 to 10 P.M., or Tuesday morning, please contact Bess Heyman or Irma Heller at the Synagogue. SAcramento 2-8765 or ATwater 9-5500.

Parents To Distribute Candles For Hanukah

The Parents' Association once again plans to distribute special Hanukah candles to all children who attend the Park Avenue Religious School.

The kindling of the lights plays such an important part in the Hanukah celebration that parents should put forth every effort to make the ceremony impressive as well as beautiful. The child should sense the spirit of solemnity as he recites the blessings appropriate for lighting the candles on each of the eight nights of the Festival.

To make the services more meaningful, the parent should explain that the lighting of each candle symbolizes the truths which Judaism has kindled throughout the world. The Light of the Torah, of Justice, of Mercy, of Holiness, of Love, of Patience, and of Courage—these truths are eternal and will live forever to inspire men who love freedom.

As a conclusion to the commemoration of the Feast of Rededication, the family, gathered around the Menorah, may sing songs, the most beloved of which are "Mooz Tzur", "Rock of Ages," and "Hear the Voice."

Let us make the observance of Hanukah an inspiring, thrilling experience which our children will long remember.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Friday, December 14th .....8:30 P.M.
Rabbi Noveck will discuss: "Martin Buber—The Man and His Philosophy"
Saturday, December 15th, 10:00 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach
Monday, December 17th . . .
Sisterhood Excursion to Jewish Theological Seminary
Hebrew, Yiddish and Choral Classes .....8:00 P.M.
Professor Kosofsky: "Teaching the Idea of God to Children"
Professor Salomon: Sholom Aleichem's "Inside Kasrilevke"
Rabbi Noveck will discuss: "The Jews of Western Europe" 9:00 P.M.
Tuesday, December 18th . . .
Men's Club Meeting; Professor Paul Weiss will speak on: "The Weakness of Power"
Friday, December 21st .....8:30 P.M.
Professor Martin Buber will speak
Saturday, December 22nd, 10:00 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach
Religious School Hebrew Department Hanukah Party .....5:30 P.M.
Sunday, December 23rd
Sunday School Hanukah Parties
Candle Lighting Services .....7:45 P.M.
Congregation Hanukah Party and Square Dance ....8:00 P.M.

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Professor Paul Weiss To Address Men's Club

The next meeting of the Men's Club will take place on Tuesday evening. December 18th at 8:15 P.M. Following the regular short business meeting, the Club will present Professor Paul Weiss of Yale University.

Professor Weiss is a distinguished philosopher and lecturer whose ability to meet squarely the problems of mankind keep him in constant demand for lectures before his colleagues and undergraduates. At the University he is constantly surrounded by students discussing questions of religious belief, race relations and ethics, questions that arise perpetually to plague the minds of young and old alike.

The Yale Philosopher is nationally recognized as the author and editor of several important philosophical works. His most recent book is "Man's Freedom". Previously, he had written, amongst others, "Reality", "Nature and Man" and "The Philosophy of Whitehead".

Professor Weiss recently returned from Israel where he delivered a series of lectures as a mmber of the Conference of Science and Religion. Hhe has chosen for his subject before the Men's Club, "The Weakness of Power", a philosopher analyses world problems. A discussion period will follow and refreshments will be served. All men are invited to attend and to bring a friend.

Adult Education Features New Course in Yiddish

The most recent addition to the Park Avenue Synagogue Adult Education Program is a new course in Yiddish. At present 15 students are enrolled in the class. The course is designed for beginners who would like to read and write as well as speak Yiddish.

The class is conducted in an informal manner in order to encourage the students to feel free to speak. The history and background of the language were covered in the first two lessons.

The instructor has already read folk tales to the class and the students are looking forward to reading exerpts from Yiddish Literature in the near future.

Sisterhood to Hold Seminary Excursion

On December 17th, Sisterhood has planned an excursion to the Jewish Theological Seminary. There the women will be greeted by the heads of the various departments and tour the institution where our religious leaders are taught.

A special lunch will be served in the Seminary Dining Room and those going are requested to meet there at 12 noon. The Seminary address is 3080 Broadway. Cards have been sent out regarding this visit. Please mail the reply card at once.

Sisterhood's Sewing Group is busily preparing for the Spring Bazaar. More help is needed to make articles to be sold at that time. The group meets every Wednesday from 10 to 3 P.M. in the Vestry Room. Those interested will be welcomed by the group.

Every Wednesday from 10 to 4 P.M., Sisterhood's Volunteer Corps. assist at the New York Guild for the Jewish Blind at 1880 Broadway. For those who have the time, this is a worthy cause.

The Annual Congregational Dinner-Meeting of the Park Avenue Synagogue will be held in January. The date and time will be announced in a future issue of BULLETIN.

Adult Education . . .

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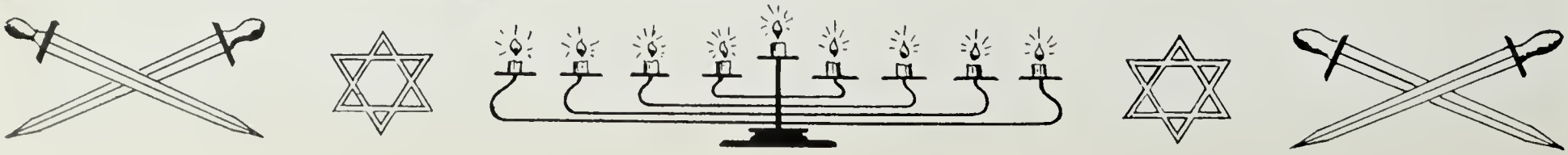
interviewed some of the leading Jewish figures in these Jewish Communities.

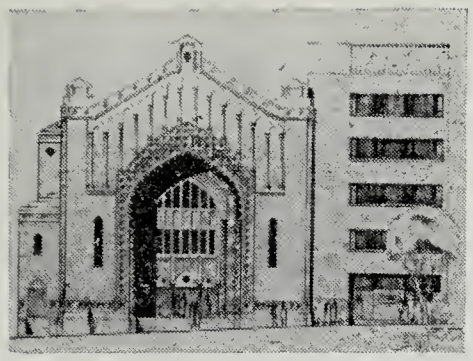
Professor Kosofsky, in his course on Psychology and Religion will discuss "Teaching the Idea of God to Children" at 8:00 o'clock.

Sholom Aleichem's novel "Inside Kasrilevke" will be the topic of Professor Salomon's lecture in his series on the Jewish Novel.

Choral, Hebrew and Yiddish classes will continue as usual.

On Monday evening, December 24th and Monday evening, December 31st, there will be a mid-winter recess of the Adult Education program. Following this recess, there will take place the Milton Steinberg Lectures in Jewish Theology. Five outstanding Jewish Theologians from England and America will participate in the series.





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Friday Evening, January 7th
8:30 P.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach:
"Americanism and Judaism —Are They Compatible?"

Rabbi Philip Bernstein To Open Lectures In Jewish Theology

On Monday evening, January 7th at 9:00 P.M. Rabbi Philip Bernstein, President of the Central Conference of American Rabbis will open the second annual series of the Milton Steinberg Lectures in Jewish Theology. His topic will be "What The Jews Believe." On January 14th Professor Abraham Joshua Heschel, the well known Professor at the Jewish Theological Seminary will deliver the second lecture of the series on his recent book "Man is Not Alone," which has caused such a stir in intellectual circles during the past year.

These lectures were established by the Committee on Adult Education last year to carry on the great interest of Rabbi Milton Steinberg in Jewish Theology. The speakers in last year's series were Dr. Louis Finkelstein, Will Herberg, Professor Albert Salomon and Dr. Mordecai Kaplan. Further details on these lectures will be found on the inside page of this Bulletin.

The courses in Hebrew, Yiddish, Choral Music and Psychology and Religion will all resume their sessions on January 7th at 8:00 P.M. Rabbi Noveck's lectures on Modern Jewish History will begin again in February at the end of the Theological series.

DATES TO REMEMBER!
Annual Congregational Dinner — Sunday Evening, January 20th
Seminary Brunch—Sunday, March 2nd

Parents to Conduct Friday Services; Dr. Halkin to Be Guest Speaker

The Parents' Association will conduct the Friday Evening Service at the Park Avenue Synagogue on Friday, January 11th at 8:30 P.M. Dr. Abraham S. Halkin, distinguished Professor of History at the Teachers' Institute of the Jewish Theological Seminary, and Professor of Hebrew at City College of New York, will be the guest speaker. Dr. Halkin will discuss "Jewish Education: its Role and Purpose."

Born in Russia in 1903, Dr. Halkin came to America in 1914. He received his B.A., M.A. and Ph.D. degrees from Columbia University and also studied at Oxford. Dr. Halkin is affiliated with the Society of Biblical Literature and the American Bible Society. He is also Secretary of the American Academy of Jewish Research, as well as Vice-President of the Metropolitan Jewish Book Council. He has published several works on Moslem Schisms and Sects, and has recenely completed a book on Maimonides and Epistles to Jews of Yemen.

Several members of the Parents' Association will take part in the Friday Evening Service. Hebrew prayers will be read by Mr. Edward Kaye, Mr. Bernard Weintraub and Mr. Bernard Bienstock. Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheim, Mrs. Jack Hoexter and Mrs. Victor Herwitz will read the English prayers.

After the Service, there will be a symposium in the Vestry and the audience will have an opportunity to participate in the discussion. Later, refreshments will be served under the Chairmanship of Mrs. George Heyman and her committee. Mrs. Jack Hoexter is Chairman of the evening and in charge of arrangements.

Rabbi Noveck Appointed Adult Education Director Of the United Synagogue

Appointment of Rabbi Simon Noveck as Director of the Department of Adult Jewish Education of the United Synagogue of America was announced recently by Dr. Simon Greenberg, Vice-Chancellor of the Seminary. The new department, replacing the National Academy of Adult Jewish Studies headed by Dr. Israel Goldman for the past ten years, will attempt to revitalize Adult Jewish study in the five hundred Conservative Congregations in this country and Canada.

Among the projects planned by Rabbi Noveck will be the publication of curricula, pamphlets and books as aids to Rabbis and teachers in Adult Education courses, the coordination of the various Adult Education programs throughout the country and the establishment of higher standards in this area. Rabbi Noveck was chosen for this very responsible position not only because of his background as a former lecturer in Sociology at the City College of New York and at the Seminary School of Jewish Studies, but because of the successful program of Adult Studies at the Park Avenue Synagogue which has become a model for other Conservative Congregations throughout the land.

Men's Club to Hold Ladies' Night Affair

The Men's Club meeting on Tuesday evening, January 22nd, promises to be the outstanding social event of the year. The Club has dedicated the meeting as Ladies' Night. The Vestry will be converted into a cabaret; and a six piece Society Orchestra will supply the music for dancing; divertissement entertainers will appear; and professional bartenders

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to observe the sabbath

The Sabbath Observance project of the Conservative Movement is now in full swing throughout America. It is conceded that its impact on the home will, in the final analysis, determine its entire efficacy. For the Sabbath must be clearly reflected in the Jewish home; its spirit must be mirrored in the behavior of the family. Its nakhas ruakh must shine on the faces of our men, women and children. Then will the Sabbath reign supreme in our home.

It is easy to achieve this Sabbath rapture. How? Observe the Sabbath ceremonies and the Sabbath rituals, sing the Sabbath songs, and transform your Sabbath table into an altar for adoring God.

Every member of the family has a part to enact. The mother should light the Sabbath candles and dress the children in their finery. The father should bless the children and lead in the recitation of the Kiddush with the participation of the family. The children should sing the melodies, helped by the parents. Grace (Benshon) should be ready with every member reading a section.

Each family should enroll their home in this Sabbath Observance Effort, an effort sponsored by our entire Movement. Please introduce Observance and Ceremony in your home. There can be no more gratifying Jewish deed; there is no joy comparable to the delights of the Sabbath. Bring the Sabbath Queen into your home.

Courtesy of the United Synagogue of America

Ritual Committee To Discuss Sabbath

At the last meeting of the Ritual Committee, it was decided to invite the presidents of all the affiliated groups of the Synagogue to its next meeting to be held on Thursday evening, January 17th.

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the problem of the Revitalization of the Sabbath in our synagogue in conjunction with the Sabbath Observance project launched by the United Synagogue of America this fall.

letter to the editor

Dear Editor:

A couple of weeks ago I attended, for the first time, the Adult Education Course. I expected a session reminiscent of most college courses—informative but professorial. Much to my amazement I got something quite different.

Around me I saw a group of people ranging in age from about 16 to 75. A few hundred people. Instead of a cut and dried lecture I heard an animated, at times highly spirited discussion which held everybody's undivided attention from start to finish. The time flew by as Rabbi Noveck alternately lectured, threw questions at us and exchanged good humored reparte. As I looked about the room I saw eager faces listening in a relaxed but attentive mood. One woman was knitting with her eyes glued on the speaker. Next to me sat a well known department store executive very much absorbed in the discussion.

In brief, here was a storehouse of cultural and educational gifts being dispensed but in oh such a pleasant manner. This was truly a delight.

I'm wondering how many of our members know of the glittering facets of Judaism hiding behind the prosaic words —Adult Educational Series.

Very truly yours,
LAWRENCE W. SCHOTT

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL RE-OPENS

Hebrew Department
Wednesday, January 2nd

Junior Congregation
Saturday, January 5th

Primary Department
Sunday, January 6th

SCHOOL NEWS

At the completion of the first third of the school year, the faculty of the Hebrew Department of the Religious School announces that the following students were named to the Honor Roll for General Attitude, Attendence and Scholarship:

Hebrew IA: Susan Drukatz, Robert Karpf, Richard Pesikoff, Jonathan Siegel

Hebrew IB: Michael Freedman, Leona Giat, Joseph Weintraub, Richard Fread, John Stangel

Hebrew IIA: Allan Mehlman, Gail Rosenkrantz

Hebrew IIB: Ruth Wyler, Ellen Wimpfheimer

Hebrew III: Cecily Falkenstein, John Kogan, Marilyn Schneider

Hebrew IV: Paul Bienstock, Edward Curtiss

In the Primary Department, the following students have had Perfect Attendance:

Class I: Irene Beth Klein

Class IIA: Stephen Black, Stephen Dell, Lillian Wiener, Gerald Stiebel

Class IIB: Leon Grossman, Joan Hoexter, Dail Metzger, Mark Siegel

Class IIIA: Jeffrey Mehlman, Marcia Stein, Jonathan Charnas, Pamala Greenberg

Class IIIB: Barbara Julich, Maxine Metzger, Daniel Ritey, Renee Stern, Margaret Buechler

Class IVA: Jeffrey Joseph, Andrea Theodore, Mary Brandmarker, Joel Siegel, Kurt Frank

Class IVB: David Alberts, Donald Mutterperl, Joan Rubinstein, Eric Weinberg, Falene Simet, Susan Swick, Howard Rosenberg.

Milton Steinberg Lectures in Jewish Theology

January 7 Through February 4, 1952

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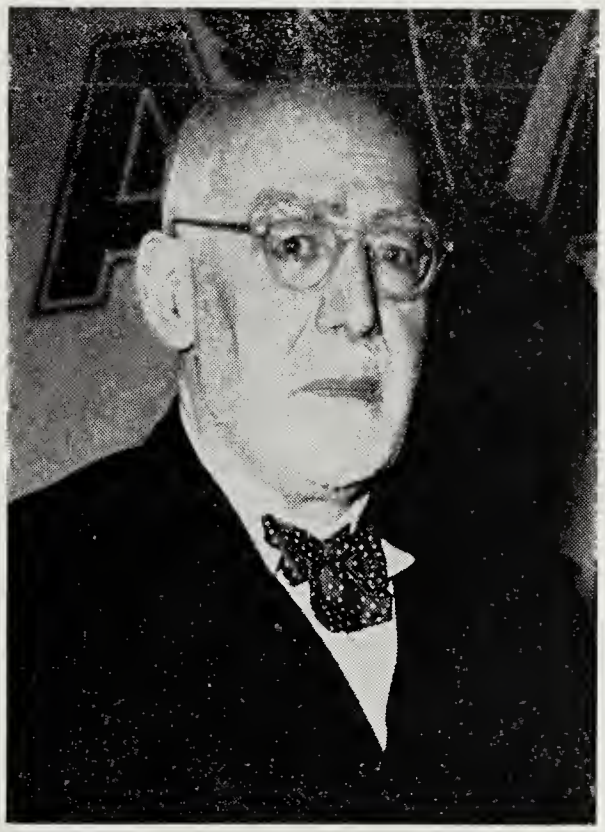
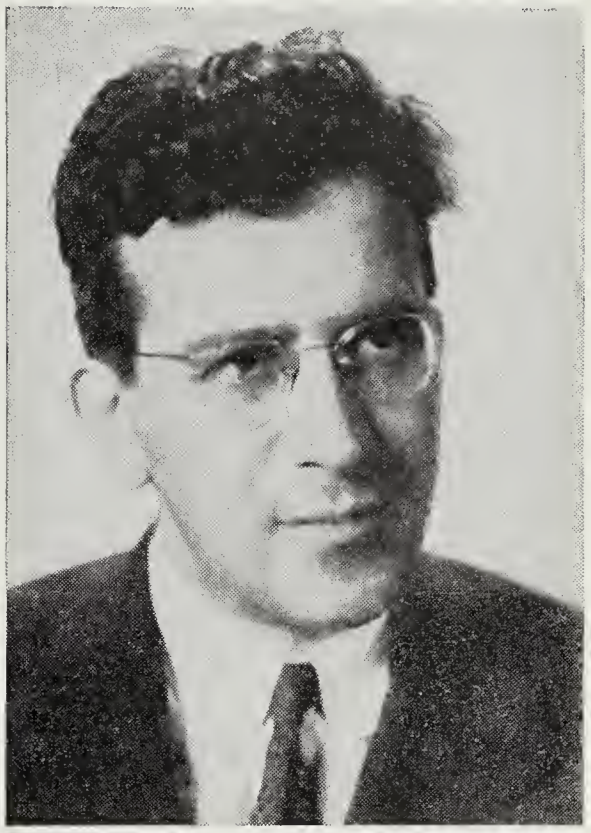
RABBI PHILIP BERNSTEIN
Monday, January 7, 1952
Topic: **"What the Jews Believe"**

Rabbi Bernstein of Temple Brith Kodesh Rochester, New York is President of the Central Conference of American Rabbis and Vice-President of the World Jewish Congress Executive. He is the author of the Life magazine article "What The Jews Believe", which evoked the most enthusiastic response in the history of that publication. His book under the same title has sold over 60,000 copies.



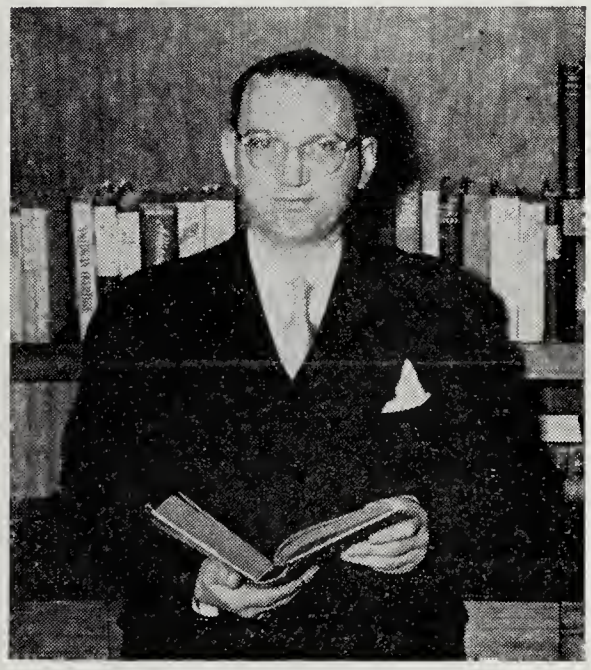
DR. LEO BAECK
Monday, February 4, 1952
Topic: **"The Essence of Judaism"**

Dr. Leo Baeck, Alumni visiting Professor at the Hebrew Union College in Cincinnati, has been described by the late Joshua Liebman as the "most unforgettable character I've met." Formerly Rabbi of the famous Oranienburger Synagogue in Berlin, when a post was offered to him in America he refused to leave his fellow Jews in Nazi Germany. A prisoner in Theresienstadt throughout the war, he miraculously escaped death. He is the author of a number of books and articles on Judaism and Jewish Religion. His home is in London, England where he is regarded as one of the modern day Saints.



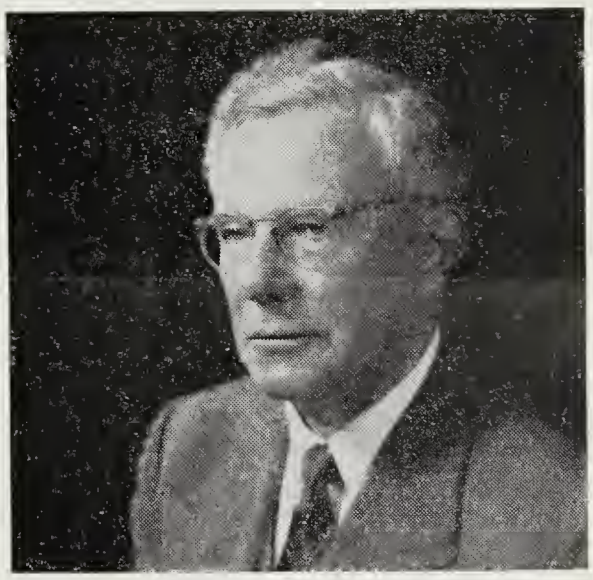
PROFESSOR ABRAHAM J. HESCHEL
Monday, January 14, 1952
Topic: **"Man is Not Alone"**

Dr. Heschel, Associate Professor of Jewish Ethics and Mysticism at the Rabbinical School and the Teachers Institute of the Jewish Theological Seminary is internationally known as a scholar, author and lecturer. His recent books are "The Earth is the Lord's", "Man is Not Alone", and "The Sabbath: It's Meaning for Modern Man".



RABBI EMANUEL RACKMAN
Monday, January 21, 1952
Topic: **"New Currents in Orthodox Religious Thought"**

Rabbi Rackman of Congregation Sharay Tefilah is lecturer in Political Philosophy and Jurisprudence at the Yeshiva University. He is a Vice-President of the New York Board of Rabbis and a member of the Executive Committee of the Rabbinical Council of America. A former Chaplain (Major) in the United States Air Force, he was instructor of Chaplains and their assistants at the Chaplain School.



PROFESSOR PAUL TILLICH
Monday, January 28, 1952
Topic: **Jewish Influences on Contemporary Christian Theology"**

Professor Tillich is one of the outstanding contemporary Christian theologians in America today. He was Professor of Theology in Berlin, Dresden and Leipsig from 1919 to 1933 and since then he has been at the Union Theological Seminary here in New York. Author of many volumes in German and English, he has been designated to deliver the Gifford Lectures in 1953-54.

ALL ARE WELCOME

Story of Hatikvah

by Cantor David Putterman

Too few realize that since May 14, 1948, the date on which Israel declared itself a nation, that the text of the Hatikvah has been changed to conform to Israel's status of nationhood. We are no longer a people "yearning to return to the land of our fathers", we now sing "to be a free nation in our land, the land of Zion and Jerusalem".

It is to be deplored that at functions where the American national anthem and the Israel anthem are usually sung, that whereas most everyone knows the texts of our American anthems, very few of our people are familiar with the text of the *Hatikvah.* The following data will familiarize you with the origin and significance of this anthem, in the hope that you will learn its text and know its sources.

HATIKVAH

Hatikvah, "The Hope", was written in 1878 by the Hebrew poet, Naphtali Herz Imber, and set to music by Samuel Cohen, pioneer settler of Rishon Le Zion, one of the oldest Jewish colonies, on the Plain of Judea, Palestine. The poem, consisting of nine stanzas, expressed the longing for Zion and the desire to return to it. It was taken up by Palestine colonists and became the anthem of the Zionist movement when it was organized in 1897. The melody is based on a Czechoslovakian folk-song. It has also been used by the composer Smetana in his symphonic poem, *The Moldau.*

Naphtali Herz Imber, the author of the lyrics, was born in Zloczow, Galicia, in 1856. He received an Orthodox Jewish education as the son of a Hasidic family. Through a Hebrew poem on an Austrian patriotic theme he won local distinction in 1870, for which the government rewarded him in money. After the death of his father, Imber wandered from country to country, visiting Vienna and Constantinople. Here he met Lawrence Oliphant (1829-1888), an Englishman who was planning to settle Jews in Palestine. In 1882 he went with him to the Holy Land.

For six years, Imber lived in Palestine. During this time he wrote essays and articles for Hebrew periodicals. In 1886 a collection of his poetry, *Barkai* ("Morning Star"), was published. One of the poems in this collection was *Hatikvah* ("The Hope"), originally entitled *Tikvathenu* ("Our Hope"). This later became the anthem of the Zionist movement. Others of Imber's poems, as *Mishmar Hayarden* ("Watch on the Jordan") became popular among Palestinian settlers.

After Oliphant's death Imber went to England. In 1892 he came to the United States. He lived in various cities, and died in poverty in New York City in 1909.

Imber's brothers in Zloczow published a second collection of his poems, *Barkai Hehadash* ("The New Morning Star") in 1902. A third volume was published by Imber himself, in New York, in 1905, two years after the Kishinev pogrom. He dedicated this third collection to the Emperor of Japan, then at war with Russia. In addition to Hebrew poetry, Imber also wrote several pamphlets in English on mysticism and for a while, in 1895, edited a theosophical magazine, *Uriel,* in Boston. In 1909 a selection of his writings appeared in Palestine.

Mazel Tov

TO Mr. and Mrs. Charles Weill on their 61st Wedding Anniversary, January 4th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Milton Heller on their 35th Wedding Anniversary, January 15th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Harry Fromme on their 35th Wedding Anniversary, January 28th.

TO Dr. and Mrs. Louis L. Shapiro on their 24th Wedding Anniversary January 22nd.

TO Mr. and Mrs. I. Edward Gevirtz on their 21st Wedding Anniversary January 28th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Isidore M. Cohen on their 31st Wedding Anniversary, January 30th.

TO Mrs. Milton Collier on the Birth of her Granddaughter.

TO Dr. and Mrs. George Blumenthal on the Birth of a Son and to his Grandmother Mrs. Samuel Shapiro.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Greenwald on the Birth of a Daughter, Leah Ann on November 28th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Charles Abrams on their 62nd Wedding Anniversary on December 15th.

Correct Hebrew text of *Hatikvah*

Kol od ba-le-vav p'ni-mah
Ne-fesh ye-hudee ho-mi-yah
Ul-fa-atei miz-rach, kadi-mah
A-yin l'tzi-yon tzo-fi-yah.

Refrain:
Od lo av'dah tik-va-te-nu
Ha-tik-vah sohnot al-pa-yim
Li-hi-yot am chof-shi be-ah-tzo-nu
Eretz Zion Vi-y'-ru-sha-la-yim.

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Mrs. Ada Strasberger

YOUTH NEWS

The Judah Ha Levi Society has decided to hold weekly instead of bi-weekly meetings beginning in the month of January.

A tea and dance has been planned for January 6th at 2 P.M. The meeting to be held on January 13th will feature the outstanding Israeli film "Tent City". Both meetings will be held in the vestry of the synagogue.

Young people between the ages of 15 and 17 are invited to attend.

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A New Year's Dance will be held on Sunday evening, December 30th at 8 P.M. in the vestry by the Confirmation Group. Stephen Brodsky, chairman of the Social Committee, promises an evening of dancing, games and entertainment.

Jewish Museum Tour For Young Marrieds

The next meeting of the Young Marrieds will be held at the Jewish Museum on Tuesday, January 15th at 8:30 P.M. There the group will be guided on a tour of the museum, after which refreshments will be served. All those planning to attend should send their reply cards in immediately in order that the correct number of guides may be arranged for.

The last meeting of the group was held in the Vestry. Cantor Putterman was the guest speaker. He discussed the story of the Macabees and their contribution to the cause of Jewish life and survival. A discussion of the significance of Hanukah followed along with the singing of traditional Hanukah melodies.

The cocktail party held by the group on December 2nd was a social success. A grand attendance combined with food, drinks and congeniality helped make the affair a success.

Ladies' Night

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will serve cocktails and highballs and other refreshments all evening.

The Club has utilized all its talent to make this event the most talked of affair at Park Avenue Synagogue in many years. Festivities will begin at 8:30 P.M. and end some time after midnight.

All members of the Men's Club are cordially invited to attend and *to bring their Ladies.*

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Friday, January 4th.....8:30 P.M.
Rabbi Noveck will discuss: "Americanism and Judaism—Are They Compatible?"

Saturday, January 5th.....10:00 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach: "The American Democratic Faith"

Monday, January 7th.....8:00 P.M.
Hebrew, Yiddish and Choral Classes
Professor Kosofsky: "The Jewish Adolescent"
Rabbi Philip Bernstein will discuss: "What the Jews Believe" 9:00 P.M.

Friday, January 11th.....8:30 P.M.
Parents' Association Sabbath
Dr. Abraham S. Halkin will speak on: "Jewish Education; its Role and Purpose"

Saturday, January 12th....10:00 A.M.
David Hoexter Bar Mitzvah
Rabbi Noveck will preach: "The Highest Level of Living"

Monday, January 14th.....8:00 P.M.
Hebrew, Yiddish and Choral Classes
Professor Kosofsky: "Seeking a Sense of Values"
Professor Abraham J. Heschel will discuss: "Man is Not Alone" 9:00 P.M.

Tuesday, January 15th
Sisterhood Meeting .....1 P.M.
Mrs. Beatrice Ross of the Anti-Defamation League will speak
Young Marrieds Meeting Tour of the Jewish Museum 8:30 P.M.

Sunday, January 20th
Annual Congregational Dinner

Tuesday, January 22nd.....8:30 P.M.
Men's Club will hold Ladies Night!

Sisterhood to Hold A.D.L. Rumor Clinic

The next Sisterhood Dessert Luncheon and meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 15th at 1 P.M. in the Vestry. The guest speaker will be Mrs. Beatrice Ross, a representative of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith. She will conduct a Rumor Clinic followed by a discussion period. This type of program is not only entertaining but thought provoking and enlightening.

Mrs. Ross was formerly a teacher of English in a New York City high school. She is working with the Anti-Defamation League on Special Projects in Human Relations and displays great interest in Community Activities.

Jr. League Changes Name

At a recent closed meeting, upon the recommendation of the Executive Board, the Junior League voted to change its name to the Senior League of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

Young people of college age or over, who are themselves or their families affiliated with the synagogue and wish to become active, are cordially invited to contact the Membership Committee chairman, Miss Therese Weiss, 2680 Broadway, New York 25, N. Y. They will be most welcome at the next meeting of the new Senior League to be held on Thursday evening, January 24th at 8:30 P.M. in the vestry of the Synagogue.

The Senior League is planning for its annual winter weekend which is scheduled for February 15th, 16th and 17th at a place to be determined after inspection by the chairman Mr. Armand J. Rosenberg and his committee. This winter weekend is among the most successful functions of the League. It gives its members, in an atmosphere of informality, a chance to become better acquainted and have a lot of fun. Ice-skating, tobogganning, and skiing will round out the weekend.

On Sunday afternoon, January 6th from 3 to 6:30 P.M. the Senior League will hold a dance in the Vestry. Jeno Bartel and his orchestra will provide the music. Proceeds of the affair will go to charity. Miss Thelma Schaefer and Mr. Harold Kurte are co-chairmen of the function.

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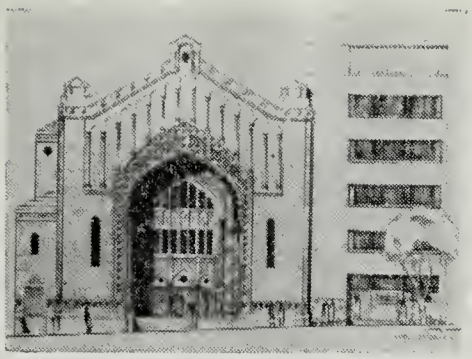

THE PARK AVENUE SYNAGOGUE

BULLETIN

January 18, 1952 Affiliated with the Jewish Theological Seminary and the United Synagogue of America 20 Teveth, 5712

Synagogue Services to be Televised!

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All members and their friends are urged to attend the programs. Those attending must be in their seats by 10:45 A.M.

The first service will be held Sunday morning, January 27th. It will be entitled "A Saturday Morning at the Park Avenue Synagogue". It will depict a typical Saturday morning service and will include the calling of a bride and bridegroom to the Torah, the offering of the blessing of the new month, Rosh Chodesh, the Anniversary of a Bar Mitzvah, the celebration of the 61st Wedding Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Weill and a sermon delivered by Rabbi Noveck.

The second service to be held the following Sunday, February 3rd will be a typical Friday evening service. Details of this program will be announced at a later date.

The Third of the series will commence on Sunday morning, February 10th. It will be a program to celebrate the observance of Jewish Music Month and Tu B'shevat.

The program on Sunday, February 17th, will commemorate the annual observance of National Brotherhood Week and a special tribute will be given to Jewish chaplains of the armed forces.

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These programs are designed for the education of the wider community about Judaism and the Jewish religion. The Park Avenue Synagogue is the only conservative congregation, thus far, to be chosen for this educational opportunity.

Success of these programs is dependent on a large attendence of the Synagogue membership and their friends. The audience, as well as the pulpit, will be televised. Each family is urged to send at least one representative to this unique series of services which will be witnessed by thousands of people throughout this part of the country.

Congregational Dinner to be Held on January 20th

The Annual Congregational Dinner-Meeting will take place on Sunday evening, January 20th at 6:30 P.M. in the Vestry Room. The Board of Trustees is making it possible for members to attend the dinner, which will include cocktails and hors d'oeuvres, at the nominal price of $2.75 per person.

An informative meaningful meeting is being planned under the chairmanship of Mrs. Samuel Wimpfheimer. A report by Rabbi Noveck will be given on the results of the Congregational Questionnaire. Members will be given an opportunity to express their opinions on various aspects of Synagogue management and services. Mr. Benjamin Sack, Chairman of the Board of Trustees will present his annual report.

The following candidates for officers and trustees of the Park Avenue Synagogue will be presented by the Nominating Committee for 1952:

OFFICERS

President, Jacob Klein; 1st Vice-President, Sanford H. Cohen; 2nd Vice-President, I. M. Cohen; Treasurer, Arthur

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Rabbi Will Discuss "The MacIver Report"

On Friday evening, January 18th at 8:30 P.M., Rabbi Noveck will discuss "The MacIver Report—its Significance for American Jewry". Professor Robert MacIver of Columbia University was chosen by six outstanding Jewish organizations to make a study of the manner in which community relations is carried on in the American Jewish Community.

Travelling over the country and interviewing hundreds of Jewish leaders, Professor MacIver, after six months study, presented an important report which has caused tremendous discussion throughout America. His recommendations for the elimination of duplicate ac-

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Men's Club Sabbath

The Men's Club of the Park Avenue Synagogue will sponsor the Friday evening services on January 28th. The following six men will take over the service and read the Hebrew portions: Messrs. Archie Thurman, Milton Sivck, Julian Jacobs, Jacob Boorstein, Edward Kaye and the Men's Club president Joseph Howard Katz.

Following the services, a Symposium will be held on the "Spiritual Aspects of the Professions" in the Vestry. Hon. Samuel Gold, a Justice of the Supreme

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Sisterhood Bazaar Set for March

Times passes quickly when there is work to be done, and before you know it, the calendar will read MARCH 8th—the opening date of the long heralded SISTERHOOD'S BAZAAR.

The success of this BAZAAR is not dependent solely on the committee members, but rather on you—yes you who are reading this article.

Prime among our needs is new saleable merchandise, and after you have all brought us your maximum of new goods, don't go away—stay awhile and help us plan and execute the most efficient way of selling these articles. This is not merely a bland invitation—we are asking for the assistance of every member of the Synagogue to enable the Sisterhood to make this undertaking a success.

WE NEED MERCHANDISE AND WILLING WORKERS — AND WE NEED THESE NOW!!

All merchandise can be brought or sent to the Synagogue.

Won't you join one of our committees. Contact the Chairman with whom you wish to work.

Our goal is $10,000 which will help us make good our $25,000 pledge to the Milton Steinberg Building Fund.

We expect the phones to start buzzing and the mails to be overflowing with replies.

The big event of the year by far Will be the Sisterhood's Bazaar.

The following are the Chairmen for the Bazaar:

Mrs. Benjamin Sack, Bazaar Chairman—SA. 2-8795.

Mrs. David Bilsky, Bazaar Co-Chairman—TR. 3-7498.

Mrs. Irving Shapiro, Bazaar Co-Chairman—SA. 2-4717.

Mrs. Harry Neivert, Merchandise Chairman—TE. 9-1682.

Mrs. Sara Bernstein, Merchandise Co-Chairman—TR 7-2947.

Mrs. Harold Sokolow, Cafeteria Chairman—AT. 9-8708.

Mrs. Sanford Cohen, Cafeteria Co-Chairman—AT. 9-7638.

Mrs. Leo Friedman, Sewing Chairman —TR. 7-7860.

All members are invited to take part in the decoraton of Sisterhood's Family Tablecloth. It consists of a series of linen napkins which will be joined together to form a large banquet cloth. On each napkin members and friends will be privileged, at the cost of one dollar, to sign their names. These names will be embroidered by Mrs. Anna Adelman, who is noted for her fine needlecraft.

This cloth will be used for all gala occasions at the Synagogue. Mrs. Milton Heller is in charge of the project. Please contact her to make sure your name will be embroidered on this traditional heirloom.

SCHOOL NEWS

Greetings to the following students of the Religious School who celebrate their birthdays during the month of January:

Maxine Arnstein, Mary Louise Brandmarker, Stephen Feig, Anthony Greenwald, John Kogan, Nan Krulewitch, Paul Jacobs, David Savitz and Robert Spiegel.

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The first issue of the "Voice of the Students", a mimeographed newspaper, published by the students of the Religious School made its appearance at the Annual School Hanukah Party.

The eight-page paper, edited by Lee Reichman, Susan Sheskin and a large editorial staff, featured a message from Rabbi Noveck and articles on Israel, holiday observance, Keren Ami, Judah Halevi and Moses Maimonides. The eager acceptance of the paper by the students assures the staff of many more student-contributors for the next issue of the paper.

LOST

Will the gentleman who, by mistake, took the wrong hat home the Friday evening that Martin Buber spoke in the Vestry, please return it to the Synagogue office. It bears the initials F. J.

YOUTH NEWS

Representatives of the Park Avenue Synagogue Youth Department were most enthusiastic about the United Synagogue Youth Charter Convention which was held from December 25th through December 27th at the Seminary. Besides delegates enjoying the sessions in which they participated, they had the opportunity of meeting and sharing ideas with fellow teen-agers representing Jewish communities throughout the country. The delegates have drawn up a joint report on the Convention which will be given to each club in the Youth Department.

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The Judah Halevi Society has planned a Bowling Party for January 20th, at which time, members, under the guidance of their adviser, will visit a neighborhood bowling alley.

On January 27th the debating team under the chairmanship of Richard Berkman will engage the Junior League of the Society for the Advancement of Judaism in a debate. It promises to be an exciting event.

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On January 20th the Intermediate Group will hold a forum-discussion on the problems of teen-agers today. The discussion will cover such topics as dating, parent-child relationships, education, and the place of the Synagogue in the life of the teen-ager. Mr. Sanford Hahn, the group's adviser, will lead the discussion.

The group has also planned to hold their first big inter-Synagogue dance on February 2nd with the Isaac Meyer Wise Society of Temple Israel in the auditorium of Temple Israel. Elaborate plans have been made for the occasion by the social committees of both organizations.

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The Junior Group of the Youth Department, comprised of boys and girls between the ages of 12 through 14, will hold a debate with the Post-Bar Mitzvah group of the Society for the Advancement of Judaism on January 27. This debate will take place while the oldest teen-age group, the Judah Halevi Society, is debating another SAJ youth group.

DATES TO REMEMBER!

Seminary Brunch—Sunday, March 2nd
Sisterhood Bazaar—
March 8, 9, 10 and 11

Parents' Group Sponsors Parties During Hanukah

Under the auspices of the Parents Association of the Park Avenue Synagogue, several parties were held during the Hanukah season for the children of the Religious School.

On Saturday evening, December 22nd, the Parents Association sponsored a supper party. Alex Kaplan conducted the Habdalah service assisted by several children and kindled the lights of the Feast of Rededication. After supper, a musicale and play were presented under the supervision of Miss Fay Green. The following children participated: Geraldine Klein, Gail Rosenkrantz, Phyllis Brody, Richard Fread, Alan Mehlman, John Stangel, Robert Golden, Kenneth Rosen and Andrew Allenson.

Square dancing followed with Jack Landman doing a fine professional job as Caller. Mrs. Stanley Simon and Mrs. A. Stangel were responsible for the beautiful, symbolic table decorations. Mrs. Charles Weisberg was in charge of the refreshments.

On Sunday morning, December 23rd, the children enjoyed individual class parties planned by the teachers of the Primary School. Candles were lit and traditional foods were served. Each child received an Israeli coin souvenir. Mrs. Edward Joseph supervised the square dancing and the Israeli dancing.

Over two hundred children enjoyed these parties and were instilled with the spirit of Hanukah, made more meaningful by these celebrations.

Mrs. Theodore A. Zucker, Chairman of the Class Mothers, and her assistants worked untiringly to make these festivities so successful. This could not have been achieved without the wholehearted cooperation of Mr. Leichtling and the teachers of the Religious School.

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tivities and for improving the effectiveness of the American Jewish Committee, the American Jewish Congress, Jewish Labor Committee, Anti - Defamation League, the Jewish War Veterans and the Union of American Hebrew Congregations have created a tremendous controversy.

Rabbi Noveck will summarize the contents of the Report and analyze its theoretical framework and findings and evaluate its impact upon Jewish organizational life in this country.

Mazel Tov

TO Rabbi and Mrs. Morris N. Kertzer on the Marriage of their daughter, Eva Neufeld to Mr. Leonard Paul, December 23rd.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Kahn on the Marriage of their daughter Eleanor H. to Mr. Daniel O. Boyer, December 23rd.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Levy on the Marriage of their daughter Jo to Mr. Norman Platek, December 29th.

TO Miss Helene Bauer and Mr. Philip Shapiro on their Marriage, January 10th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Murray Gillette on the Engagement of their Daughter.

To Dr. Hector J. Ritey on his appointment as Chairman of the Committee for Mentally Retarded Children at the International Convention on Mental Health held in Mexico City in December.

Sisterhood Plans Bazaar

Plans for Sisterhood's mammoth Bazaar are forging ahead. Unique and exciting arrangements have been made and excitement is high, as each day brings the festival nearer.

Under the direction of Mrs. Benjamin Sack and her able Chairmen and their committees, preparations are well under way. The affair will be inaugurated on March 8th by a Dutch Supper and highlighted by many gift awards. One of the most valuable prizes will be a beautiful Mink Stole donated by Mr. Henry Greenhut.

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Ochs; Associate Treasurer, Dr. Harold Osserman: Executive Secretary, Emanuel Rosenthal; Chairman, Board of Trustees, Benjamin Sack; Vice-Chairman, Board of Trustees, Ezra Cohen; Sisterhood Designee, Mrs. Samuel Wimpfheimer; Honorary President, Jacob Friedman, Jr.; Honorary Vice-President, Charles Weill.

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Rabbi Noveck will install each of the officers individually. Families of the officers are particularly urged to attend these ceremonies.

New Contributors Add To Steinberg Memorial

In past issues, the list of contributors to the Milton Steinberg Memorial Fund has appeared in its entirety. The following are more recent contributors, whose names have not appeared before.

In a later issue, the complete list will be published again.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice J. Blumenthal
Mr. and Mrs. Alfred W. Edelman
Mr. and Mrs. Max Gibson
Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel Klein
Mr. and Mrs. Norman Orent

CORRECTION !

The Hebrew text of Hatikvah which appeared in the last issue of BULLETIN contained several errors. The following is the correct Hebrew text.

HATIKVAH

Kol od ba-le-vav p'ni-mah
Ne-fesh ye-hu-dee ho-mi-yah
Ul-fa-a-tei miz-rach ka-di-mah
A-yin l'tzi-yon tzo-fi-yah

Refrain:

Od lo av-dah tik-va-te-nu
Ha-tik-vah sch'-not al-pa-yim
Li-h'-yot am chof-shi b'-ar-tze-nu
E-retz Tzi-yon Vi-y'-ru-sha-la-yim

Milton Steinberg Book Available at Synagogue

For those of you who have not yet sent for "A Believing Jew" by Milton Steinberg, there are still books available at the Synagogue.

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Adult Classes to Hear Rabbi Emanuel Rackman, Professor Paul Tillich

On Monday evening, January 21st at 9:00 P.M. Rabbi Emanuel Rackman of Congregation Sharay Tefilah will deliver the third lecture in the Milton Steinberg Jewish Theology Lecture Series. His topic will be "New Currents in Orthodox Religious Thought". Rabbi Rackman who lectures in Political Philosophy and Jurisprudence at Yeshiva University, is a Vice President of the New York Board of Rabbis and a member of the Executive Committee of the Rabbinical Council of America.

On Monday evening, January 28th, Professor Paul Tillich, one of the outstanding contemporary Christian theologians in America, will speak on "Jewish Influences on Contemporary Christian Theology". This will be the fourth lecture of the series. Professor Tillich was Professor of Theology in Berlin, Dresden and Leipsig from 1919 to 1933 and, since then, has been at the Union Theological Seminary in New York. An author of many German and English books, he has been designated to deliver the Gifford lectures in 1953-54.

Dr. Sidney Kosofsky will continue his lectures in Psychology and Religion at 8:00 P.M. His topic Monday, January 21st, will be "The Quest for Character", and on Monday evening, January 28th, "The Problem of Intermarriage".

The courses in Hebrew, Yiddish and Choral Music will be held, as usual, at 8:00 P.M.

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Men's Club to Hold Annual Ladies' Night

The Men's Club meeting on Tuesday evening, January 22nd, promises to be the outstanding social event of the year. The Club has dedicated the meeting as Ladies' Night. The Vestry will be converted into a cabaret; and a six piece Society Orchestra will supply the music for dancing; surprise television and radio entertainers will appear; and professional bartenders will serve cocktails and highballs and other refreshments all evening.

The Club has utilized all its talent to make this event the most talked of affair at Park Avenue Synagogue in many years. Festivities will begin at 8:30 P.M. and end some time after midnight.

All members of the Men's Club are cordially invited to attend and *to bring their Ladies.*

Religious Honors Given To Synagogue Members

On Saturday morning, January 19th, the prophetic portion will be recited by Mr. Israel B. Oseas of the Ritual Committee of the Synagogue. The portion will be taken from the first chapter of the book of Jeremiah.

On January 26th Mr. Archie Thurman the Chairman of the Ritual Committee will read. His portion will be taken from the 28th chapter of the Book of Ezekiel.

Publication of these names and the prophetic portions is in line with a newly established policy of the Ritual Committee to distribute the religious honors of the Synagogue among as many of the members as possible.

One of the great honors in every Synagogue service is the opportunity to recite the Haftorah portion. Members of the Synagogue who are able to recite the blessings before and after the Haftorah in Hebrew, and who would like to recite the Haftorah either in Hebrew or English, are urged to communicate with Mr. Jacob Klein of the Ritual Committee or with the Synagogue office.

Members who would like an Aliyah or any other religious honor in the Synagogue are urged to communicate with the Ritual Committee.

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Annual Congregational Dinner-Meeting

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Hebrew, Yiddish and Choral Classes
Professor Kosofsky: "The Quest for Character"
Rabbi Emanuel Rackman will discuss: "New Currents in Orthodox Religious Thought" 9:00 P.M.

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Friday, January 25th .....8:30 P.M.
Men's Club Sabbath

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Yizkor Elohim

JOSEPH BASS
father of Mrs. Joseph Block

MRS. LEO GRAETZ
wife of Mr. Leo Graetz

Men's Club Sabbath

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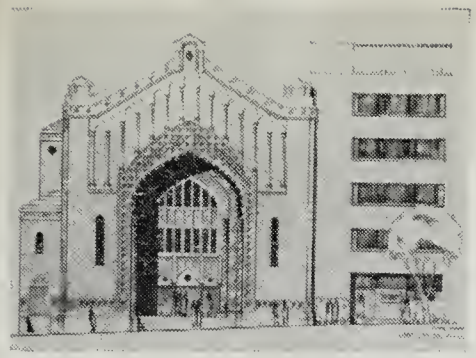
Court, Dr. A. L. Kornzweig, a physician and Dr. Edward Adelson a psychiatrist will participate in the discussion. These men will discuss ethical dilemas which they have faced in their professional careers; borderline situations that are legally acceptable but ethically doubtful. This is a topic of universal interest and all members are urged to attend.



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RABBI MAX J. ROUTTENBERG

Jewish Music Month To Be Inaugurated By Rabbi Routtenberg

On Friday, evening, February 8th, at 8:30 P.M., Rabbi Max Routtenberg, Executive Vice-President of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, will be the guest speaker. His topic will be "Changing Standards in Synagogue Music", to celebrate the launching of Jewish Music Month in our Synagogue. He is also the Director of the College of Jewish Music and the Cantors Institute of the Seminary.

Rabbi Routtenberg will announce at this time the opening of the School for Cantors. A school for which our own Cantor Putterman has been a motivating influence. It is in a large part due to his efforts that the school has become a reality. For many years he has been promulgating this school through the instrumentality of the Cantors Assembly, of the United Synagogue, of which he is the executive Vice-President and through the Department of Music of the United Synagogue, of which he is Director.

The school which has been named the College of Jewish Music and the Cantors Institute of the Seminary will officially open in September 1952. However, the Extension Department for Cantors in training will begin this month.

Dr Routtenberg was born in Montreal. Canada in 1909, and attended Mc-

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Congregation Elects Jacob Klein President

The annual Congregational dinner-meeting held Sunday evening, January 20th, was the largest in the history of the Park Avenue Synagogue. 216 Members attended the function, and many were turned away as the Vestry can accommodate only a limited number. Mrs. Helen Wimpfheimer, the chairman

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DR. STEPHEN S. KAYSER

Dr. Stephen S. Kayser of Jewish Museum To be Guest Speaker

On Friday evening, February 1st, at 8:30 P.M., Dr. Stephen Kayser, curator of the Jewish Museum, will be the guest speaker. His topic will be "The New Synagogue—Challenge of Our Day". Dr. Kayser who has travelled throughout the country and seen all the important new Synagogue buildings will discuss the new trend and philosophy of synagogue building. He will report on Eric Mendelsohn's new creations in synagogue structure, and also discuss the present Park Avenue Synagogue building in connection with the new building plans.

Dr. Kayser came to America in 1938 from Czechoslovakia, where he was Professor of the History of Art in Brno. After doing research work at Columbia, the Emergency Committee in Aid of Displaced Foreign Scholars placed him with the Art Department of the University of California where he taught upper division Art courses. In 1946 he became Professor of History of Art at San Jose State College.

Through his research work at Columbia, and his collection of slides which is the largest private collection pertaining

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Message from the President

I am deeply touched by the signal honor you have conferred on me this evening by electing me your President and I thank you all from the bottom of my heart and hope I shall be equal to all your expectations and prove a worthy successor to Dr. E. D. Friedman and to his predecessor Jacob Friedman, Jr., affectionately known as our Uncle Yakob.

This is hardly the time to make a speech, because actions speak louder than words. I would rather you judged me a year from now by what I may accomplish than have you form an opinion of me at this time by what I may say.

There is, however, one thing I would like to call to your attention. According to the by-laws of the Synagogue, duties of the President are quite limited in scope, principally to preside at religious services. While I consider that of great importance, I hardly think it covers the field of a president's activities and I call it to your attention and particularly to the attention of the Board of Trustees for such revision as their judgment may dictate.

And while I am on the subject, I feel that there should be a corresponding duty on the part of the officers, the Board and the members to attend all services or as often as possible—if not twice a week, then once a week or once in two weeks or even once in three weeks. A full Synagogue is an encouragement to a Rabbi and Cantor—when the Synagogue is less than half filled, it is discouraging.

A member's obligation does not begin and end with the payment of dues, nor does an officer's or trustee's duties begin and end with the collection and disbursement of income; each member owes certain loyalties to the Synagogue and one is to attend services as often as possible. A President cannot do anything by himself. If, however, the members, officers and Board will pull together, then surely the Park Avenue Synagogue will not only be one of the most influential conservative Synagogues in the country, but will be *the* most influential Synagogue. I will do my utmost to make it so and rely on each one of you to help.

In conclusion, I pray God
To give me the patience to accept those things which cannot be changed
The courage to change those things which can be changed, and
The wisdom to know the difference.

—JACOB KLEIN

Message from the retiring Vice-President

I have been asked to speak tonight on the responsibilities of leadership.

We are a leading Synagogue and the first question we might ask ourselves is, "What is the meaning of leadership?" The concept of leadership involves comparison with others. No matter how progressive one standing alone is, he is hardly a leader unless there are others to be led. Comparison, therefore, though proverbially odious, is inevitable. Leadership involves also the idea of direction, a goal toward which it is to move.

The goal is clear and the task is urgent. It is to build an American Judaism, or if you prefer, Judaism in America. By definition, the task is not and cannot be confined to what goes on within the walls of our Synagogue or on the middle east side of Manhattan Island. Even if we were inclined to decline the larger task, it is still forced upon us because we cannot build a local Judaism in the Park Avenue Synagogue. We must become aware of the obvious fact that our Synagogue is dependent for its very existence upon the survival, the extension, the development in modern idiom of our Judaism. Judaism without a fountainhead of Jewish scholarship is an impossibility.

With this background, let us take a look at our position of eminence. What is it due to? There can be no doubt that it is due first to the eminence of the late Milton Steinberg. Milton Steinberg was, of course, a local Rabbi, but he was also a national leader, a pointer of ways and an inspiration to a whole generation of young Rabbis. David Putterman, our Cantor, is a Cantor of national standing in his profession, not only as an individual Cantor, but also because of his work for the Cantor's Assembly, an institution with which I dare say most of us in this room are wholly unfamiliar. Simon Noveck has already begun to take his place in national work and has recently been appointed Chairman of the United Synagogue Commission on Adult Education. In addition to these, there are a handful of men, members of our Synagogue, who as individuals do their share on the national scene. They do so not because they are members of the Synagogue but because they are devoted people. They merely happen to be members of our Synagogue. We have not created these people. We have not helped them. We did not make Milton Steinberg an outstanding Rabbi or David an outstanding Cantor. On the contrary, they have helped us. Their leadership has given us distinction. We shine by reflected light and the greatest light in which we shine is receding in time. If I may borrow an analogy from the laws of physics, its intensity diminishes as the square of the distance.

The function of a leader is to lead. If we are to be a leading Synagogue, if we are to be anything more than a mirrored surface, hollow behind, reflecting the leadership of others, we as a Synagogue must assume our share of leadership. We, the men and women of the congregation, are the Synagogue and we must ourselves begin to lead.

To do this we must have an understanding of our responsibilities. We must understand the impossibility of isolation. The problems of Judaism in America are our problems. The Park Avenue Synagogue has been and will continue to be the beneficiary of the work of others.

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Friday evening, February 22nd, Professor Robert MacIver, world renown thinker and author of the MacIver Report will speak at our Synagogue.

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They have given us our tradition, educated our Rabbis and teachers, written our books and without them we could not be for a single moment. Mere self respect, if nothing else, requires that we shall cease to be free riders and pay for what we get.

If we understand all this, it seems to me that we must do three things. First, we must assume our share of the cost. Ben Sack and I attend meetings of the Board of Overseers of the Seminary and sit as members of the National Board of the United Synagogue. At these meetings we hear reports of fund raising campaigns. These reports are a source of constant embarrassment to us because this Synagogue always has been a laggard in the matter of its contribution to the cost of the national movement. Other Synagogues which do not have our resources do far better, and we are a long way from meeting even a fair share of our responsibility in this regard. Second, we must contribute our share of talent and personnel. This Synagogue has a wealth of ability of all kinds which should be at the service of our national movement. Third, we must revise our internal program, so that as a Synagogue, rather than merely individuals, we may take a place in the councils of conservative Judaism. If we do these things, we will be doing merely our share. If we do these things better than others and point the way to others, we will be leaders.

A long time ago Rabbi Tarfon summed up in "Pirke Avoth", a book which some of us enjoyed reading on Saturday afternoons under the guidance of Rabbi Noveck. He said, "The day is short, and the work is great, and the laborers are sluggish, and the reward is much, and the Master is urgent."

ISRAEL B. Oseas

Workers are needed for Sisterhood's project at the New York Guild for the Jewish Blind. Please send the response card you received to Mrs. Jesse Haas, 330 East 31st Street. If you have not received a card and wish to work, contact Mrs. Haas.

Committee Organized For Seminary Brunch

A meeting of the committee organized to plan the Brunch on behalf of the Jewish Theological Seminary was held on January 23rd at the home of Mr. Morris Joffe. Those on the committee include: Mr. Benjamin Sack, Mr. Jacob Klein, Col. Melvin Krulewitch, Mr. and Mrs. Solomon Green, Mr. and Mrs. Saul Godwin, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Wimpfheimer, Mr. and Mrs. Israel Oseas, Dr. Hector Ritey, Mrs. Leonard Arkin, Mr. Archie Thurman, Rabbi Noveck and Cantor Putterman.

Every member of the Synagogue will be contacted to attend the Brunch which will be held on Sunday, March 2nd. There will be no charge for the Brunch, which will be prepared by the Sisterhood. This affair is being held in the interest of the Jewish Theological Seminary.

Mazel Tov

TO Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Grauer on their 11th Wedding Anniversary, February 14th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Sack on their 33rd Wedding Anniversary, on February 23rd.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Harry Halbren on their 25th Wedding Anniversary, January 11th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Peter Hauser on their 50th Wedding Anniversary, February 2nd.

TO Dr. and Mrs. I. B. Brodsky on their 20th Wedding Anniversary, February 11th.

TO Col. and Mrs. Melvin Krulewitch on their 15th Wedding Anniversary on February 18th.

TO Dr. and Mrs. Hector J. Ritey on their 10th Wedding Anniversary February 23rd.

TO Mrs. Jacob Schuckman on the Marriage of her daughter, Marion to Irving Kronheim.

TO Helene Baur and Philip Shapiro on their Marriage, January 10th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Barney Balaban on on the Marrage of their son, Leonard.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Greenwald on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Anthony Galt, February 2nd.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Asa Sokolow on the Birth of their daughter.

Please respond generously to Sisterhood's request for new merchandise to be sold at the Spring Bazaar. Send all contributions of stock to Bazaar, c/o Park Avenue Synagogue, 50 East 87th Street New York City, N. Y. Your help is urgently needed.

New Contributors Add To Steinberg Memorial

In past issues, the list of contributors to the Milton Steinberg Memorial Fund has appeared in its entirety. The following are more recent contributors, whose names have not appeared before.

In a later issue, the complete list will be published again.

In Memory of Joan Garfinkel
Dr. and Mrs. Charles S. Rogers

YOUTH NEWS

On February 3rd at 2 P.M. in the Vestry of the Park Avenue Synagogue, the youth groups will play host to the young people of Temple Emanuel of Parkchester and of Temple Anshe Chesed in Manhattan. The program which will be in honor of Jewish Music Month (February 9th to March 9th), will include individual musical presentations, as well as Israeli folk dancing to be led by a professional caller. This will be the first in a series of programs arranged under the auspices of the Metropolitan Council of United Synagogue Youth, which aims to bring together youth groups in Conservative congregations in the Metropolitan area. All young people are invited to attend this program on February 3rd.

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The Judah Halevi Society will hold its Mid-Winter Dance on Saturday, February 9th at 8:30 P.M. in the vestry of the Synagogue. Members of the B'nai Jeshurun Youth Group are helping to sponsor this affair. Refreshments will be served, door prizes awarded, and the music will be under the direction of Jonathan Greenwald and his orchestra.

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On Saturday, February 2nd at 8 P.M. the Intermediate Group of the synagogue and the Isaac Mayer Wise Society of Temple Israel will hold a dance at Temple Israel, 210 West 91st Street. The two groups have planned a full program including a band and refreshments.

SCHOOL NEWS

On February 10th the students of the Religious School will participate in the television broadcast from the Park Avenue Synagogue. The program will celebrate the observance of Jewish Music Month and Tu Bishevat. Students of the school, under the direction of Mrs. Fay Grand, the music teacher, will present a program of holiday songs for the occasion.

Dr. Stephen Kayser

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to Jewish ceremonial art in the world, the Seminary invited him to become the curator of the Jewish Museum in 1946. With the aid of his wife and Dr. Guido Schoenberger, formerly curator of the Jewish Museum at Frankfort-on-the-Main, he organized and opened the museum in May of 1947.

Since that date Dr. Kayser has not only expanded his museum but opened two branches; one in Los Angeles which is both west coast branch of the Seminary (The University of Judaism) and also the Jewish Museum; and the other in the Jewish Center in Miami Beach, Florida. He has made over 150 out-of-town exhibits in the most important provincial museums in the country.

Dr. and Mrs. Kayser, at present, are designing twelve huge stained glass windows for Temple Har Zion in Philadelphia. Six have already been completed. When the project is finished, it will be the largest project of its type in the world today.

Following services, Dr. Kayser will conduct a question and answer period in the Vestry of the Synagogue.

Mrs. Greenwald Becomes Registrar for Adult Education

Mrs. Stanley Greenwald has assumed the responsibilities of registrar for the Adult Education Committee. She will be in charge of registration, and keeping all records in connection with Adult Education, announced Mr. Harold Starkman, Chairman of the Committee on Adult Education.

Mrs. Greenwald, a graduate of Mt. Ida Junior College and the Fischer Finishing School is originally from Boston. While at college she majored in Biblical and World history. The mother of three children, she still finds time to be occupied with Synagogue activities. She and her husband Dr. Greenwald are active members of the Young Marrieds group.

Dinner

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of the affair, suggested that next year, those who wish to attend, make reservations early.

In a warm congenial atmosphere members participated in the program and listened with enthusiasm to the speakers. Rabbi Noveck gave the Invocation and Cantor Putterman led the congregation in Grace. After the dinner, the meeting was called to order by the Mr. Israel B. Oseas, the retiring First Vice-President. Mr. Benjamin Sack, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, delivered the annual report, a copy of which will be mailed, under separate cover, to each member. Mr. Oseas's message to the congregation appears elsewhere in this BULLETIN.

Mr. Joseph Howard Katz, the President of the Men's Club and Chairman of the Nominating Committee, presented the following candidates who were elected as officers and trustees of the Synagogue:

OFFICERS

President, Jacob Klein; 1st Vice-President, Sanford H. Cohen; 2nd Vice-President, I. M. Cohen; Treasurer, Arthur Ochs; Associate Treasurer, Dr. Harold Osserman; Executive Secretary, Emanuel Rosenthal; Chairman, Board of Trustees, Benjamin Sack, Vice-Chairman Board of Trustees, Ezra Cohen; Sisterhood Designee, Mrs. Samuel Wimpfheimer; Honorary President, Jacob Friedman, Jr.; Honorary Vice-President, Charles Weill.

TRUSTEES

For three years 1952-1953-1954, I. M. Cohen, Abraham N. Geller, Saul Godwin, Victor Herwitz, Benjamin Sack, Barney Schlinger, Harold R. Starkman, Helen Wimpfheimer.

Rabbi Noveck then inducted each officer. Mr. Jacob Klein, the new President of the Synagogue, delivered a brief message, which also appears elsewhere in this BULLETIN.

Anthony Geenwald to Hold Bar Mitzvah on February 2nd

Anthony Galt Greenwald, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Greenwald, will celebrate his Bar Mitzvah on Saturday, February 2nd. His portion will be Bo and his Haftorah from Jeremiah's prophecies.

Anthony, in the ninth grade at the Joan of Arc School, plans, upon graduation, to attend the High School of Music and Art. His ambition is to become a composer and arranger, following in his father's profession. He plays the trumpet.

He has attended the Park Avenue Religious School for seven years and has studied Hebrew for four years. His hobbies are sailing, tennis and baseball.

Israel Bond Drive

Members of the Park Avenue Synagogue are requested to support the State of Israel by subscribing to Government of Israel Bonds which pay 3½% interest per annum, and are payable in American dollars. There are two types:—

(1) Fifteen year Coupon Bonds on which interest is paid semi-annually; issued in denominations of from $500 to $100,00.

(2) Twelve year Savings Bonds which upon maturity will be redeemed at 150% of face value. Issued in denominations of from $50 to $10,000.

DATES TO REMEMBER!
Seminary Brunch—Sunday, March 2nd
Sisterhood Bazaar—
March 8, 9, 10 and 11

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Gill University. He was ordained as rabbi at the Seminary in 1932. In addition to his M.H.L. degree, he holds a B.S.S. from New York University, and a D.H.L. from the Seminary.

Following Rabbi Routtenberg's ordination, he served as spiritual leader of Kesher Zion Synagogue, Reading, Pa., from 1932-1948.

During World War II, Doctor Routtenberg served as chaplain in the U. S. Army, and was appointed as Senior Chaplain for the Jewish forces in the United Kingdom, holding the rank of major.

In 1948, Doctor Routtenberg was appointed Executive Vice- President of the Rabbinical Assembly of America, a post he has held until the reorganization of the Seminary Administration.

Doctor Routtenberg is the author of *Life and Works of Rabbi Joel Sirkes*, and contributed a number of articles to such publications as the National Jewish Monthly, The Reconstructionist; the R.A. Bulletin; the United Synagogue Review; the Torch; and the Canadian Jewish Chronicle.

Parents' Association Sponsors Service

The Parents Association conducted the Friday Evening Service at the Park Avenue Synagogue on January 11th. Dr. Abraham Halkin, Professor of History at the Teachers Institute of the Jewish Theological Seminary, was the guest speaker. He discussed "Jewish Education: its Role and Purpose." Several members of the Parents Association took part in the reading of the English and Hebrew prayers.

Following the Services, many of the congregants gathered in the Vestry, where they were welcomed by Mrs. Herman Helpern, Chairman of the Executive Board of the Parents Association. Cantor David Putterman led the audience in the singing of Sabbath songs. An interesting symposium based on the lecture followed. Dr. Halkin was most gracious in answering frankly and forthrightly the spirited questions put to him on provocative subjects.

Under the Chairmanship of Mrs. George Heyman and her Committee, refreshments were served at tables appropriately decorated by Mrs. S. Simon and Mrs. Stangel. Mrs. Jack Hoexter was Chairman of the evening.

PULPIT NOTES

On Saturday morning, February 9th, Mr. Harry J. Sokolow, a member of the Advisory Council will read. His portion will be "The Song Of Deborah" from the Book of Judges.

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mentator for the entire series, and members of the Synagogue.

These programs are designed for the education of the wider community about Judaism and the Jewish religion. The Park Avenue Synagogue is the only conservative congregation, thus far, to be chosen for this educational opportunity.

Welcome Back

TO Mrs. Solomon Green (Belle Federman) who has recently recovered from an operation.

TO Mrs. Benjamin Sack who has just recovered from an illness.

Dutch Supper Opens Sisterhood Bazaar Saturday Night March 8th

The cafeteria committee is planning a Dutch Supper for Saturday night March 8th. Mrs. Dorothy Gellert, Chairman of tickets, can be contacted at TE 8-7964. The price of the supper is $1 a person. You can help that evening or any of the three succeeding days and evenings the cafeteria is in operation, as a waitress or a waiter or as part of the kitchen assembly line. Please contact either Mrs. Sanford Cohen at AT 9-7638 or Mrs. Harry J. Sokolow AT 9-8708.

This will be a way of personally helping to make The Milton Steinberg Memorial an established reality. We need everyone's help in this endeavor.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Friday, February 1st ..... 8:30 P.M.
Dr. Stephen Kayser will discuss: "The New Synagogue—Challenge of Our Day"

Saturday, February 2nd ..... 10:00 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Anthony Greenwald

Monday, February 4th ..... 8:00 P.M.
Hebrew, Yiddish and Choral Classes
Professor Kosofsky: "What do Rabbis Think of Judaism?"
Dr. Leo Baeck will discuss: "The Essence of Judaism"
9:00 P.M.

Friday, February 8th ..... 8:30 P.M.
Rabbi Max Routtenberg will discuss: "Changing Standards in Synagogue Music"

Saturday, February 9th ..... 10:00 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach

Sunday, February 10th ..... 3:30 P.M.
Senior League Dance in Vestry

Monday, February 11th ..... 8:00 P.M.
Professor Kosofsky will discuss: "The Meaning of Prayer for Our Times"
Hebrew, Yiddish and Choral Classes
Rabbi Noveck will discuss: "The Jews in Colonial America"
9:00 P.M.

Tuesday, February 12th ..... 8:15 P.M.
Young Marrieds will hold Jewish Museum Tour

Tuesday, February 19th ..... 1:00 P.M.
Sisterhood Meeting
Miss Isobel Walters
Guest Singer

Tuesday, February 26th ..... 8:30 P.M.
Men's Club
Father George B. Ford and Dr. Everett R. Clinchy Brotherhood Week Guest Speakers

Senior League Plans Busy Winter Program

On January 24th, at 8:30 p.m., the Senior League held an open meeting in the Synagogue vestry. The speaker of the evening was Mr. Sidney Morgenbesser of the New School for Social Research and the Ethical Culture Society who addressed the group on "The Eclipse of Liberalism." The Senior League of the Spanish and Portuguese Synagogue were guests of the Park Avenue Synagogue Senior League. Following the meeting, refreshments were served.

On January 27th, at 8:30 P.M., a dance was held in the Vestry. Co-Chairmen of the affair were Miss Ethel Bearz and Mr. Russell Richmond.

On February 10th, at 3:30 P.M., there will be a gala dance in the Vestry. Music will be supplied by Jeno Bartel and orchestra. Refreshments will be served. As usual, proceeds of the dance will be donated to charity.

On February 28th, at 8:30 P.M., the Senior League will be proud and happy to have Cantor Putterman address the open meeting on "Jewish Music from Birth to Eternity." Both traditional and contemporary music will be included. The Synagogue, under the outstanding leadership of Cantor Putterman, has attained a notable position in the world of liturgical music and this evening will add greatly to the appreciation of the Jewish ceremonial. Everyone is welcome. The formal program will be followed by refreshments. Co-chairmen of the evening will be Mr. and Mrs. Louis I. Heller.

The annual Winter Week End of the Senior League is scheduled for February 15th. Reservations should be made as soon as possible by getting in touch with Chairman Armand J. Rosenberg, 226 West 97th Street. A fine, fun-loaded week-end has been planned.

The Senior League cordially invites all young folks of 21 years of age and over who are themselves, or through their families, associated with Synagogue, to join this group, and be active in the Jewish life of the community. The Senior League has a definite place in the life of the Synagogue and feels that it can fulfill its primary function only with the help of these young folks. Contact the membership chairman, Miss Therese Weiss, 2680 Broadway, New York.

Rabbi Will Launch Final Lecture Series

On Monday evening, February 11th, at 9:00 P.M., Rabbi Noveck will launch the final lecture series of the season on the Rise and Development of American Judaism. The opening lecture will be "The Jews in Colonial America".

Having surveyed the culture and civilization of Jews in classical times and the middle ages, and having discussed Judaism in eastern and western Europe in the last 100 years. Rabbi Noveck will deal with the story of Jewish Life in America. He will discuss the Jews in the Colonial period, the struggle for Jewish rights and the influence of Judaism of the American Constitution.

Sisterhood to Hear Isobel Walters Sing

Miss Isobel Walters, noted concert opera and radio artist will highlight the special program planned by Sisterhood for their Dessert Luncheon and Open meeting to be held on Tuesday, February 19th.

Miss Walters will sing a group of songs with commentary. Her appearances have always served as a magnet for those who love good singing. Her last Town Hall recital was a tremendous success. She has been the featured vocalist on a sponsored hour for years. A singer with dramatic expression, Miss Walters is a discriminating interpreter of international songs who conveys pleasure and gratification to her audiences.

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Father Ford, Dr. Clinchy to Address Men's Club for Brotherhood Week

The Men's Club annual Brotherhood meeting will be celebrated this year on Tuesday evening, February 26th. The Club is privileged and honored to present two leading Protestant and Catholic Theologians of national prominence; Dr. Everett R. Clinchy, the President of The National Conference of Christians and Jews, and Father George B. Ford of the Corpus Christi Church, New York City. They will discuss the subject, "The Relation of Brotherhood to Business, Political Economy, Education and Religion".

DR. EVERETT CLINCHY

Both speakers have dedicated their lives to promote justice, amity and understanding among Protestants, Catholics and Jews and to analyse and eliminate intergroup prejudices which disfigure and distort religious, business, social and political relations. Dr. Morris N. Kertzer, former associate Rabbi of Park Avenue Synagogue and presently Interfaith Director of the American Jewish Committee, will introduce the speakers and act as moderator.

Preceding the meeting, Rabbi Simon Noveck will deliver his monthly review of current Jewish events.

A question period and social hour will follow the meeting. All men are invited to attend this outstanding event.

Adult Classes to Hear Dr. Leo Baeck Speak

On Monday evening, February 4th at 9:00 P.M., Dr. Leo Baeck, world famed author and philosopher will climax the Milton Steinberg Jewish Theology Lecture Series with his lecture on "The Essence of Judaism". Dr. Baeck, Alumni visiting professor at the Hebrew Union College in Cincinatti, was formerly Rabbi of the famed Oranienburger Synagogue in Berlin.

The author of a number of books and articles on Judaism and Jewish Religion, he now resides in London, England.

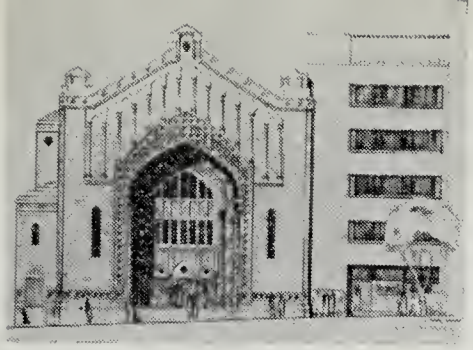
Dr. Sidney Kosofsky will continue his lectures in Psychology and Religion at 8:00 P.M. His topic Monday, February 4th will be "What do Rabbis Think of Judaism?", and on Monday, February 11th, he will discuss "The Meaning of Prayer for Our Times".

Young Married Group To Tour Jewish Museum

The next meeting of the Young Marrieds will be held at the Jewish Museum on Tuesday evening, February 12th. The group will assemble at 8:15 P.M. in the auditorium of the museum. From there they will tour the museum under the guidance of the curator, Dr. Stephen S. Kayser.

The last meeting of the group was held in the Vestry of the Synagogue. Dr. Hector Ritey, noted psychiatrist and member of the congregation addressed the group on the topic: "The Prevention and Detection of Juvenile Delinquency". He discussed the role of the parent in the development of the child's personality and behavior patterns. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Norman Cohen and her committee.

The Young Marrieds will sponsor the Friday evening services on February 29th. Members of the group will participate in the reading of both the English and Hebrew portions of the service.



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PROF. ROBERT MACIVER

Robert MacIver to be Speaker on Feb. 22nd

On Friday evening, February 22nd, at 8:30 P.M., the renowned Professor Robert Morrison MacIver, author of the MacIver Report, will speak at the Park Avenue Synagogue. The MacIver Report, advocating drastic reorganization and integrating of the activities of the American Jewish Committee, B'nai B'rith and other major Jewish organizations, has called forth a storm of criticism throughout the American Jewish Community.

Professor MacIver, who is Lieber Professor of Political Philosophy and Sociology at Columbia University since 1929, is a native of the Island of Lewis, Scotland. He studied at Edinburgh University and Oriel College Oxford. He was a lecturer in Political Science at Aberdeen University, a professor of Political Science at University of Toronto; Vice Chairman of the Dominion of Canada War Labor Board during World War I, Professor of Barnard College in 1927, Doctor of Literature at Columbia, 1929, Harvard, 1936, Princeton 1947, and Trustee at Russell Sage Foundation and New School, New York.

He has published a great many important works in the field of Sociology and Political Science.

Symposium on American "Zionism" To be Held Friday, February 15th

On Friday evening, February 15th, at 8:30 P.M. Dr. John Slawson, Executive Vice-President of the American Jewish Committee will participate with an important American Zionist in a symposium. The topic will be "The American Jew and the State of Israel". These two speakers represent different points of view of American Zionism and the relation of the American Jew to the future of the State of Israel.

This fall the American Jewish Committee passed a series of resolutions clarifying its attitude towards the relationship of the American Jew to Israel. These resolutions have created a great deal of controversy in the American Jewish community. The Council for Judaism has supported the point of view of the American Jewish Committee, while Hadassah and the American Zionists have spoken against it. This symposium will give the members of the congregation an opportunity to hear two outstanding speakers present both points of view on the subject.

An outstanding social welfare worker and social scientist, Dr. John Slawson has been Executive Vice-President of the American Jewish Committee since 1943.

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DR. JOHN SLAWSON

Prof. Grinstein, Rabbi Waxman To Lecture at Adult Education

On Monday evening, February 18th, at 9:00 P.M., Professor Hyman Grinstein, Registrar of the Teachers Institute of Yeshiva University, will deliver the second lecture in the Rise and Development of American Judaism Lecture Series. His topic will be "The Great Transplantation from Russia to America". Professor Grinstein, a native of Texas, studied in Israel at the Rabbi Elchanan Theological Seminary and at Columbia University. In 1944 he was appointed lecturer of Jewish History at Yeshiva University, and in 1951 he receive a professorship in Jewish History.

RESERVE THIS DATE!

On Friday, March 7th the eminent French Hebrew Musician, Dr. Leon Algasi of Paris, Music Director for the Union of French Hebrew Congregations will be the guest speaker at the Synagogue.

Dr. Algasi is coming here directly from France to join in our celebration of Jewish Music Month.

On Monday evening, February 25th, Rabbi Mordecai Waxman of Temple Israel, in Great Neck, Long Island, will speak on "The Development of a Jewish Culture in America". This will be the third lecture of the series. Rabbi Waxman who studied at the University of Chicago, did graduate work at Columbia University. He graduated as a Rabbi

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Sisterhood Bazaar Opens March 8th

Roll out the red carpet and strike up the band! There's a frenzied rush of preparation and excitement. We are getting ready for the most gigantic event thus far attempted in Sisterhood's history. Reserve the dates of March 8th, 9th, 10th and 11th for the gala Sisterhood Spring Bazaar.

Many grand awards await you, including a glamourous mink stole donated by Mr. Henry Greenhut. Award books have been distributed to all, and it is up to each individual to see that as many people as possible are given the opportunity to own this luxurious item. Mrs. Benjamin Sack, Chairman, hopes that these books will be filled quickly and announces that more are available. Time is getting short, so act quickly.

The Bazaar will be inaugurated by a Dutch Supper at the nominal fee of one dollar. This dinner will invoke the warm spirit of friendliness for which Sisterhood functions have long been noted.

Many kind friends and congregants have donated merchandise to be sold and used as prizes. All additional contributions of saleable articles are welcome and earnestly solicited. Such packages may be delivered or sent directly to the Synagogue, labeled Bazaar. It is requested that the name and address of the sender be enclosed so that proper appreciation may be shown.

A hilarious time is promised all participants. If you enjoy gaity, thrills and comraderie at its height, the Bazaar is the place for you. Sisterhood anxiously waits to greet you and your friends. Come early and stay late!

Are you on a Bazaar Committee?

Have you contributed merchandise?

Have you solicited your friends for merchandise.

Are you willing to help by participating and buying?

The answer should be "YES" to these questions to insure the Sisterhood Spring Bazaar your support!! This mammoth affair will be inaugurated by a Dutch Supper on Saturday March 8th and will continue with a series of exciting events March 9th, 10th and 11th.

Sisterhood to Hear Isobel Walters Sing

Sisterhood will hold a Dessert Luncheon and Open Meeting on Tuesday, February 19th. Miss Isobel Walters, famous concert and radio artist, will sing and interpret Jewish songs. Her appearances have always served as a magnet for those who love good singing. Her last Town Hall recital was a tremendous success. Only by attending this meeting can one fully appreciate the reasons for Miss Walter's outstanding popularity.

SCHOOL NEWS

The students of the Religious School will play hosts to their parents during the month of February.

Parents of students in the Hebrew Department are invited to visit the school on Saturday, February 16th to observe classes and to discuss the work of the school with the teachers. After class, the parents will participate in Sabbath services and partake of the Kiddush.

Parents of children in the Primary Department will similarly have an opportunity to observe the work done by the younger members of the school on Sunday, February 24th.

Pulpit Notes

On Saturday morning, February 16th, Mr. Jacob Klein, President of the Synagogue, member of the Board of Trustees and a member of the Ritual Committee, will read. His portion will be from the 6th Chapter of Isaiah.

THANK YOU !

Mr. Emmanuel Cohan, President of the Transvision Television Company has donated a 17 inch screen, 25 tube, table model Transvision Television set to the Sisterhood Bazaar. We deeply appreciate his generosity.

Results of Congregational Questionnaire

Is the subject of the sermon a factor in your attendance at late Friday Evening Services? If so, please check the subjects which interest you most:

99—Religion and Theology
195—General Social and World Problems
107—Zionism and Israel
187—Contemporary Jewish Problems
98—Personal and Psychological Problems
70—Review of Recent Jewish Books

What is your reaction to the language of the service? Which would you prefer?

29—More Hebrew
67—More English
278—The Present Division

What is your reaction to the musical portion of the service? Which would you prefer?

111—More Traditional Melodies
22—More New Creative Melodies
224—The Present Division

The Synagogue uses the Reconstructionist Prayer Book on Friday evenings and Saturday mornings. How would you describe your attitude toward this Prayer Book.

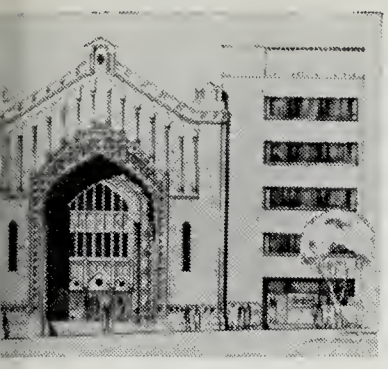
300—Satisfactory
36—Prefer a more Traditional Prayer Book
23—Prefer one less Traditional

The Adult Education progrem of the Synagogue is held on Monday evenings. Would you be interested in an additional Adult Class or series of lectures on Sunday morning?

Yes—35 No—68

Would you prefer that Adult Classes be held at 9:15 P.M. following the Friday evening Service, instead of Monday evenings?

Yes—88 No—111



Building Notes

The first meeting of the building committee this year was held in the Trustees Room of the Synagogue on January 24th at 8:30 P.M. Representative heads of all the organizations in the synagogue were present.

The meeting was called for the purpose of going over the preliminary plans of the architects and determining the recommendations to be made before the plans are finally submitted to the architects. The following topics were discussed: improvement of the Vestry Rooms, installation of elevators, facilities to display Religious objects, and a Succah to be placed on the roof of the new building.

Suggestions were later made by Dr. Robinson and Mrs. Wimpfheimer for cooking facilities which will be installed next to the Kindergarten so the children could have hot meals and the Sisterhood Sewing Circle would have a place to eat.

The air conditioning of the Chapel and Lounge as well as the Rabbi's, Cantor's and general offices was considered. Mr. Herwitz, on behalf of the School Board, suggested that the Lounge have subdivisions for small groups as well as accommodations for a large meeting.

The suggestions made at this meeting will be incorporated in the final plans and specifications, except with regard to the facade.

The facade of the building was discussed and a vote was taken to accept the suggested picture that was presented. This contains stained glass windows incorporating a symbol which will indicate a Memorial to Milton Steinberg, the details of which will be worked out by the Building Committee. The resolution was carried unanimously.

Dr. Slawson

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He not only has given intensive study to Jewish affairs in the United States but on the basis of extensive travel in Europe and Israel, has acquired a comrehensive knowledge of the nature and problems of Jewish life the world over. He has lectured widely in this country.

Dr. Slawson, who has had a distinguished career in Jewish social welfare, as executive director of the Jewish Board of Guardians and before that as executive head of the Detroit Jewish Welfare Federation, is a former president of the National Conference of Jewish Social Welfare. He has also served as an officer of the Welfare Council of New York; as an official of Governor Lehman's Conference on Crime and its Prevention; and as consultant on wartime delinquency for the United States Children's Bureau and the Social Security Board of the Federal Security Agency.

A leading psychologist, he has written authoritative works on juvenile delinquency, child welfare, mental hygiene and Jewish communal life. His book, "The Delinquent Boy," is considered a standard work in this field.

YOUTH NEWS

On February 17th, the Youth Department will be host to the Mid-Manhattan Youth Council, an organization formed for the purpose of bringing together Jewish young people affiliated with Conservative, Orthodox and Reform congregations. This first meeting of the Council will consist of a discussion of the aims and purposes of the group. Dancing will follow the business portion of the meeting. All of the youth groups will participate in the program.

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The Judah Halevi Socitey, composed of young people between the ages of 15 and 17 years, is planning a Havdalah ceremony and social evening with the Youth Group of Temple Anshe Chesed at Anshe Chesed on Saturday, February 23rd. The program, which is being conducted in accordance with the United Synagogue Sabbath Observance campaign, is being carefully planned by both groups.

On Sunday, February 24th, the Judah Halevi Society will meet in the vestry of the Synagogue to participate in an "Afternoon of Games".

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After much deliberation, the Junior Youth Group of the Synagogue has chosen a name. Hereafter, they are to be known as the Halutzim which means pioneers. The group hopes to live up to the significance of the chosen name.

In addition to participating in the Mid-Manhattan council meeting on February 17th, the Halutzim are planning a dance for Saturday, February 23rd at 8 P.M. in the vestry of the synagogue. Young people of the congregation between the ages of 13 and 14 years are invited to attend.

"ISRAEL SPEAKS" Needs Your Support

The existence of one of the most important publications on the Jewish scene in America is threatened by financial difficulties. We refer to ISRAEL SPEAKS, a paper which for over four years has brought to the American community a straightforward, objective, sympathetic and human picture of life in Israel. This is a paper which speaks for no organization, no party, no vested interest. It has brought a new and fresh kind of publication tradition to the American scene.

ISRAEL SPEAKS has never asked for money or cried "wolf". The dignified statement of its financial plight, and the urging of its readers to get other readers, which appeared in a recent issue must be responded to by all who want to see good reporting on the Israel scene continue in this country.

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TO Mrs. M. B. Picker on the Birth of a grandson, Michael B. Picker.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Harold Warshaw on the Birth of a son, Donald Mitchell.

TO Mr. Joseph I. Lubin upon receiving the Honorary Doctor of Laws Degree from Syracuse University.

General David Sarnoff To be Guest Speaker At Seminary Brunch

It has been announced by Mr. Morris Joffe, Chairman of the Seminary Brunch Committee, that the guest speaker at the affair will be the renowned Brigadier General David Sarnoff. In addition to General Sarnoff, an unusual program has been planned for the affair which will be held on Sunday, March 2nd.

Rabbi Noveck is making a personal appeal to the membership of the congregation to join with the committee and himself to insure the success of this Brunch. There will be no charge for the Brunch which will be prepared by the Sisterhood. This affair is being held in the interest of the Jewish Theological Seminary.

Those who are planning to attend should make early reservations. Contact either the Synagogue office or Mr. Morris Joffe, 25 East 86th Street, New York City, N. Y.

The Friday Evening Services on March 15th will be conducted by the New York Section of the Council of Jewish Women. The guest speaker will be Mrs. Louis Broido. Since Sisterhood will be hostesses to this group, it is requested by the president, Mrs. Samuel Wimpfheimer, that all members of Sisterhood plan to attend.

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Father Ford, Dr. Clinchy to Address Men's Club for Brotherhood Week

The Men's Club annual Brotherhood meeting will be celebrated this year on Tuesday evening, February 26th. The Club is privileged and honored to present two leading Protestant and Catholic Theologians of national prominence; Dr. Everett R. Clinchy, the President of The National Conference of Christians and Jews, and Father George B. Ford of the Corpus Christi Church, New York City. They will discuss the subject, "The Relation of Brotherhood to Business, Political Economy, Education and Religion".

Both speakers have dedicated their lives to promote justice, amity and understanding among Protestants, Catholics and Jews and to analyse and eliminate intergroup prejudices which disfigure and distort religious, business, social and political relations. Dr. Morris N. Kertzer, former associate Rabbi of Park Avenue Synagogue and presently Interfaith Director of the American Jewish Committee, will introduce the speakers and act as moderator.

Preceding the meeting, Rabbi Simon Noveck will deliver his monthly review of current Jewish events.

A question period and social hour will follow the meeting. All men are invited to attend this outstanding event.

Services Televised!

On Sunday morning, February 16th, at 10:55 A.M. the final of a series of four special services will be televised from the Park Avenue Synagogue. This series of services entitled "Television Chapel" is being conducted in cooperation with the American Jewish Committee and the New York Board of Rabbis for four consecutive Sunday Mornings on Station WPIX, Channel 11, from 10:55 A.M. to 12 noon.

The service to be held on February 16th will depict the role of the Jewish Chaplain in spiritual guidance, in his work in serving the men and women of the Armed Forces and also in his interfaith activities.

The National Associaton of Jewish Chaplains of the Armed Forces will conduct the Memorial Service. Representative Jewish Chaplains of the Army, Navy and Air Forces, including two who have just arrived from Korea, will be among those participating. A special memorial tribute will be paid to the Jewish Chaplains who sacrificed their lives in defense of their country. This series of programs has had a wide audience as evidenced by the fact that the Rabbi, the Cantor and the American Jewish Committee have received letters from people in New Jersey, Connecticut, Long Island and other parts of New York State concerning the broadcasts.

Adult Education

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from the Jewish Theological Seminary.

Dr. Sidney Kosofsky will continue his lectures in Psychology and Religion at 8:00 P.M. His topic Monday, February 18th will be "The Jewish Attitude Toward Immortality", and on Monday, February 25th, "Judaism and Conversion."

The courses in Hebrew, Yiddish and Choral Music will continue as usual, at 8:00 P.M.

Israel Oseas to be Speaker On United Synagogue Sabbath

On Saturday morning, February 16th, in honor of the United Synagogue Sabbath, Mr. Israel Oseas will be the guest speaker. Mr. Oseas, formerly Vice-President of the congregation and a member of the Ritual Committee, is a member of the National Board of the United Synagogue. His topic will be "The United Synagogue Sabbath" and he will discuss the aims and purposes of that group.

Every year one Friday night and Saturday morning is set aside as United Synagogue Sabbath. At this time, in pulpits throughout the country, the aims and objectives of the United Synagogue are discussed. This year, the Conservative Movement is launching a nationwide Sabbath Observance Program. This is a part of the program sponsored by the United Synagogue of America.

Yizkor Elohim

DR. HENRY H. HAFT
brother of Abraham, Jules, Morris, Samuel and Harry Haft and Mrs. Lazarus Joseph

EVA MANACHER
mother of Duke Manacher

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GALA BAZAAR OPENS MARCH 8th!

The grand opening of the Sisterhood Bazaar will be Saturday evening, March 8th, at 6:00 P.M. in the Vestry of the Synagogue. The affair, under the Chairmanship of Mrs. Benjamin Sack, will be inaugurated by a gala Dutch Supper of juicy succulent turkey accompanied by appetizer, vegetables, and dessert. Bargains galore, as well as games, prizes and fun are promised to all! Supper will be served on March 9th and 10th also, and the menus will be varied on those evenings. Tickets are on sale for these suppers at the nominal fee of $1. Other refreshments will be served at inexpensive prices during the day and evening.

The food concession, to be known as "Cafe a la Park Avenue," is under the able chairmanship of Mrs. Harry J. Sokolow and Mrs. Sanford Cohen. These names are guarantees of excellence in the culinary field.

The Bazaar, which will continue March 8th, 9th, 10th and 11th, will feature such outstanding donations as a glamorous mink stole, donated by Mr. Henry Greenhut, a 17-inch Transvision Television Set from Mr. Emmanuel Cohan, and the latest donation of a colored etching by Mr. Joseph Margulies, a renowned artist. Thanks are given to these

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Dr. Leon Algazi to be Speaker on March 7th

On Friday evening, March 7th at 8:30 P.M., the congregation will be privileged to have as guest speaker Dr. Leon Algazi, from Paris, France, who will speak on "Traditional Music of the French Synagogue." With this service the Synagogue will have completed a full month of musical activities in celebration of Jewish Music Month.

Dr. Algazi is an eminent composer, conductor and critic. He is held in great esteem in the musical circles in France. He is the Musical Director of the Union of Hebrew Congregations of France. A former rabbinical student and a brilliant music student under Paul Ducas at the Paris Conservatory of Music, he is also the Director of the "Voice of Israel", the French State Radio and the author of many musical and literary works. He is

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Young Marrieds Sponsor Services February 29th, Dr. Petegorsky to Speak

On Friday evening, February 29th at 8:30 P.M. the Young Marrieds will sponsor the Services. Dr. David W. Petegorsky, a member of the Executive Committee of the World Jewish Congress, will be the guest speaker. His topic will be "Current Programs for Jewish Survival". Members of the Young Marrieds will participate in reading both the Hebrew and English portions of the services. Those participating are: Mrs. Charles Petcheck, Mr. William Riemer, Mr. Warren Ring-

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Gen. David Sarnoff to Speak at Seminary Brunch

On Sunday morning, March 2nd, at 11:00 A.M., Brigadier General David Sarnoff will be the guest speaker at a Brunch to be given in the interest of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America. This Brunch is being sponsored by the Seminary Committee of the Synagogue, under the Chairmanship of Mr. Morris Joffe. This committee, with Rabbi Noveck as Honorary Chairman, includes: Mrs. Leonard Arkin, Mr. Saul Godwin, Mr. Saul Green, Mrs. Joseph Howard Katz, Mr. Jacob Klein, Mr. Henry Koch, Col. Melvin Krulewitch, Mr. Isaac Lieberman, Mr. Israel Oseas, Cantor Putterman, Judge Simon Rifkin, Dr. Hector Ritey, Mr. Benjamin Sack, Mr. Archie Thurman and Mrs. Samuel Wimpfheimer.

Dr. Louis Finkelstein, Chancellor of the Seminary, will open the program at the Brunch. This program will include along with General Sarnoff, one of the most popular of the Eternal Light Programs "Abe Lincoln at Sinai".

GENERAL DAVID SARNOFF

Although this Brunch is being given in the interest of the Seminary, no public announcement of contributions will be made, for each person will be given a pledge card, through which he may contribute according to his means.

All arms and affiliated groups of the Synagogue have pledged their cooperation in this indispensible effort. Mr. Joseph Howard Katz, President of the Men's Club, who has personally undertaken to contact many members of his group, has said that:

"One of the purposes of the Men's

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DR. LEON ALGAZI

Music Service

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an intimate friend of some of the outstanding Jewish musical creators of our day, Ernest Bloch, Darius Milhaud, Edmond Fleg, Frederick Jacobi and others.

Dr. Algazi was invited to America by a Committee of renowned musicians and musicologists, among whom are Lazare Saminsky, Music Director of Temple Emanuel and our own Cantor Putterman. Our Synagogue will be the first to be honored by his presence.

Cantor Putterman has arranged a service program of special musical interest which will combine both traditional and new Synagogual musical creativity, and also include several musical compositions by Dr. Algazi.

Following services a reception will be tendered in the Vestry in honor of Dr. Algazi.

WELCOME HOME

TO Mr. Dudley Greenstein who has just returned, with his wife, from service in the Armed Forces.

Now is the time to avail yourself of the opportunity to own a glamorous mink stole donated by Mr. Henry Greenhut. His generosity permits us to award this luxurious gift at the Bazaar on Monday evening, March 10th. The award books are due; send in checks for as many as possible immediately!

Seminary Brunch

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Club is to further the spiritual work of Park Avenue Synagogue. We men are therefore dedicated to the ideals of helping to build a richer Jewish life for us and for the American Jewish community. No project is more important than helping to support the Jewish Theological Seminary. Its University of Judaism, the Eternal Light, the Library, the Jewish Museum, the Institute for Religious and Social Studies and the Leaders Training Fellowship, are all part of the Seminary. Through them the age-old truths of Judaism are being transmitted to the hearts and minds of millions, and with them we of the Men's Club strive to perpetuate Jewish life, culture, ideals and institutions compatible always with the American way of life."

The Sisterhood, under the Chairmanship of Mrs. Helen Wimpfheimer, its President, has arranged to make and serve the Brunch. Members of Sisterhood will also act as hostesses for the affair. In addition to a full course Brunch which will include bagels, lox, eggs and other delicacies, the members will have the unique pleasure of being personally served by the women of the Sisterhood While the list is not yet complete, among those who have volunteered are: Mrs. Saul Godwin, Mrs. Louis Greenstein, Mrs. Sadye Cohen, Mrs. Milton Heller, Mrs. Morris Joffe, Mrs. Joseph Katz, Mrs. Harry Nievert, Mrs. Hector Ritey and Mrs. Archie Thurman.

Support has been given by the Senior League who is planning a donation of several hundred dollars, from its budget, to the Seminary. Students of the Religious School have also pledged a contribution of $75.

The guest speaker, Brigadier General David Sarnoff is best known as the Chairman of the Board of the Radio Corporation of America. He received a special award at the World Brotherhood Dinner at the Seminary last year. Active in civic and cultural activities, General Sarnoff is a member of the Council of New York University; a director and member of the Executive Committee of the Metropolitan Opera Association, Inc., Pan American Society of the United States, and the Chatham Square Music School, of which he is also Chairman of the Board; a trustee of Pratt Institute and of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis. In recent years, he and his family have been vitally interested in the work of the Seminary and the future of Jewish Culture in America.

From the response cards which have been received, a great many of the congregation are planning to attend this outstanding affair. All members and their families are invited to attend this Brunch for which there is no charge, as guests of the committee and the Sisterhood. They will hear the message of the Seminary (and the correlated program to be presented) for a better understanding of that institution with which the Park Avenue Synagogue, through its membership in the United Synagogue and through its rabbi, cantor and teachers, has long been associated.

SCHOOL NEWS

Special Purim services for the students of the Religious School have been scheduled for Monday, March 10th at 4:30 P. M. in the Synagogue. At this time the Megillah will be read and hamentashen will be served.

Parents of children in the Primary and Hebrew Departments are invited to attend the service with their children.

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Washington's Birthday, this year, gave the school an opportunity to review the influences of Judaism on American democratic life. The discussion at the Junior Congregation Services showed how the Old Testament ideas were part of the thinking of the men who made our constitution. The Old Testament was one of the inspirations of those who fought for freedom and liberty. Symbolic of this feeling is the quotation from Leviticus which is inscribed on the Liberty Bell, "Proclaim liberty throughout the land, unto all the inhabitants thereof."

Through the kindness of the Parents' Association and its very active class mothers and holiday workshop committee an appropriate holiday table was set and the students were served cherry tarts.

Metropolitan Council Holds Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting of the Metropolitan Council of the United Synagogue was held on Thursday, January 10th at the Jewish Theological Seminary. Reports of the progress of the Council were submitted.

Mr. Leon Kohn, Chairman of the Board of Education, reported an increase in enrollment in the United Synagogue Schools of over 17%. The total number of pupils is now over 15,000.

Mr. Manuel Sydney, Chairman of the committee on New Congregations, reported that, in the past year, ten new congregations were organized and guided under the auspices of the Metropolitan Council.

The Chairman on United Synagogue Youth reported the development of a new teen-age branch of the United Synagogue. A Conference was held in December followed by a Charter Convention of many synagogue youth groups.

Officers were nominated and elected for the coming year. Mr. Israel Oseas was elected Honorary President and Mr. George Maislen, President of the Organization.

Young Marrieds

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ler, Mrs. Marvin Robinson, Mr. Asa Sokolow and Mr. Sidney Silberman.

Other members who will act as ushers for the evening include: Mr. Norman Blumstein, Mr. Charles Jacobson, Dr. Marvin Robinson and Dr. Nathan Schifirin. An Oneg Shabbat will be held in the Vestry following the services and Mrs. Norman Cohen, Mrs. Seymour Finklestein and Mrs. Warren Ringler will be in charge of refreshments.

A native Canadian, Dr. David W. Petegorsky has studied, travelled and worked in Canada, the United States and Europe. He holds his A.B. and rabbinical degrees from Yeshiva College, New York City, and received his Ph.D. in political science at the London School of Economics in 1940. On his return to the United States in 1940, he was appointed to the faculty of Antioch College as a member of the Department of Government. In 1942, he was appointed Director of the Industrial Division of the Canadian Wartime Information Board, a position he held until he was named Executive Director of the American Jewish Congress in October 1945.

In 1948 he was named a member of the Executive Committee of the World Jewish Congress.

Mazel Tov

TO Mr. Julius Guggenheimer on his 84th Birthday, February 2nd.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Jack Isaacs on their 40th Wedding Anniversary, February 4th

TO Mr. and Mrs. Milton Weill on their 30th Wedding Anniversary, March 5th

TO Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Friedman Jr. on their 47th Wedding Anniversary March 6th.

TO Mr. Jacob Klein on his Birthday.
TO Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Greenstein on their 2nd Wedding Anniversary, March 12th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Janovic on their 20th Wedding Anniversary, March 14th.

TO Mr and Mrs. Saul Godwin on their 23rd Wedding Anniversary, March 14th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Murray Gillette on the Marriage of their daughter, Rita to Dr. Robert Gottsegen on March 2nd.

TO Florence Duke and Mr. Irving Kram on their recent Marriage.

TO Dr. and Mrs. Sam Berenbaum on the Birth of their daughter, Nancy Ann.

TO Mrs. Sadie Collier on the Birth of her granddaughter, Shelley Eiber.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Manfred Rochelson on the Birth of a son, Edgar, and to his grandmother, Mrs. Theresa Rochelson.

TO Dr. and Mrs Morris Kaplan on the Marriage of their daughter, Marilyn Lee to Mr. George F. Gershel Jr.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Louis Greenstein on the Engagement of their son, S. Robert, to Miss Janice Glantz.

The next open meeting of the Parents' Association will be held on March 19th, in the Vestry. The topic for discussion will be "Jews from Many Lands" and will include a talk by Esther Gershoni, an Indian Jewess; Joseph ben Yochanan, a Falasha Jew, and Ludwig Nadelman from Ecuador. Further details will appear in the next Bulletin.

New Contributors Add To Steinberg Memorial

In past issues, the list of contributors to the Milton Steinberg Memorial Fund has appeared in its entirety. The following are more recent contributors, whose names have not appeared before.

In a later issue the complete list will be published again.

Dr. and Mrs. Samuel L. Beranbaum
Emmanuel M. Cohan Foundation
Mr. and Mrs. David Fogelson
Mr. and Mrs. Leon Seiden

YOUTH NEWS

On Saturday evening March 1st the Judah Halevi Society will participate in a Square Dance program as guests of the B'nai Jeshurun Youth Group. This will be a reciprocal visit since our Youth Group played host to the B'nai Jeshurun group at a dance held on February 9th.

As part of their active program for March, the Judah Halevi Society has planned a tour of places of interest in New York for Sunday afternoon March 2nd.

On March 9th this group will engage in a discussion with members of the Anshe Chesed Youth Group. The topic, "Why we should observe the Sabbath", was chosen because of the United Synagogue Sabbath observance campaign being conducted this year. Richard Berkman, chairman of the Judah Halevi debating committee, will represent the Synagogue on the panel.

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The last meeting of the Intermediate Group took place on February 24th. At that time, members saw the film "Emile Zola" with Paul Muni which was followed by a discussion on anti-Semitism as observed both in the film and in the daily life of the Jew.

The next program of the Intermediate Group will take place on March 16th and will be devoted to the Purim festival.

Seminar to Meet Mar. 2nd

The next meeting of the College Seminar will be held on Sunday morning, March 2nd, at 11:00 A.M., in the Trustees Room of the Synagogue. All people of college age, as well as recent college graduates, are cordially invited.

Jesse Jaruby, a member of the group, will give a report on "The Jews of North Africa". This is part of the current series "The Jews of Many Lands".

Adult Classes to Hear Abraham Duker Lecture

A new series on the Rise and Development of American Judaism began on Monday, February 11th, with a lecture on Colonial America. Rabbi Noveck emphasized the importance of the study of American Jewish history at this juncture. In 1954 American Jewry will celebrate the 300th anniversary of the coming of Jews to America. This course is in preparation for the celebrations which will take place all over America.

On Monday evening, March 3rd, at 9:00 P.M., Mr. Abraham G. Duker will deliver the third lecture of the series on the Rise and Development of American Judaism. His topic will be "The Jewish Labor Movement in America". Mr. Duker is well known as an author, editor and lecturer. Perhaps his best known editorial achievement is the founding and editing of the CONTEMPORARY JEWISH RECORD, now published as "Commentary". He was associate editor of the "Reconstructionist" and other publications, and is co-author of "The Jews in Post War World". Mr. Duker is instructor in Modern Jewish History at the Seminary School for Jewish Studies of the Seminary.

Dr. Sidney Kosofsky will continue his lectures in Psychology and Religion at 8 P.M. His topic Monday evening, March 3rd will be "The Mature Jewish Personality". Hebrew, Yiddish and Choral classes will be held, as usual, at that time.

Since Monday, March 10th is Purim, there will be no Adult Education classes held that evening. Classes will continue on March 17th.

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Annual Purim Party, Bazaar Supper Planned by Sisterhood March 10th

This year's congregational Purim Party will be held on Monday evening, March 10th. It is being sponsored by the Sisterhood who will serve refreshments and conduct Purim Games in the Vestry. Since the Bazaar will be in full swing, members will have the opportunity to come, with their children, for the supper at the Bazaar and hear the reading of the *Megillah* upstairs at 8:00 P.M. Supper will be priced at $1 and will be served from 5:30 P.M.

The following people have been invited to participate in the reading of the *Megillah*: Mr. Lawrence Bangser, Mrs. Solomon E. Green, Mr. Dudley Greenstein, Mrs. Stanley Greenwald, Mr. Lester Metzger, Mr. Lawrence A. Meyers, Mr. Sidney Mishkin, Dr. Irwin Rome, Mrs. Sigmund Siegel, Mr. Leonard Stone, Mr. Harold Warshaw and Mr. LeRoy Weisburger.

All members, their children and friends are invited to attend this gala Purim celebration.

Parents' Association To Give Purim Parties

The Parents' Association has planned various Purim parties for the children of the Park Avenue Synagogue Religious School.

On March 9th, there will be individual class parties which will feature dramatic presentations portraying the spirit of Purim. In addition, several home parties are being arranged. The annual Purim Carnival will take place on March 16th, in the Vestry.

The Saturday morning Junior Congregation Service held on Saturday, February 23rd, was dedicated to the observance of George Washington's birthday. The sermon was based upon a discussion of the spirit of democracy, as expressed in the days of George Washington and written into the Bill of Rights. The principles, upon which this government was founded, were traced to the teachings of the Jewish prophets and sages of biblical times. Several teachers and children participated in the program.

The celebration of George Washington's birthday was continued on Sunday morning, February 24th. Mrs. Edward Joseph supervised the square dances in the class rooms. Several children took part in dramatic sketches. On both occasions, the Parents' Association, under the capable chairmanship of Mrs. Stanley Simon, served the children cherry tarts and punch in keeping with the spirit of the holiday.

Sisterhood Dessert Meeting Scheduled For March 18th

Sisterhood will hold their Dessert Luncheon and Open Meeting on Tuesday, March 18th. Selma Burnett Sternbach, renowned actress, lecturer and creative story teller will be the guest artist. She will do a stirring dramatization of Leo W. Schwartz's anthology of Jewish self portraits.

Young Marrieds to Hold March Social Meeting

The next meeting of the Young Marrieds will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Finkelstein, 737 Park Ave., on March 18th at 8:30 P.M. The meeting will be a social one.

On Tuesday evening, Feb. 12th, the Young Marrieds met at the Jewish Museum. Dr. Stephen Kayser, the Curator of the Museum, conducted the group and gave an interesting commentary at the same time.

Of particular interest to the group were the Jewish Ceremonial objects, some exquisitely embroidered Torah curtains and beautiful china Passover plates. There was also a unique replica of King Solomon's Palace and Temple.

Bazaar

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generous patrons and to the many others who have sent merchandise.

Booth workers are urgently needed to man the booths during the day and evening. All volunteers are urged to contact Mrs. Jacoby, Booth Chairman, SAcremento 2-7773 or Mrs. Nievert, merchandise Chairman, TEmpleton 8-1682.

Yizkor Elohim

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brother of Mr. Solomon E. Green

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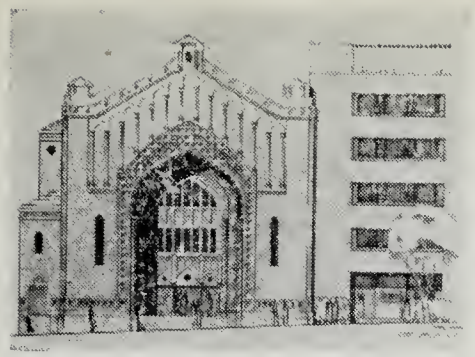

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MEMORIAL BUILDING SITE ACQUIRED!

On Tuesday, February 26th, the Park Avenue Synagogue acquired title to the Memorial Building site adjacent to the Synagogue, after it had been under contract for purchase for more than a year. Present at the closing of title were Benjamin Sack, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Arthur Ochs, Treasurer and Joseph Howard Katz who acted as attorney for the Synagogue. Now that all legal obstacles have been removed and the Synagogue has complete possession of the property, demolition of the present building will be authorized as soon as the Bazaar is over.

The plans of the architects for the educational edifice have been approvide by the Board of Trustees and Mr. Saul Godwin, Chairman of the Building ommittee, reports that "the Building Committee is making great progress on all fronts. Kelly and Gruzen, the architects, are working on final plans and specifications. The builders are about to submit construction estimates, and Dr. Stephen Kayser, of the Jewish Museum is being consulted concerning the artistic design of the facade. The payment of all pledges is urged, as substantial amounts of money will be required as we proceed, and failure of payment may cause undue delays in the completion of the building".

This building which will serve as a memorial to Rabbi Milton Steinberg, will be a constant reminder of the great ideals which his life symbolized. It will provide classrooms and club rooms needed for the Synagogue's rapidly expanding educational program, a small chapel for weddings and office space for the Rabbi, Cantor and Executive Director. It behooves every member of our congregation to make what payments he can so that this great dream will become a reality.

National Council Of Jewish Women To Hold Services

On Friday evening, March 17th, at 8:30 P.M., the New York Section of the National Council of Jewish Women will sponsor the services. Services will be conducted by Rabbi Noveck and Cantor Putterman, and Mrs. Louis Broido, President of the New York Section, will be the guest speaker. Her topic will be "Rebekah Kohut: A Pioneer Volunteer in Jewish Social Service". This year's Council Sabbath will be a memorial to Rebekah Kohut, one of the founders of the New York Section of Council.

Besides Mrs. Broido's duties as President of the New York Section she is Chairman of the Board of United Service for New Americans, a member of the Board of the Council Child Development Center, a member of the Board of the New York Association for New Americans, and was a delegate to the White House Midcentury Conferences on Family Life, Children and Youth—1950.

Following services, there will be a

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Sisterhood Services on March 21st

On Friday evening, March 21st, at 8:30 P.M. the Sisterhood of the Park Avenue Synagogue will sponsor the Friday evening Services. Mrs. Ruth Gruber, widely known author and lecturer, will be the guest speaker. Her topic will be "Israel Without Tears". Members of the Sisterhood will participate in the reading of the services both in Hebrew and English. The conducting of the services follows the precedent established last year, for each of the affiliated groups to sponsor one service each year. Thus far, the College Seminar, Men's Club, Young Marrieds and Parents' Association have sponsored Friday evening services. Services will be followed by an Oneg Shabbat sponsored by Sisterhood ni the Vestry.

MRS. RUTH GRUBER

Mrs. Gruber, who is a foreign correspondent for the NEW YORK HERALD TRIBUNE, is a frequent contributor to magazines, and the author of several books, the most recent of which are "Destination Palestine" and "Israel Without Tears". Since the close of World War II, she has made six trips to Israel for the HERALD TRIBUNE, and a series of articles by her will appear in the HERALD TRIBUNE at the time of her guest appearance at the Synagogue. Mrs. Gruber has a first hand knowledge of Israel and its people such as few Americans possess. All Sisterhood members, as well as the entire congregation, should plan to attend this service.

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The following article appeared in the January issue of the NEWS LETTER *of the New West End Synagogue of London, the outstanding congregation in the United Synagogue in England.*

One of the visitors to our Synagogue during the past summer was Rabbi Simon Noveck of the Park Avenue Synagogue in New York. This is a conservative Congregation with a membership of some 750 families representing a cross-section of New York City. Though in its ritual and observance it is between the Orthodox and Reform, this Synagogue is similar in its location and composition to our own and a review of its activities may be of interest.

Religious Services

Like other American Congregations, the Park Avenue Synagogue has a very impressive list of activities by virtue of which the Synagogue becomes a vital religious centre as well as a house of worship. In its religious services the attempt is made to blend the old with the new, to retain as much of the traditional framework as possible and yet to leave room for experiment and variety in the Synagogue service. The Friday evening services, at a fixed time of 8:30 p.m. form one of the most popular Synagogue services and they are followed by addresses from distinguished individuals on subjects of Jewish interest.

Adult Education

Apart from the Synagogue services, the most important activity is, appropriately, adult education. From the beginning of November to the end of March there are a variety of study courses which are all well attended. This winter there are to be lecture courses on Jewish History during the past Century, Jewish Theology and The Rise and Development of American Judaism. In addition, there are small seminars and discussion groups led by well known scholars and dealing with more specialised subjects. There are classes in modern Hebrew and even courses in the Yiddish language and literature.

Societies

Attached to the Synagogue are a number of clubs and societies, each catering for special interests. The Men's Club holds monthly meetings dedicated to promoting cultural and spiritual projects of the Synagogue and to aiding communal projects in the community at large. There is a "Young Marrieds" group of young people belonging to or intending to affiliate with the Synagogue. Their activities cover both social and cultural aspects and they too hold monthly meetings. A very important group is the Parents' Association which is the liaison between the religious school and the home. They hold four open meetings during the year with guest speakers who discuss Jewish educational topics. They run parties for the children on all major holidays and they hold an annual Book Fair to stimulate interest in Jewish books. The Parents' Association also organises a boy scout group, a library, and supervises youth activities.

Not unnaturally in the United States where so much communal activity is undertaken by women, the Ladies Guild, called the Sisterhood, is intensely active. The Sisterhood serves the welfare and advances the work of the Synagogue and religious schools and does a great deal of general charitable work.

A Junior League corresponds to our Communal Centre and is open to young people between the ages of 21 and 35. Through social gatherings, discussion groups, literary meetings and dramatic presentations the Junior League tries to imbue and stimulate the proper spirit and interest in positive Judaism.

The Children

Finally, the religious school consists of a Primary Department for children btween the ages of 5 and 10. For children between 10 and 15 there are classes meeting 3 times a week. There is a Barmitzvah and Basmitzvah Preparatory School, but this requires a minimum of 3 years attendance in the Senior School as a pre-requisite to membership. Confirmation takes place at the age of 15 as a culmination of the formal educational programme. Also under this Department is a Junior Congregation which conducts services on Sabbath, Festivals & High Holydays. Instructional media in the classes include the use of music, art, dance, visual aids, newspapers, parties, excursions and modern classroom techniques.

With such an energetic programme a great deal of financial support is expected and received from its membership. Funds are raised through membership dues which, as in the Spanish and Portuguese Congregation in London are assessed in accordance with income and they range from $100 to $1,000 a year (£35 to £350).

On March 28th we shall commemorate the 2nd Yarzeit of Rabbi Milton Steinberg. Rabbi Noveck will speak on the theme "What Milton Steinberg Believed" and the traditional kaddish prayer will be recited by the entire congregation in memory of this great leader, teacher and saint.

letter to the editor

Dear Editor:

I have received a few telephone calls complaining about some offensive remarks made by one of the speakers at a recent Monday night Adult Education lecture. May I, through the columns of the Bulletin, offer my apologies to any of our members who may have been affronted. I do not condone some of the statements that were made and, together with Rabbi Noveck, completely disagree with the point of view of the speaker.

I should like to direct attenton to the policy of the Adult Education Committee of maintaining an open forum for the free expression of ideas. During recent years, we have presented diverse points of view from our pulpit and at the Monday night lectures. These have included Ethical Culture. Jewish Science, Community Church, Zionist and non-Zionist, Orthodox, Conservative, and Reformed viewpoints. Representatives of the American Jewish Committee, American Jewish Congress, B'nai B'rith, and outstanding Jews from Germany, Israel, England, France, Poland and Russia have spoken to us. It is not the policy of the Committee to restrict the speakers in any way or to request advance copies of their talks for censorship purposes.

Whilst I sincerely regret some of the lecturer's remarks, I am certain that these will be counter-balanced in the long run by the point of view of other speakers whom the congregation will hear at our services and lectures.

HAROLD R. STARKMAN
Chairman
Committee on Adult Education

SCHOOL NEWS

On Sunday, March 16th, the school will hold its annual Purim Carnival in the vestry of the Synagogue. The vestry will be gaily decorated in the latest Purim fashion. The children, dressed in colorful costumes, will have an opportunity to test their ability at games of skill which will be featured at the many booths. A major attraction of the carnival will be the annual costume parade. All the money raised at the carnival will go into the Keren Ami fund for distribution to worthy organizations at the end of the school year.

Parents, who need assistance in the preparation of holiday costumes for their children, are invited to attend the Parents' Association Holiday Workshop which will be held at the Synagogue on March 12th and 13th.

Even if you're too late to win the stole, send in your raffle books. All contributions go to the Milton Steinberg Memorial Building. Mail all checks to the Chairman, Mrs. Emanuel Rosenthal, 50 East 87th Street, New York City. Your support is needed!

PULPIT NOTES

On Saturday morning, March 8th Mr. Sidney Silberman, member of the Ritual Committee and the Young Marrieds, read the 15th Chapter from the Book of Samuel.

On March 15th, Mr. Bernard Weinflash, President of the Senior League, will read the Haftorah, Chapter 36, from the Book of Ezekiel.

Mr. Solomon E. Green, will be honored on March 22nd. He will read Chapters 45 and 46 from the Book of Ezekiel.

Rabbi Noveck now has a direct telephone line from the Synagogue to his home, and can be reached in both places through the Synagogue switchboard. Members wishing to contact the Rabbi during the day should call SAcremento 2-8765, and if he is not in, leave their name and telephone number. Rabbi Noveck can be reached in the evening through his home phone.

The Annual Passover Community Seder will be conducted by Rabbi Noveck and Cantor Putterman on Thursday evening, April 10th at 6:30 P.M. Call Synagogue office for reservations. SAcremento 2-8765. "Those wishing to attend should reserve their places early," advised Mrs. Harry J. Sokolow, Chairman of the affair. Many were turned away last year as only a limited number could be accommodated.

Mazel Tov

TO Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Spiegel on their 23rd Wedding Anniversary, March 7th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Salmon on the Birth of their son, Michael David, and to his Grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Baumritter.

TO Mr. and Mrs. David Hoexter on their 52nd Wedding Anniversary, March 19th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Leon Finley on their 15th Wedding Anniversary, March 21st.

TO Mrs. Tillie Heller on her 87th Birthday, March 23rd.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Edward Peiper on their 26th Wedding Anniversary, March 24th.

TO Mrs. Emma Luebeck on her 89th Birthday, March 26th.

TO Mrs. Frieda Ochs on her 86th Birthday, March 26th.

TO Dr. and Mrs. Sigmund Siegel on their 10th Wedding Anniversary, March 29th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Tubie Resnik on their 10th Wedding Anniversary, March 31st.

TO Dr. and Mrs. Felix Jacobi on the Birth of a grandson.

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panel discussion in the Vestry. The topic will be "Jewish Social Welfare, 1952—The Volunteer and the Professional". Dr. Kenneth Johnson, Dean of the New York School of Social Work, will act as Moderator. The Panel will be composed of Chairman, Mrs. Albert J. May of the Jewish Observance Committee, New York Section; Mr. Louis H. Sobel, Executive Director, Jewish Child Care Association; Mrs. Joseph Druss, Treasurer, New York Section; and Mrs. Bernice W. Frechtman, Executive Director, New York Section.

YOUTH NEWS

On March 16th, from 2:30 P.M. to 6 P.M., the Youth Department will join with other youth groups in the mid-town area in a Purim Carnival. The profits from the carnival, which is being held in the vestry of the Synagogue, will be distributed by the Carnival Committee among various philanthropic organizations. All adults and young people of the congregation are invited to attend.

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The Judah Halevi Society is planning to hold a Dress Down Day on March 23rd at 2 P.M. Young people, who will come in dungarees, will participate in various square and folk dances. Refreshments will be served.

Young Marrieds to Hold March Social Meeting

The Young Marrieds will hold a sociai meeting on Tuesday, March 18th at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Finklestein, 737 Park Avenue.

On Friday evening, February 29th, the Young Marrieds sponsored the Sabbath Services. Dr. David Petegorsky, of the American Jewish Committee, underwrote their success. After lecturing from the pulpit on the problems of living Jewishness in the United States today, the congregation gathered in the vestry for an informal forum. In answering questions, Dr. Petegorsky stated that a young Jew should be interested in, and participate in, all phases of Jewish life and culture, though certain facets of it, such as the State of Israel, should take precedence.

Senior League Open Meeting, Dance Scheduled for March

There will be an open meeting of the Senior League on March 27th, at 8:30 P.M., in the Synagogue vestry. Following an address by a speaker prominent in Jewish affairs there will be public discussion after which refreshments will be served. Co-chairmen of the meeting are Mildred Geltman and Mitchell Waife.

On March 30th there will be a Senior League dance at 3:00 P.M. in the Vestry with music by Jeno Bartel and his orchestra. Refreshments will be served. Proceeds of the affair will go to charity.

Eleazar Lipsky to be Men's Club Speaker

The March meeting of the Men's Club will be held on Tuesday evening, March 25th, at 8:15 P.M. The guest speaker will be Mr. Eleazar Lipsky, a former Assistant District Attorney of New York and presently a practicing lawyer. He is the son of Mr. Louis Lipsky, one of the oldest world leaders of the Zionist movement.

The guest speaker will discuss, "The Jewish Writer in the Hollywood Scene". Mr. Lipsky has written several successful motion pictures, amongst them "People Against O'Hara" starring Spencer Tracy and "The Kiss of Death" starring Richard Widmark, for which he had received nomination for an Academy Award.

Preceding the meeting Rabbi Simon Noveck will review current Jewish events. All men are invited to attend.

Sisterhood Will Hold Meeting on March 18th

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Rabbi Irving Miller Will Deliver Final Adult Lecture March 24th

RABBI IRVING MILLER

Monday evening, March 24th, will climax a successful season of 18 weeks of study in Adult Education. Rabbi Irving Miller will deliver the final lecture of the series on the Rise and Development of American Judaism. His topic will be "The Rise of American Zionism". Rabbi Miller of Congregation Sons of Israel, Woodmere, Long Island, is the former President of the American Jewish Congress, Vice-President of the Zionist Organization of America and Associate Chairman of the United Jewish Appeal of New York. An eminent authority on Zionism, his lecture will be an appropriate finale to this season's courses.

On Monday, March 17th Rabbi Noveck will deliver the Adult Education lecture on the theme: "The Shaping of the Jewish Religious Tradition". Rabbi Noveck will describe the early development of Jewish religious life in America, the beginning of the Reform Movement in America, the emergence of Conservative Judaism under Solomon Schechter and the rise of American Orthodoxy. He will discuss the history of the three great rabbinical schools, the Hebrew Union College, the Yeshiva University and the Jewish Theological Seminary, and show the general trend towards an American Judaism.

Dr. Sidney Kosofsky will continue his lectures in Psychology and Religion at 8:00 P.M. His topic Monday evening, March 17th, will be "The Mature Jewish Personality". He will conclude his lectures on March 24th with a "Summation and Conclusion", in which he will discuss the relationship and influence of Psychology and Religion on the various aspects of Jewish life.

Although courses will conclude on March 24th, Adult Education will formally close the season with participation in Services to be held on Friday evening, April 4th. All members are invited to attend.

Parents' Association To Meet March 19th

The next open meeting of the Parents' Association is scheduled for Wednesday evening, March 19th, in the Vestry of the Park Avenue Synagogue. The topic for discussion will be "Jews from Many Lands" and will feature talks by Esther Gershoni, Joseph ben Yochanan and Ludwig Nadelmann.

Mr. Yochanan, son of an Ethiopian Jewish father and a Yemenite Jewish mother, has received degrees from the Haille Selassie Royal Academy and Cambridge University. During World War II, he served as a Captain of the Ethiopian Jewish brigade, and is now a technical advisor to the United Nations.

Another speaker will be Esther Gershoni, an Indian Jewess. Miss Gershoni is no stranger to the Park Avenue Synagogue where she has spoken on several occasions. A graduate of Bombay University, Miss Gershoni received her degree in Art and Pedagogy and was Principal of a girls' High School in India.

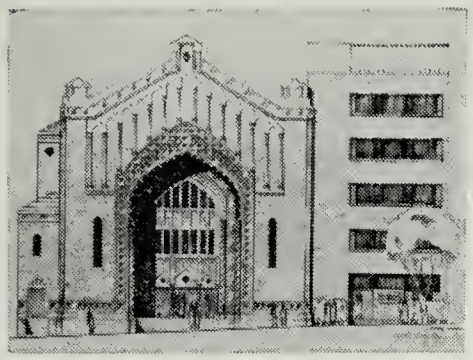
Mr. Ludwig Nadelmann, who will also participate in the symposium, is a citizen of Ecuador. He has studied at Yeshiva University where he received his B.A. and his Hebrew Teacher's degree.

A discussion period will follow in which the audience will have an opportunity to participate. Refreshments will also be served.

Yizkor Elohim

ROSE ROMAN
mother of Mrs. Morris Primoff

DANIEL SALMOW
brother of Mrs. Benjamin Marvin



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Synagogue to Hold Second Passover Seder

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

FIRST DAYS
First Evening, Wednesday, April 9th .....6 P.M.
First Morning, Thursday, April 10th .....9:30 A.M.

Rabbi Simon Noveck will preach:
"EDUCATION AND FREEDOM"

Second Evening, Thursday, April 10th .....6 P.M.
Annual Congregational Seder ..... 6:30 P.M.
Second Morning, Friday, April 11th .....9:30 A.M.

Rabbi Simon Noveck will preach:
"THE FOLKLORE OF PASSOVER"

SECOND DAYS
Seventh Evening, Tuesday, April 15th .....6 P.M.
Seventh Morning, Wednesday, April 16th .....9:30 A.M.

Rabbi Simon Noveck will preach:
"FREEDOM AND REASON"

Eighth Evening, Wednesday, April 16th .....6 P.M.
Eighth Morning, Thursday, April 17th .....9:30 A.M.

Rabbi Simon Noveck will preach:
"RELIGION AND THE WORLD'S EVIL"

Memorial Services will be held at approximately 11 A.M.

Musical portion of Services under the direction of Cantor Putterman, assisted by the Choir. Mr. Isidor Geller at the organ.

If You Wish Any of Your Family Memorialized, Please Return the Enclosed Card to the Synagogue Office.

There will be early Friday Evening Services on April 11th and 18th at 6 P.M.

Services to be Conducted By Rabbi and Cantor

The second annual Passover Seder sponsored by the Park Avenue Synagogue will be held on Thursday evening, April 10th, at 6:30 P.M., immediately following evening services which begin at 6 P.M. The Seder will follow the traditional and Reconstructionist Haggadah. Rabbi Noveck will lead and explain the service, and Cantor Putterman and the Synagogue Choir will sing the musical portions.

A full-course dinner with all the traditional Passover foods has been planned. Mrs. Dorothy Sokolow, the Chair-

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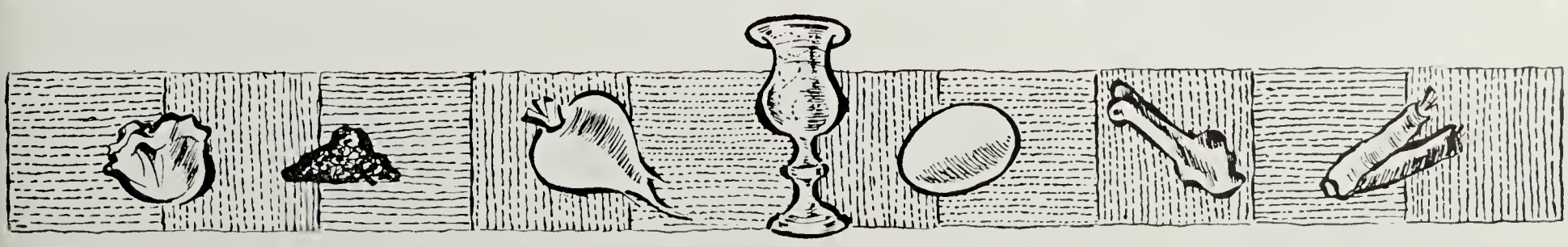
Congregation to Observe Milton Steinberg Yahrzeit

On Friday evening, March 28th the 2nd Yahrzeit of Rabbi Milton Steinberg will take place. Rabbi Noveck will deliver a special address on this occasion entitled "What Milton Steinberg Believed". He will review Rabbi Steinberg's posthumous work "A Believing Jew" as well as his other philosophical writings. He will attempt to present the credo or philosophy of Rabbi Steinberg and show the changing patterns of his thought, particularly in his last years.

The musical portion of the services, chanted by Cantor Putterman and the Choir, will consist of selections which were Rabbi Steinberg's favorites.



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Message from the Chairman of the Bazaar

Although I know this message will not be read until at least two weeks after the close of our immensely successful Bazaar, it is written when the excitement has not abated and while the glow of the marvellous team work we all experienced, is bright.

No large undertaking is ever the work of one, or even a few. Numerous credits have been bestowed on me, and I blushed for the feeling that these credits should have been directed to my loyal team of co-workers, to all affiliated arms of the Synagogue as well as to our Sisterhood President.

None of us had a single doubt that financial success would crown our efforts. Few, if any, seriously believed we would do so well. However, one of the finest by-products of the entire Bazaar, in the planning stages, and particularly in the three days of the super selling and dining, was the spirit of fellowship that prevailed.

Literally thousands of people milled about. Members of the congregation fraternized, dined together in our delightful Cafe a la Park Avenue, members of families saw more of each other.

Everybody felt wonderful, my entire committee sparkled with the knowledge that we were backing a winner, and for such a magnificent cause, The Milton Steinberg Memorial Building.

As much as we like to feel that the affair was sponsored and executed by the ladies of the Sisterhood, no small credit is due to a handful of devoted men of the congregation who assisted in the kitchen, at the bars, at our prize wheel and in our booths, who in the aggregate gave us a sense of security that their voluntarily assumed responsibilities were faithfully and competently discharged.

It would give me a great deal of pleasure and satisfaction to give public acknowledgement in these columns to all individuals who participated in any phase of our Bazaar, but because we are not all infalible, and someone might be omitted, I know you all will understand and take the following as coming from my heart.

To every member of the congregation, to our friends, to all who gave their time moneys and merchandise, I express my heartfelt appreciation for the magnificent way in which you supported our efforts.

In closing, I would like you all to share with me one of the most touching letters I have ever received.

Dear Mrs. Sack,
Inclosed please find the money I received for taking pictures Sunday March 9, 1952 from 11 till 2.
I wanted to help the MILTON STEINBERG BUILDING FUND. I have only $2.05, I know it is not much, but I tried.
May you always be successful.
Yours,
Johnny Stangel.

The writer is ten years old. His simple devotion to our cause is as deep as the ocean.

FREDA SACK
Bazaar Chairman

Message from the Cafeteria Chairmen

The Cafeteria Chairmen take this opportunity of expressing their gratitude to their many friends who contributed food, and money for food, to the seen and unseen help that made the Cafe a la Park Avenue work with such precision; to Mr. Ezra Cohen and Mr. and Mrs. Isidore Hahn who, for three days, carved all the meats; to the kitchen staff of workers; to the dining room staff of waitresses; to Dorothy Gellert and Helen Luebeck who saw that those who did not pay did not pass; to Anna Jacobi who executed all the ideas submitted to her for decorations; to the Sewing Group who made the aprons for the waitresses; to Mr. David Bielefeld for his daily arrangement of flowers; and to many friends outside of the Synagogue family, who worked with and for them as a trucking service. To all of these and to everyone else who made the project a labor of love we send our love and thanks.

Mary R. Cohen
Dorothy T. Sokolow

Harold Osserman, Sanford H. Cohen Head UJA Drive

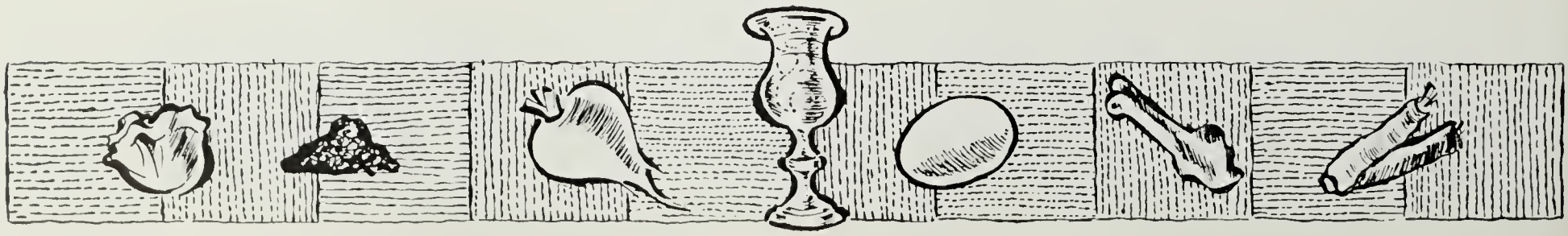
Dr. Harold A. Osserman and Sanford H. Cohen, newly appointed co-chairmen of the Park Avenue Synagogue's 1952 campaign for the United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York, who also served in 1950, announced that campaign activities would begin on Tuesday evening, March 18th with a meeting at the home of Dr. Osserman to plan and prepare their drive.

The honorary chairmen are Cantor David Putterman, Rabbi Simon Noveck and Benjamin Sack.

The two co-chairmen urged their friends and fellow congregants to attend the meeting, stressing the decisive importance of this year's UJA campaign and the pressing need for volunteers to participate in the work. "Lives are at stake in this drive," they said, "and we can be the saviors of thousands of Jews overseas by our activity, generosity and efforts to secure the help of others."

Through its 1952 campaign, the United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York aims to help save the lives, maintain the hopes and secure the future of 1,000,000 Jews throughout the world.

These objectives are to be accomplished by raising the metroplitan area's share of the nationwide United Jewish Appeal goal of $151,000,000 to meet the financial requirements of the United Israel Appeal, Joint Distribution Committee (including ORT), United Service for New Americans and New York Association for New Americans.



SCHOOL NEWS

The model Seder will be conducted by Rabbi Noveck, with the assistance of the students of the Religious School, on Sunday morning, April 6th in the vestry of the synagogue.

Each class in the school will be responsible for the decoration of its Seder table. Many classes have planned appropriate holiday centerpieces which have both a traditional and modern significance. The reading of the Haggadah will be led by the students of the Hebrew Department.

Mrs. Harry Zucker, chairman of the Class Mothers, and Mrs. Stanley Simon, chairman of Holiday Workshop, have arranged for the preparation and the serving of the food at the Seder.

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The Spring Recess of the Religious School will take place during the Passover Week. School will close on April 9th and re-open on Saturday morning, April 19th.

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The High School of Music and Art has organized its first class in Hebrew this term. It is expected that the school will have several classes in Hebrew in September 1952. Prospective June graduates of junior high schools and elementary schools may register in these Hebrew classes by selecting the language on the application of admission. Similarly, students may register for Hebrew in applying to the Bronx High School of Science and 26 other high schools in the city.

YOUTH NEWS

On March 30th at 2 P.M. the Brandeis Society and the Judah Halevi Society will meet with the Youth Brotherhood of B'nai Jeshurun. The guest speaker for the occasion will be Mr. Zev Putterman who will discuss the relationship of American youth to the youth of Israel. The meeting will be held at Congregation B'nai Jeshurun.

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Members of the Brandeis Society will take part in a debate on April 6th. The topic of the debate is "Resolved that the Honor System Should be Retained in Our Schools."

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The youngest group in the Youth De-Department, the Halutzim, will hold a symposium on March 30th. The topic to be discussed is "Orthodox, Reform, Conservative Judaism—Is There a Point of Unity?"

On April 6th the Halutzim will hold a party at the home of one of their members. A full program of games, dancing, and refreshments has been planned.

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The Brandeis Society and the Judah Halevi Society will hold their Annual Spring Dance with the Youth Division of Congregation Rodeph Sholom. The dance, which will take place on Saturday, April 12th at 8:15 P.M., will be held in the vestry of our Synagogue. All young people who are home for the Spring vacation are cordially invited to attend.

Mazel Tov

TO Dr. and Mrs. Samuel Wimpfheimer on the Birth of their daughter, Ann Frieda, January 11th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Samson Hittner on the engagement of their daughter, Marilyn to Mr. Jack Schwadron.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Tubie Resnick on the engagement of their daughter Penny to Mr. Irving Trenk.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Moe Turman on their 33rd Wedding Anniversary, April 1st.

TO Mrs. Frieda Davidson on her 82nd Birthday, April 29th.

TO Neil H. Hertz, grandson of Mr. Edward S. Rosenthal, on his assumption of the post of chief editor of the Amherst College paper.

TO Dr. and Mrs. Ernest Gladstone on their 30th Wedding Anniversary on April 28th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Irving Shapiro on the Engagement of their son, Stanley to Miss Joan Propper.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Baumritter on their 25th Wedding Anniversary, April 14th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Blauner on the Marriage of their son, Alan to Miss Bette Ann Berman, March 30th.

Men's Club to Hear Dr. Horace Kallen

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Dr. Kallen has taught continuously at the New School since its founding in 1919. He is one of the best interpreters of the pragmatic philosophy of William James, a philosophy that has so often been called, "typically American". Dr. Kallen has also worked in the field of Jewish struggle and achievement. Early in life he recognized the true importance of Palestine. His book, "Judaism at Bay" is still one of the most frequently referred to books on Jewish life in America. His writings cover a wide range including, "The Decline and Rise of the Consumer", "Education, the Machine and the Worker", "Why Religion", "Zionism and World Politics", "Frontiers of Hope", and his latest, "The Education of Free Men" and "Patterns of Progress".

Dr. Kallen has chosen for his subject before the Men's Club, "Does the American Jewish Community have a Future".

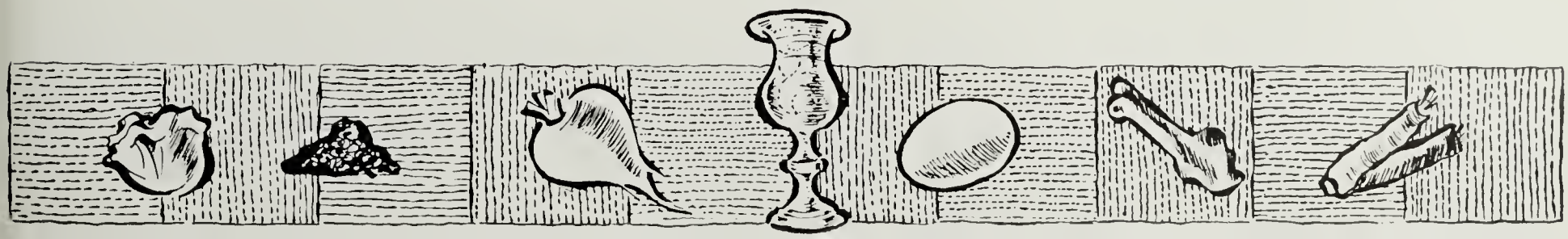
Preceeding the meeting, Rabbi Simon Noveck will deliver his review on current Jewish events.

All men are cordially invited to attend.

On March 30th there will be a Senior League dance at 3:00 P.M. in the Vestry with music by Jeno Bartel and his orchestra. Refreshments will be served. Proceeds of the affair will go to charity.

PULPIT NOTES

On Saturday morning, March 29th. Mr. Louis Heller will read the Haftorah. His portion will be Chapters 43 and 44 from the Book of Isaiah.



Bazaar Festivities Highlight Week!

By NAOMI JACOBSON

Last weekend one of New York City's brightest and gayest spots was the Bazaar at the Park Avenue Synagogue. A tremendous success, the Bazaar was sponsored by the Sisterhood to raise money for the Milton Steinberg Memorial.

The festivities catered to all appetites. For the Gourmet, a delicious turkey dinner at one dollar a plate; for the Bacchanalian, a bar; for the Bargain Hunter, booths of merchandise at modest prices; for the gambler, a wheel of chance and many raffles.

At any time you could hear Abe Geller or Harold Levin disposing of valuable merchandise ranging from Ladies' Handbags to bottles of Scotch, through the medium of the wheel of chance. Miss Saloman, daughter of Professor Saloman, now sports a beautiful mink stole, donated for raffling by Mr. Greenhut. Ladies of the Sisterhood manned the booths and sold every bit of merchandise on the shelves.

Bouquets to Mrs. Benjamin Sack, the little lady with a tremendous capacity for organizing and insuring the success of the venture. Mrs. Harry Sokolow and Mrs. Sanford Cohen share the honors for providing an excellent cuisine; as procurers extraordinaire, Mrs. Harry Neivert and Mrs. S. Bernstein stocked the bargain booths with appealing merchandise. All donators and workers contributed to make this 1952 Bazaar a grand success!

Sisterhood Will Meet Tuesday Eve, April 15th

The next meeting of the Sisterhood will be held on Tuesday evening, April 15th in place of the usual afternoon gathering. The speaker will be Dr. George Lawton, consulting psychologist, who will discuss "Emotional Maturity for Husbands and Wives". A lively discussion period following the talk will give the gentlemen guests an opportunity to express themselves on any controversial points of the subject. Dr. Lawton will also answer written questions from those who are reluctant to be identified.

Dr. Lawton is a practising marriage counselor and psychoanalyst and also a visiting lecturer in marriage counseling at Long Island University. He has written two books on this subject and Sisterhood is happy to benefit from his wealth of background and experience.

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man, has advised that since no more than 250 persons can be accommodated, reservations be made immediately. Family groups will be accommodated at individual tables.

The cost of the affair will be $6.50 per person. All checks should be made payable to the Park Avenue Synagogue and mailed to Mrs. Harry J. Sokolow, 1225 Park Avenue, New York 28, N. Y. or phone ATwater 9-8708.

It is hoped by the Chairman, and many members of the congregation, that this Seder will be a real family affair, and the Congregational Passover Seder which was inaugurated last year will become an annual custom at the Synagogue.

Adult Education Choral Group to Sing Services, April 4th

Adult Education Sabbath will be held on Friday evening, April 4th, at 8:30 P.M. Following a precedent established last year, the Adult Education Department will sponsor the Friday evening service and bring to a close its five months of activity. The Choral group, which has been trained by Cantor Putterman during the past months, as part of the Adult Education Program, will perform a special Musical Service which has been their project for the year. They will sing from the pulpit, conducted by Cantor Putterman and accompanied at the organ by Mr. Isidor Geller.

The members of the Choral Group are: Lillian Borgenicht, Leoni Frieder, Leah Gottesman, Fan Greenstein, Anne Z. Harrison, Irma Heller, Dr. Lieselotte Horn, Lillian Kirzon, Antoinette Reinhart, Ella Ritcy, Gerda Simon, Edith Vyner and Sylvia Weill.

In addition there will be a symposium in the Vestry, following the service, conducted by Rabbi Noveck with some of the members of the courses participating, on a theme related to Adult Education. Members of the faculty have been invited to attend this special service. Greetings will be extended by the Chairman of the Committee on Adult Education and members of the faculty. This will bring to a close five months of activity in Adult Education at the Synagogue.

During the past season Rabbi Noveck covered Jewish History during the past 100 years and, with the aid of several guest speakers, authorities on American Jewish History, traced the rise of American Judaism. The Theology series, this year, brought to the congregation a number of the most eminent theologians in the world today.

Yizkor Elohim

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brother of Mrs. Saul Horowitz

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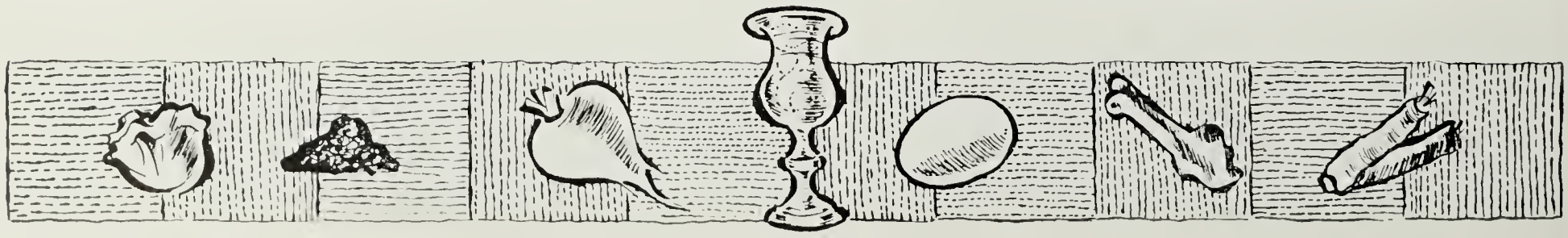
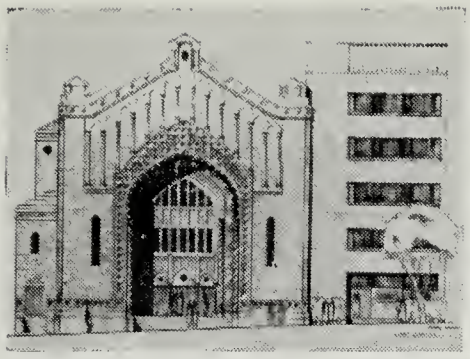
father of Mrs. Samuel Brimberg





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Congregation Holds Second Annual Seder, 250 Members Attend

Over 250 people attended the second annual Passover Seder sponsored by the Park Avenue Synagogue on Thursday evening, April 10th. The Seder commenced at 6:30 P.M. immediately following services. Rabbi Noveck led and explained the traditional Haggadah, and Cantor Putterman and the Synagogue Choir sang the musical portions.

A full-course dinner with all the traditional Passover foods was enjoyed by all who attended the affair. This year, family groups were accommodated at individual tables and those, along with the other members of the congregation, helped make this years Seder a real family affair.

Thanks must be extended to the Chairman Mrs. Harry J. Sokolow who, assisted by Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel Rosenthal, arranged a most successful Seder for the congregation.

Yiddish, Hebrew Classes, Continue Through April

Although the Adult Education courses for this year officially concluded on March 24th, students of the Advanced Hebrew and Yiddish classes have petitioned to continue with their studies. They have arranged at their own expense to continue with their teachers for an additional few weeks. The teacher of Yiddish is Miss Hayse Cooperman.

Cecil Roth, Historian, Will Speak At Synagogue Friday, April 25th

On Friday evening, April 25th, at 8:30 P.M. the congregation will be privileged to hear the eminent historian, Mr. Cecil Roth of England. Mr. Roth who has contributed on Jewish subjects to the *Encyclopaedia Britannica*, the *Cambridge Mediaeval History* and other American and Jewish Encyclopaedias, was president of the Jewish Historical Society of England from 1936 to 1938. From 1939 he was reader in post-Biblical Jewish studies at Oxford.

MR. CECIL ROTH

Mr. Roth has conducted extensive researeh and brought to light many hereto unknown facts in Jewish History. He regards history as eapable of influencing the thinking of the rising generation and thus of the whole nation. Cecil Roth has published many books among them the history of the Rothchild family, that of the Sassoon Dynasty, a survey on "The Jewish Contribution to Civilization" and the "Archives of the United Synagogue". Mr. Roth said, when asked for further details of his biography, "I had the inestimable privilege of having my name included in the first 500 persons to be arrested in this country (England) when the Nazis landed; my closest contact was Winston Churchill".

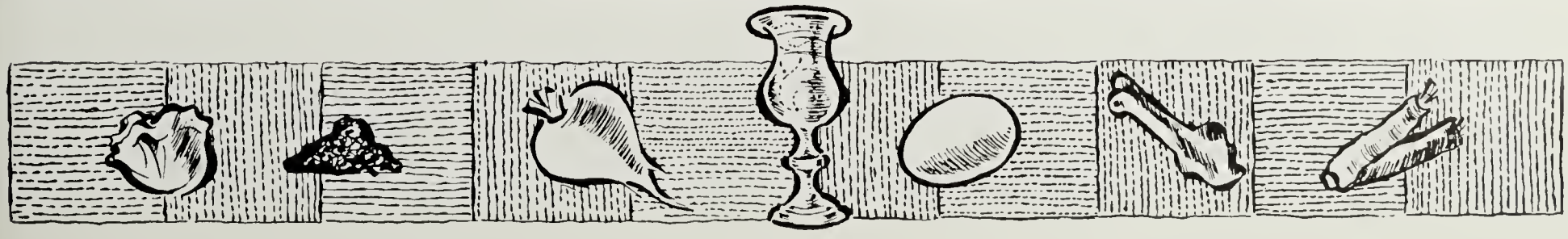
Regarded as an outstanding figure in the historical world today, Cecil Roth's appearanee at the Synagogue will provide one of the most enlightening evenings of the year. All members and friends are invited to attend.

PLEASE RESERVE . . .

Friday evening, May 23rd, for the 10th Annual Sabbath Eve Service of New Liturgical Music by Contemporary Composers. A new service by the renowned American composer, Frederic Jacobi, will receive its World Premiere performance.

PLEASE NOTE

The Sisterhood meeting previously scheduled for Tuesday evening, April 15th, has been changed to Monday evening, April 14th. Further details appear elsewhere in the BULLETIN.



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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SECOND DAYS OF PASSOVER

Seventh Evening, Tuesday, April 15th .....6 P.M.

Seventh Morning, Wednesday, April 16th .....9:30 A.M.

Rabbi Simon Noveck will preach:
"FREEDOM AND REASON"

Eighth Evening, Wednesday, April 16th .....6 P.M.

Eighth Morning, Thursday, April 17th .....9:30 A.M.

Rabbi Simon Noveck will preach:
"RELIGION AND THE WORLD'S EVIL"

Memorial Services will be held at approximately 11 A.M.

Musical portion of Services under the direction of Cantor Putterman, assisted by the Choir. Mr. Isidor Geller at the organ.

There will be early Friday Evening Services on April 18th at 6 P.M.

Saturday Morning, April 19th .....10:00 A.M.

Bar Mitzvah of Michael Berke

Friday Evening, April 25th .....8:30 P.M.

Mr. Cecil Roth will speak

Saturday Morning, April 26th .....10:00 A.M.

Bar Mitzvah of Lawrence D. Ackman
Rabbi Simon Noveck will preach

United Synagogue Plans Pilgrimage To Israel in May

An event of historic significance has just been announced by the Jewish Theological Seminary of America. From May 15th to June 1st, the Seminary will sponsor a Pilgrimage to Israel. The climax of this Pilgrimage will be a Seminary Convocation on May 25th in Jerusalem at which Doctor Louis Finkelstein will confer the honorary degree of Doctor of Hebrew Literature on Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion. The Seminary has extended an invitation to members of all our congregations to participate in this momentous occasion.

For many years all of us have sought to strengthen the spiritual ties between the Jewries of Israel and America. Since the establishment of the State of Israel, the need and desire for methods of better cooperation and better understanding between these two communities has become vastly more important. Much has already been accomplished by our rabbis, our lay leaders and our congregations to which we belong, as well as through the United Jewish Appeal, the Israeli Bond Drive and similar organizations in an effort to make Israel successful materially. But the time has now come when we must embark upon a new level of relationship between the peoples of the two countries.

The Seminary Pilgrimage will undoubtedly be an important step towards this purpose. Because of the nature of this Pilgrimage, it is hoped that those of you who have for many years been planning to go to Israel will utilize this extraordinary opportunity to represent the Conservative movement in this great mission.

Members of our congregation who are interested in joining this pilgrimage should contact Rabbi Noveck as soon as possible so that the necessary arrangements can be made.

Students to Celebrate Birthdays in April

Greetings to the Religious School students who celebrate their birthdays in April: Michael Aaron, Lawrence Ackman, Michael Berke, Eleanor Foa, Rose Forster, Ellen Greenspan, Stephen Heyman, Stephanie Heyman, Joel Holzer, Paul Joseph, Donald Linker, David R. Nalin, Barbara Schacht, Marilyn Schneider, Peggy Ann Semel, Falene Simet and Lillian Wiener.

SCHOOL NEWS

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL RE-OPENS
Hebrew Department—Sat., April 19th
Primary Department—Sun., April 20th

The Faculty of the Hebrew Department announces that the following students have been placed on the Honor Roll for attendance, effort, attitude and general excellence in Hebrew Studies:

HEBREW 1A—Robert Karpf, Richard Pesikoff, Jonathan Siegel, Elliot Zucker, Susan Drukatz.

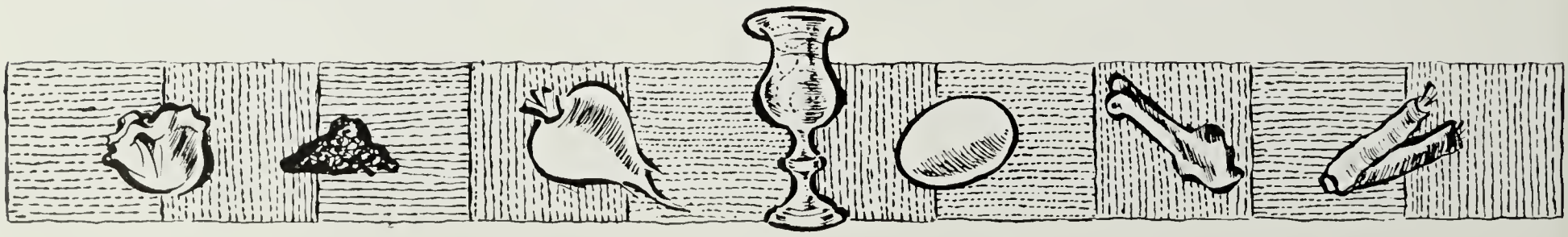
HEBREW 1B—Michael Freedman, David Reichman, Leona Giat, Joseph Weintraub.

HEBREW IIA—Alan Mehlman, Jeffrey Loria, David Nalin, Stephen Kohn.

HEBREW IIB—Ruth Wyler, Ellen Wimpfheimer.

HEBREW III—Cecily Falkenstein, John Kogan, Marilyn Schneider.

HEBREW IV—Paul Bienstock, Edward Curtiss.



YOUTH NEWS

A most spirited Purim Carnival was staged by the Youth Department on Sunday afternoon March 16th in the Vestry of the Synagogue. In addition to booths operated by the Judah Halevi Society, the Brandeis Society and the Halutzim—all Park Avenue Synagogue clubs, elaborate booths also were managed by the young people of Congregations B'nai Jeshurun, Emanuel, Mount Neboh, and Rodeph Sholom. The job of coordinating activities for this successful affair rested with members of the Judah Halevi Society under the chairmanship of Judy Kursch.

The event was an excellent example of how the various youth groups in the midtown area, when called upon to work for a common cause, can consolidate their efforts in an atmosphere of friendship to produce something truly worthwhile.

All proceeds from the Carnival have been turned over to the United Jewish Appeal.

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The Youth Department together with the Youth Division of Congregation Rodeph Sholom will hold their Spring Dance on Saturday, April 12th at 8:15 P.M. in the Vestry of the Synagogue. Judy Kirsch, dance chairman, reports that elaborate plans have been made to insure a most successful affair. Music will be provided by the Blue Notes, and Passover refreshments will be served.

Those young people of the congregation who are spending their Spring vacation in New York are cordially invited to attend this dance.

On April 20th the Judah Halevi Society will hold its second Bowling party of the year. Members who attended the Bowling party last January will recall the fun they had. This party should prove every bit as successful.

Members of the Halutzim will view the United Israel Appeal film "Tent City" on April 26th. The Judah Halevi Society will see the same movie on Sunday, April 27th at 2:30 P.M. The film is a beautiful moving story of immigrant families living in the *maaborot* of Modern Israel This is one of the finest movie productions to come out or Israel.

Mazel Tov

TO Mr. and Mrs. Herman Lichtenberg on the Birth of their son, Walt Edward.

TO Roberta Peters and Robert Merrill, of the Metropolitan Opera, on their Marriage in the Synagogue on Sunday afternoon, March 30th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Jack D. Kramon on their 10th Wedding Anniversary on April 26th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Barkin on their 30th Wedding Anniversary on April 27th.

Synagogue Organizes New Boy Scout Troop

The Park Avenue Synagogue Boy Scout Troop is now meeting regularly on Thursday evenings between 7 and 8:30 P.M. in the Vestry of the synagogue.

The Troop, consisting of 18 boys from the Religious School, have embarked upon a full Scout program under the leadership of their Scoutmaster, Mr. Sam Peyer. The Troop also has the benefit of the guidance of a committee of fathers under the chairmanship of Mr. Sidney B. Gurfein. Rabbi Noveck has accepted the position of Chaplain of the Troop.

The Troop was helped in its formative stages through the efforts of Mr. Edwin Davidson, a member of our synagogue, Mrs. Lillian Helpern of the Parents' Association and Mr. William Johnson of the Boy Scouts of America.

Boys between the ages of 11 and 13 are invited to inquire in the school office for membership in the Troop.

CORRECTION

Mr. Ludwig Nadelmann who participated in the Symposium before the Parents' Association on Wednesday, March 19th, is not only a graduate of Yeshiva University, but is, at present, studying at the Jewish Theological Seminary to become a Rabbi.

The Brandeis Society announces that the debate originally scheduled for April 6th has been postponed until April 20th. At that time members of the society will debate on the topic "Should the Honor System be Retained in our Schools?"

New Wedding Music Is Now Available

By Cantor David J. Putterman

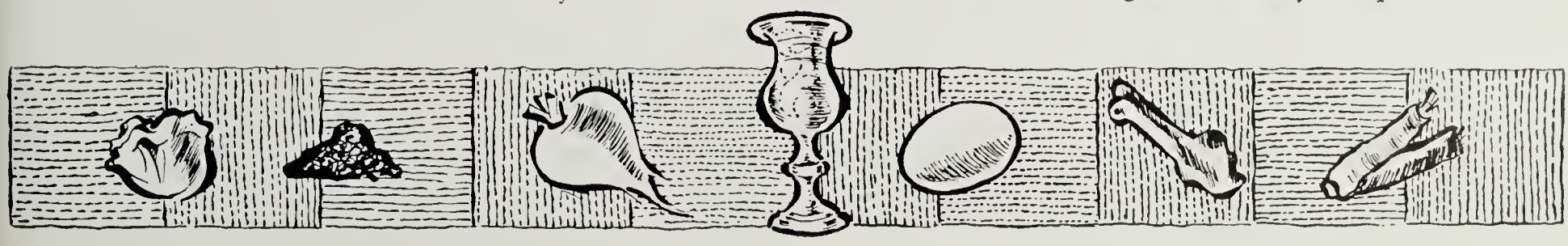
The new wedding music which was commissioned and sponsored by The Cantors Assembly has just been published by the Mills Music Company. All of this music was composed by the internationally renowned Jewish composer, Mario Castelnuovo-Tedesco. It consists of a processional for the bridegroom set to the text of "Mi Adir", a processional for the bride set to the text of "Boruch Habo B'Shem Adonoy". Both of these processionals may be played by piano or organ or could be sung by the choir. In addition there are four beautiful songs set to the appropriate texts which may be sung before or during the wedding ceremony. They are: "V'Erastich", "Simeni Chachosom Al Libecho", "My Betrothed" and "Seal My Heart". You may order this music directly from your usual book supply dealer or from your local music store.

We hope that all of our Rabbis and Cantors will urge the use of this new music at weddings at which they will be officiating. This new music is Jewish in spirit and content. Secular music of any type has no place at Jewish religious functions. We urge you to discourage the use of the "Wedding March from Loehgrin" by Wagner as well as the solos of "Oh! Promise Me", "At Dawning", "Because", "I Love You Truly", etc., etc. Now that this new Jewish music is available, there is no excuse for the use of inappropriate and secular music.

(This music was recently used at the wedding of Roberta Peters and Robert Merrill held at our Synagogue.)

Mr. & Mrs. Club to Meet

Rabbi Noveck will be the guest speaker at the next meeting of the Mr. and Mrs. Club on Tuesday evening, April 29th. The group will meet at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Metzger. The Rabbi will speak on "Psychiatry and Religion—Are they Compatible?"



Noted Psychiatrist To Address Sisterhood

The next meeting of the Sisterhood will be held on Monday evening, April 14th at 8:00 P.M. in place of the usual afternoon gathering. The change has been made for this month only, so that husbands and friends may attend. The speaker will be Dr. George Lawton, eminent psychiatrist, who will discuss "Emotional Maturity for Husbands and Wives".

A lively discussion period will follow the talk. Since the material is of a personal nature, listeners who are reluctant to identify themselves from the floor, may submit written questions which Dr. Lawton will answer.

Dr. Lawton is a practising psychoanalyst and marriage counselor also visiting lecturer at Long Island University. He has written two books on courtship and marriage, stressing failures due to factors of which the man and woman are almost completely unaware.

Dr. Lawton is a Diplomate in Clinical Psychology of the American Board of Examiners in Professional Psychology, and a member of the National Psychological Association for Psychoanalysis.

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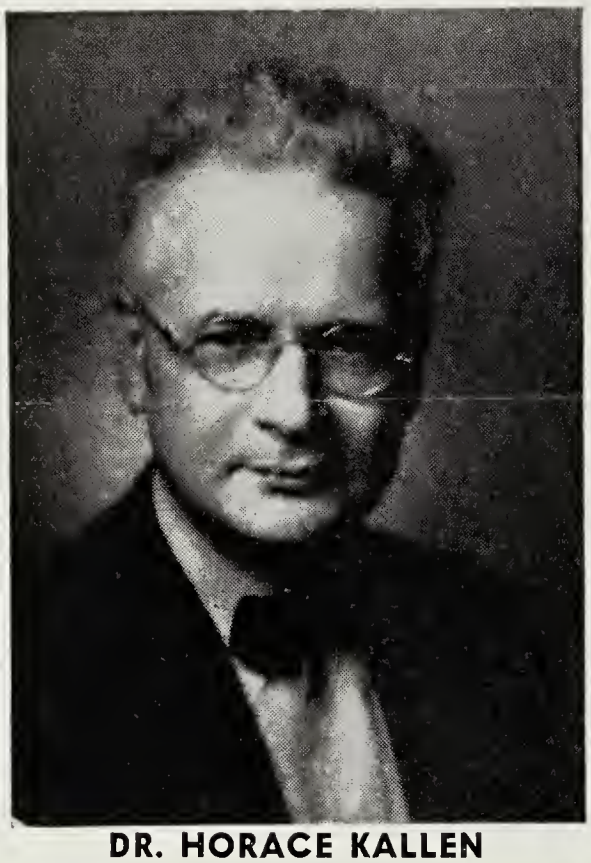
The Men's Club meeting during the month of April will be held on Tuesday evening, April 22nd, at 8:15 P.M. The guest speaker will be Dr. Horace M. Kallen, distinguished Professor of Philosophy and Psychology of the New School for Social Research.

Dr. Kallen has taught continuously at the New School since its founding in 1919. He is one of the best interpreters of the pragmatic philosophy of William James, a philosophy that has so often been called, "typically American". Dr. Kallen has also worked in the field of Jewish struggle and achievement. Early in life he recognized the true importance of Palestine. His book, "Judaism at Bay" is still one of the most frequently referred to books on Jewish life in America. His writings cover a wide range including, "The Decline and Rose of the Consumer". "Education, the Machine and the Worker", "Why Religion", "Zionism and World Politics", "Frontiers of Hope", and his latest, "The Education of Free Men" and "Patterns of Progress".



DR. HORACE KALLEN

Dr. Kallen has chosen for his subject before the Men's Club, "Does the American Jewish Community have a Future?"

All men are cordially invited to attend.

Men's Club to Sponsor Evening at Canteen

The Men's Club is sponsoring an evening at the Jewish Welfare Board Canteen on Saturday night, April 19th, to be held at Temple Emanuel. The Canteen has been in existence since the beginning of World War II and has served many thousands of servicemen from all parts of the country.

On April 19th, the Club will act as senior hosts and their wives will also serve as volunteers in the many activities of the Canteen. During the course of the evening, there will be a popular name band, Broadway entertainers, photography room, motion picture room and voice recording room.

All men of the Men's Club who are interested in serving that evening or subsequent evenings, please communicate with Mr. Henry Koch, Chairman of the committee in charge of this project.

Yizkor Elohim

MEYER KLEIN
brother of Mr. Jacob Klein

ESTHER SAPERSTEIN
mother of Mildred Saperstein

ESTHER JACKSON
sister of Mrs. Milton Weill

ESTELLE GREENBAUM
mother of Mrs. Nathan Appleman

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mother of Mr. Nathan Kanrich, Mr. Joseph Kanrich and Mrs. Sadie Garfinkel

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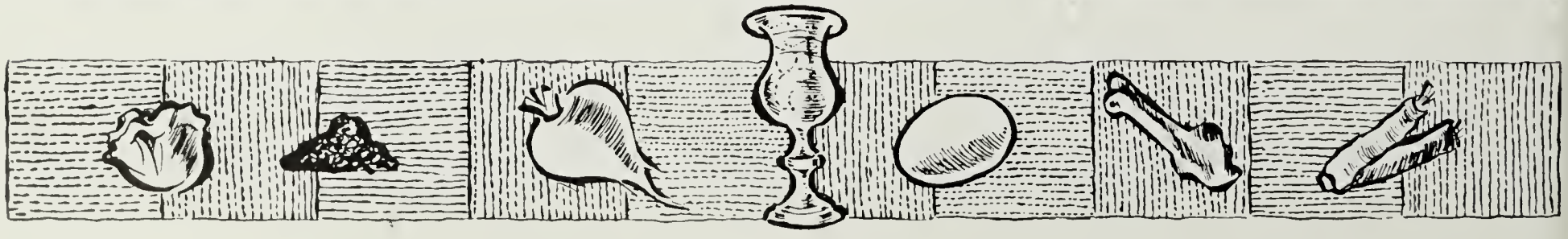
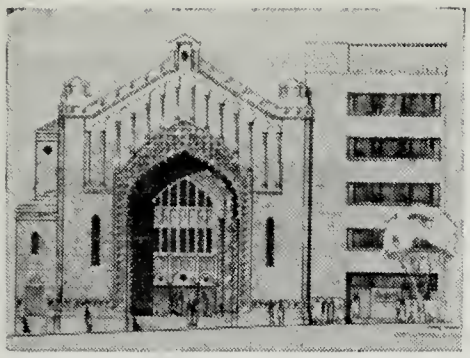
husband of Mrs. Anna Jacobi





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BULLETIN

May 2, 1952 | Affiliated with the Jewish Theological Seminary and the United Synagogue of America | 7 Iyar, 5712

Synagogue to Observe Fourth Anniversary of Israel Independence

Israel Independence Day will be celebrated at a special Friday Evening Service on May 2nd, at 8:30 P.M. A special program is being arranged which will bring to the members of the synagogue an evaluation of the accomplishments of the State of Israel, in various phases of its life, during the first four years of its independence. An outstanding speaker, Harry Zinder, will discuss the progress and future plans of the State of Israel.

Sisterhood Elections At May 20th Meeting

On May 20th, Sisterhood will hold a triple celebration—Birthday Party, Installation of Officers and Strawberry Festival.

The following slate of officers has been nominated:

Chaplain—Mrs. Samuel Wimpfheimer

President—Mrs. Sigmund Siegel

First Vice President—Mrs. Irwin Rome

Second Vice President—Mrs. Samuel Gellert

Third Vice President—Mrs. Henry Howe

Fourth Vice President—Mrs. Tubie Resnick

Recording Secretary—Mrs. Saul Granetts

Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. Caroline Manheimer

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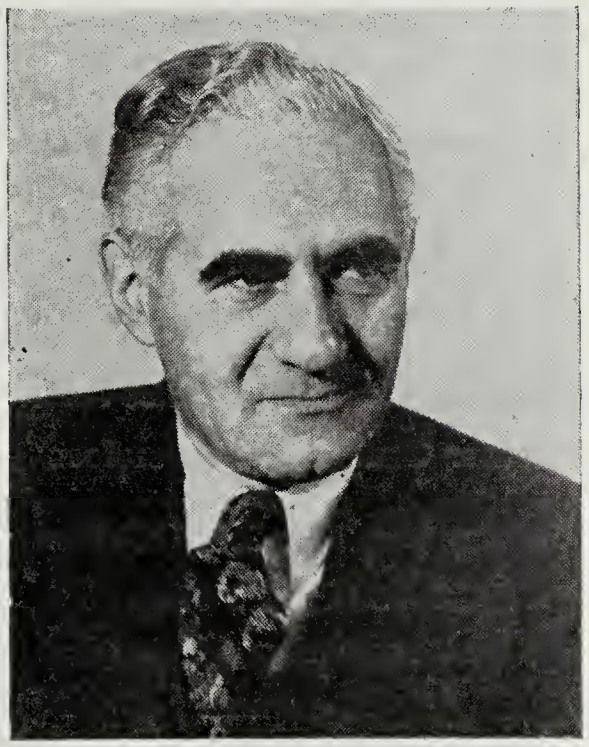
Treasurer—Mrs. William Karmiol

New Board Members—Mrs. Theodore Meistrich and Mrs. Felix Jacobi

"Author Meets Critics" to Discuss *"Trial Judge"* Friday Eve, May 9th

On Friday evening, May 9th, as part of the late Friday evening services, the Park Avenue Synagogue will present "Author Meets the Critics". The author, Judge Bernard Botein, a Justice of the New York State Supreme Court since 1941, and member of the Board of Trustees of the Synagogue, whose book "Trial Judge" has just been published by Simon and Schuster, will met his critics in an informal panel discussion of his book. His critics will include Dr. David Abrahamsen, Mr. Abraham Geller, and Mr. Harold H. Levin who will act as moderator.



JUDGE BERNARD BOTEIN

"Trial Judge" is a candid, behind-the-bench treasury of wonderful life pictures . . . dramatic, amusing, poignant. Best of all, it gives the reader a tremendous confidence in the integrity and humanity of the American courts and of the men who carry on the tradition of justice under the law. Advance readers, Eleanor Roosevelt, Senator Herbert H. Lehman and Senator Estes Kefauver have the highest praise for Judge Botein's book.

A most stimulating evening is in store for all members and friends who attend this program.

"Trial Judge" is available, if ordered now, at a 20% discount off the retail price, which is $5 per copy. Those wishing a copy should contact the Synagogue office.

Junior Congregation To Conduct Services

The Annual May Service of the Junior Congregation will be held on Saturday morning, May 10th at 10 A.M. in the synagogue. The entire Sabbath service will be conducted by the boys and girls of the Religious School.

Members of the congregation who have visited previous Junior Congregation services in the vestry or who have had the opportunity to observe previous May Services are looking forward to the coming service. It is always a pleasure to see the young people of the congregation rise to the occasion and ably conduct the services in the main synagogue. All members of the congregation are urged to join with the students of the Hebrew Department in the Sabbath Service of May 10th.

Students participating in the service are: James Kaufman, Richard Kaufman, Teddy Joehsberger, Joseph Weintraub, Elliot and Teddy Zucker, Ellen Wimpfheimer, Johnny Siegal, Michael Freedman, Marilyn Schneider, Cecily Falkenstein, Paul and Peter Bienstock, Edward Curtiss, Roger Waldman, Alan Mehlman, David Nalin, Steven Kohn, and Michael and Kenny Rosen.

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United Jewish Appeal Needs Your Support!

As the United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York embarks upon its 1952 campaign we are filled with a deep sense of its momentous importance. With the people of Israel fighting a desperate battle for economic survival, we are reminded that just as in the early days of Spring, 1948, Israeli men and women are today faced with a crisis that threatens the future of Israel and the thousands of immigrants who have made their home there.

This time it is not the Arab armies but the armies of hunger, hardship and poverty that endanger the security of Israel. An intolerable and relentless pressure has been put upon the Israeli people and without help they may falter in their struggle to create a haven for the homeless and oppressed Jews throughout the world.

But not only in Israel do the Jews need our help. There are thousands in Europe and the Moslem lands, suffering from the persecution and terror, whose ardent desire to escape to Israel or America must not be denied. And with the dissolution of the International Refugee Organization the care of the Jewish DPs in Europe becomes chiefly the responsibility of the UJA.

It is to the United Jewish Appeal that these people look for the help that will gring them safely through their trials and it is imperative that we mobilize our full strength and resources behind the UJA campaign this year.

Any member who desires to have an Aliyah or wishes to recite the Haftorah on any particular Saturday or holiday, please communicate with Mr. Archie Thurman, Chairman of the Ritual Committee, who will be happy to make the necessary arrangements.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Friday, May 2nd.....8:30 P.M.
Fourth Anniversary Of Israel Independence Day

Saturday, May 3rd.....10:00 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Stephen Heyman

Friday, May 9th.....8:30 P.M.
"Author Meets Critics" *"Trial Judge" by* Judge Bernard Botein

Saturday, May 10th.....10:00 A.M.
Junior Congregation Services

Tuesday, May 13th.....8:30 P.M.
Men's Club Meeting Police Commissioner Monaghan will discuss: "Crime Detection By the Police Department"

Wednesday-Sunday, May 14th-18th
United Synagogue of America and National Federation of Men's Clubs Convention

Tuesday, May 20th.....1:00 P.M.
Sisterhood Meeting

Tuesday, May 20th.....8:30 P.M.
Young Marrieds Meeting

Friday, May 23rd.....8:30 P.M.
10th Annual Service of New Liturgical Music By Contemporary Composers

SCHOOL NEWS

May is Registration Month

The Jewish Education Committee has designated this month as REGISTRATION MONTH. During the month, Religious schools in the Metropolitan area will register all new children who will be coming to the school in September, 1952.

The Park Avenue Synagogue Religious School educational program provides for:

PRIMARY DEPARTMENT for children from the ages of 6 through 9. The school, which meets on Sunday morning, aims to familiarize the child with Judaism; its history and its cultural expressions. It develops within him a sense of loyalty and pride in Judaism.

HEBREW DEPARTMENT for children from the ages of 10 through 15. The school, which meets on two afternoons and on Saturday mornings, aims to prepare the child for an active and constructive participation in Jewish life. Instruction in Hebrew, Bible, history, customs and ceremonies and religious worship in the Junior Congregation develop in the child an understanding of the religious concepts, the ethical values and the ritual forms of Judaism.

BAR MITZVAH and BAT MITZVAH for the boys and girls at the age of 13. In accordance with the recommendations of the United Synagogue Commission on Education, a minimum of three years instruction in the Hebrew Department is required for Bar Mitzvah and Bat Mitzvah in the Park Avenue Synagogue.

CONFIRMATION for the boys and girls of 15. This solemn and inspiring ritual which takes place at Shavuot is the culmination of the formal educational program.

The Religious School office will be open every afternoon after 3:00 P.M. for the registration of new students. Parents are urged to begin the Jewish education of their children on the Primary School level so that the child may benefit from a full and rich, religious experience.

Do not delay! Enroll today!

Joint Convention Set For Week of May 14th

The Park Avenue Synagogue and the Men's Club of the congregation, will participate in the forthcoming Joint Convention of the United Synagogue of America and the National Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs, scheduled for May 14th through 18th at the Hotel Bradford in Boston.

Judge Simon F. Rifkind, prominent figure in American public life, one of the outstanding laymen in the Conservative Movement, and a member of the Park Avenue Synagogue, will deliver the keynote address at the opening session of the Convention which will be highlighted by a gala fiftieth anniversary observance of Solomon Schechter's arrival in America, and by a public session on Israel at historic Faneuil Hall, "Cradle of American Liberty".

Mr. Charles Rosengarten of Waterbury, Connecticut and Mr. Milton Berger of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania serve as national co-chairmen of the Convention in behalf of both national organizations.

"Standards for Jewish Living" is the theme of the Conventon at which, for the first time, a Code of Standards for Congregational Life will be adopted.

In keeping with the current National Sabbath Observance Effort the Convention Sabbath will be devoted to a "living demonstration" of revitalized Sabbath Observance in our days. "The Jewish Family of the Year" will "preside" over the proceedings of the Shabbat dinner, with the father, the mother and the children of the family so chosen leading in the ritual of the occasion.

The Solomon Schechter Award for distinguished congregational achievement will be conferred again to meritorious congregations.

A round of outstanding social events will give added luster to a most colorful and exciting Convention.

Those interested in attending the convention should contact Rabbi Noveck immediately.

Congregation Gathers to Celebrate Second Annual Passover Seder

By Dorothy C. Ringler

"Wherefore is this night distinguished from all other nights?" To answer this question and many others, and to feast upon unleavened cakes and bitter herbs, the congregation of the Park Avenue Synagogue, their families, and friends, met in the vestry to celebrate the second night of the Passover on Thursday, April 10th.

Rabbi Noveck, seated on the dais with Cantor Putterman, leaders of the Congregation, and the choir, conducted the services from the Reconstructionist Haggadah. With typical warmth and humor, Rabbi Noveck gave us a clear understanding of the traditions, their basis in history, and the modifications which modernize the new Haggadah. Some of the passages were summarized, others were read in English and still others were said in the traditional Hebrew.

An atmosphere of conviviality was lent by the participation of those attending the Seder both as a whole group and as individuals. The able Mr. Yuder, Co-chairman of the United Jewish Appeal for the Park Avenue Synagogue, hid the Afikomen most securely. Between dinner courses, the younger generation scampered around, peeping behind draperies, looking under tablecloths until this special matzoh was finally discovered. As their rewards, Michael Aaron and cousins, Masters Berns and Dennistein will receive baseball equipment donated by Mr Yuder. Other young members who justified the teachings of the Hebrew School were Miss Elizabeth Kaplan and Masters Kreindler, Helfand and Wolff who asked the traditional questions. Masters Taurig and Ritey interpreted in English. Many of the adults livened the services by individual readings.

A Seder would count for little without singing and Cantor Putterman was at his usual best, both alone and with the choir. During dinner there was an additional treat rendered by impromptu singing of the choir.

At each table one member acted as leader dispensing the Matzoh, wine, bitter herbs, and making mention of the paschal lamb, burnt egg and Charoseth. Preparation of the above mentioned, as well as responsibility for the delicious dinner was in the very capable hands of Mrs. Harry J. Sokolow. A full course chicken dinner was a delight to the eye as well as to the palate. Thanks can not be too profusely rendered in the direction of Mrs. Sokolow, Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel Rosenthal who, in general, assisted with the Seder and the many others who aided in making the occasion a most successful endeavor.

Mazel Tov

TO Mrs. and Mrs. Henry Howe on their 20th Wedding Anniversary, May 5th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Norman Blumstein on their 6th Wedding Anniversary, May 19th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Hartstein on their 11th Wedding Anniversary, May 23rd.

TO Cantor David Putterman on his Birthday, May 29th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Irving H. Shapiro on their 31st Wedding Anniversary, May 26th.

TO Mrs. Bertha Davidson on her 86th Birthday, April 29th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Israel B. Oseas on the Birth of thier Granddaughter, Leah Ruth.

Young Marrieds to Hold Elections on May 20th

The Young Marrieds will next meet on Tuesday evening, May 20th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Weinstock, 511 East 20th Street.

The meeting will not only be social in nature, but the election of officers for next season will take place.

At the April meeting, the group heard Dr. Joseph Ben Yochanan speak on the customs, culture and religious observances of the Jews in Ethopia. Dr. Yochanan pointed out that the Falasha Jews are guided morally, culturally and religiously by the torah alone. He spoke of the simplicity of life in Gunda (the Jewish State in Ethopia), yet he maintained that most modern and scientific improvements are used and accepted there.

Aside from the non-importance of the Talmud in Gunda, the most singular departure there, at least as far as the Young Marrieds were concerned, is the practice of polygamy.

The group agreed that Dr. Ben Yochanan's talk was one of the most interesting and stimulating that was given this year.

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The Reconstructionist Foundation is sponsoring a series of Radio Programs entitled "Inside Jewish Life" every Sunday evening at 6:00 P.M. on Station WLIB. Subjects of vital interest will be discussed by nationally known speakers in round table discussions. Further details about this series will appear in BULLETIN.

Stephen Heyman Celebrates Bar Mitzvah on May 3rd

Stephen Heyman, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Heyman, will celebrate his Bar Mitzvah on Saturday morning, May 3rd. He will read the Haftorah, Kedosim, from the Book of Levitieus and interpret it in his own words.

Stephen, a member of the 8th grade at P. S. 30, plans to attend the Bronx Science High School and would like to continue his studies at Antioch College. He has attended the Park Avenue Synagogue Religious School for eight years and has studied four years of Hebrew.

Aside from his academic activities, Stephen's hobbies include horseback riding and reading books of science. His ambition is to follow in his fathers footsteps and become a jeweler.

Religious School Students To Hold Picnic and Field Day

The second annual Lag B'Omer Field Day and Picnic for the students of the Religious School will be held on Sunday, May 18th, at Randall's Island.

The program for the day includes a bus trip to the picnic grounds, track and field events, group games, dances and songs and cheers. A Father and Son Baseball Game will be a major feature of the picnic. The game last year ended in a victory for the "Sons", but the "Fathers" are sure that this is their year to win. At the end of the picnic, prizes will be awarded to the winners of all athletic events.

Students, who wish to attend the field day, must have their parent's permission. Parents are urged to return the consent post cards to the school office immediately.

GEORGE P. MONAGHAN

Police Commissioner To Address Men's Club

The last meeting of the Men's Club wil take place on Tuesday evening, May 13th, at 8:30 P.M.

The guest speaker will be the Police Commissioner of the City of New York, George P. Monaghan, who will discuss, "Crime Detection by the Police Department".

The last meeting of the season will also witness the election and installation of new officers.

All men are cordially invited to attend this meting.

Yizkor Elohim

RAY ROMAN
sister of Mrs. Jacob Klein

ROSE MARTIN
daughter of
Cantor and Mrs. Abraham Friedman

ABRAHAM GOTTERER
husband of Mrs. Belle Gotterer

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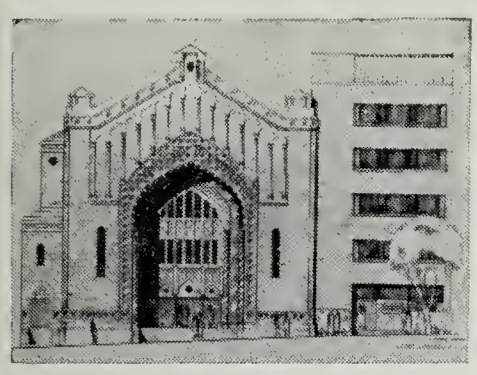
wife of Dr. Martin Gray



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Tenth Annual Musical Service, May 23rd

On Friday evening, May 23rd at 8:30 P.M. our Synagogue will be privileged to present the Tenth Annual Service of New Liturgical Music by Contemporary Composers. A new service for the Sabbath Eve by the renowned American composer, Frederick Jacobi, will receive its world premiere performance. Cantor David J. Putterman assisted by the Synagogue Choir augmented, under the direction of Max Helfman with Isidor Geller at the Organ, will perform this new work. At this service fifty two composers who, during the past ten years, have composed new Synagogue music for us will be honored with citations of tribute.

FREDERICK JACOBI

On this occasion of the Tenth Annual Service of New Liturgical Music by Contemporary Composers, the Park Avenue Synagogue pays tribute to each of the composers who, during the past ten years, contributed so generously of their creative genius to the enrichment of synagogue music. May God bless and inspire them to continue in their efforts towards the enhancement of Jewish worship.

Hugo C. Adler
Haim Alexander (IC)
Jacob Avshalomoff
Nicolai Berzowsky
Arthur V. Berger
Aviassof Bernstein (IC)
Leonard Bernstein
A. W. Binder
Ernest Bloch
Suzanne Bloch
Henry Brant
Herbert Brun (IC)
Julius Chajes
Paul Dessau
David Diamond
Lukas Foss
Isadore Freed
Herbert Fromm
Isidor Geller
Morton Gould
Yedidia Gorochov (IC)
Peter Gradenwitz (IC)
Alexandre Gretchaninoff
Joseph Gruenthal (IC)
P. Ben Haim (IC)
Roy Harris
Max Helfman
Frederick Jacobi
Marc Lavry (IC)
Ernest Levy
Moshe Lustig (IC)
Jacques de Menasce
Darius Milhaud
Douglas Moore
Naum Nardi (IC)
Paul Pisk
*Eda Rapoport (D)
Bernard Rogers
Salomo Rosowsky (IC)
Karl Salomon (IC)
Heinrich Schalit
Jakob Schonberg
Leo Smit
Leo Sowerby
Robert Starer (IC)
William Grant Still
Alexandre Tansman
Mario Castelnuovo-Tedesco
*Kurt Weill (D)
Jacob Weinberg
Yehuda H. Wohl (IC)
*Zavel Zilberts (D)

(IC) Israeli Composers.
*(D) Deceased

THE COMPOSER

Frederick Jacobi was born in San Francisco in 1891; his grandparents on both sides came from Germany about 1850. When he was a child his parents moved to New York where he attended the Ethical Culture School; his music teachers included Paolo Gallico, Rafael Joseffy, Rubin Goldmark and Ernest Bloch and, in Europe, Isidor Philipp and Paul Juon, the latter at the Hochschule fur Musik in Berlin.

When he was twenty-one he became assistant conductor at the Metropolitan Opera House, which post he held for five years. From 1936 to 1950 he was teacher of composition at the Juilliard School of Music; he has lectured at the University of California in Berkeley, at Mills College in Oakland and at the Julius Hartt School of Music in Hartford. For many years he was a member of the executive board of the League of Composers; he is a member of ASCAP and of the Jewish Academy of Arts and Letters and has twice won the award of the Society for Publication of American Music. He received Honorable Mention in the Coolidge Competition of 1924 and was recipient of the David Bisphan Memorial Award in 1945.

His compositions include three string quartets, a quintet for piano and strings (Hagiographa: Three Biblical Narratives), a concerto for 'cello and orchestra, a concerto for violin and orchestra, a concertino for piano and string orchestra (which has been extensively played by his wife, Irene Jacobi); a symphony and an opera, The Prodigal Son (which won the Bisphan Award), to say nothing of various smaller works for voice, violin, viola, organ etc.

Among his interests has been the

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What Price Leadership

By
Maxwell Abbell

One of the saddest aspects of Jewish life in America is the manner in which the funds so generously contributed by American Jewry are divided, so contrary to Jewish traditions and to the preservation of interest in Jewish life. All sorts of institutions, particularly on a local level, are treated very generously as compared with the national and overseas budgets for similar activities.

There is one exception, however, to this statement—the field of Jewish Education. For this basic activity the "people of the book" lose all sense of proportion and, in almost every Jewish community, allocate far less than is necessary and desirable. Yet every thinking Jew concedes that Jewish education is more important to the continued existence of the Jewish community than most of the other projects far more liberally supported.

On a national scale this phenomenon is further reflected in the liberal allotments to the so-called defense agencies whose work is for the most part negative as compared to the positive programs of the leading theological seminaries and their auxiliary national organizations, and even as compared to such national organizations as the American Association for Jewish Education and Histradut Ivrit, the association dedicated to the revival of Hebrew and the Hebrew book in America. This anomalous situation, the spending of more funds "to defend and to protect" from outside detractors than on teaching and inculcating ourselves and the rising generation of Jews with a normal and wholesome understanding of our heritage, can only be explained in terms of the character of the leadership responsible for the distribution of the monies. The only possible conclusion is that the leaders charged with these tasks are indifferent Jews. Frequently, they have deserted their own religion and people.

In community after community heads of federations and members of their boards, heads of local institutions and members of their boards, leaders and board members of Welfare Funds and Community Councils—and this situation is duplicated on national and regional levels also—are men who have married out of their faith and, worse still, are bringing up their children as non-Jews. What other group would recognize as leaders persons who are traitors to the beliefs and ideals, attitudes and aspirations of the group? To ask the question is to answer it.

It is only we Jews, who, in the chase for the almighty dollar for communal purposes, have lost sight of the prophetic ideals and teachings, in reality the only justification for our continued existence. A people that has so lost its self-respect as to make leaders of those who are traitors to its ideals can not long endure. The continued existence of the Jewish people has been due to the leadership of consecrated Jews who stood ready to sacrifice even their lives for their religious and ethical ideals. When, however, all of this is sacrificed for a few paltry dollars, then there is little left to justify the group's continued life.

If those of us who are active in our local communities and in national organizations scrutinized the membership and officials of boards from this point of view we could establish readily standards that would exclude all such persons from offices of honor and leadership. Such boards would then have a positive outlook towards Jewish life; Jewish education and Jewish religion would then cease to be the step-children of the Jewish community.

letter to the editor

Dear Editor:

In a review of Judge Botein's book "Trial Judge", by David H. Peck, Presiding Justice of the Appellate Division, First Department, which appeared on the Editorial page of the New York Law Journal in the April 29th issue, the Presiding Justice writes a most laudatory opinion of Judge Botein's maiden effort as an author. Since the entire review cannot be printed here in full, the following extracts will give our readers some insight into Judge Botein's character, ability, integrity and humanity as one of the leading Supreme Court Justices.

"It (the book) is intimate, flavorful and a reflection of the personality and character of the man, as well as a distillation of his experience and observations as a trial judge . . . It has perspective, a balance of philosophy and practicality and an overall humanity. "Drama in the Courtroom" is only one chapter, by title, but the drama which inheres and abounds in this book is absorbing. There is poignancy in chapters like "A Day in Bellevue" and "The Child in Court" but there is no heaviness in the writing, and one of the accomplishments is its story telling quality."

Space does not permit any further quotations, but I cannot close without adding the following from the Presiding Justice's review. "In sum, Judge Botein's book can be read with profit and pleasure by the experts and emanated in the law by those who dwell in or pass thru our halls or just pass by with nothing more than curiosity as to what goes on inside."

Truly a worthy review of a fascinating book and we of the Park Avenue Synagogue can well be proud of Judge Botein's accomplishment.

Jacob Klein
President

Pulpit Notes

On Saturday, May 17th, Mr. Herman Belth read the Haftorah from the Prophet Ezekiel, Chapter 44, 15 to 31.

Senior League Hears Speaker From Jerusalem

The Senior League observed Israel Independence Day on the occasion of its last open meeting of the season on Thursday, April 24th. Dr. Cherrick of Hebrew University of Jerusalem addressed a capacity audience on "The Foundations and Goals of Hebrew University." So informative was the talk and so enthusiastically was it received that it is hoped Dr. Cherrick will visit with us again on the occasion of his next stay in the United States.

A forum followed the prepared address and refreshments were served thereafter. Co-chairmen of the meeting were Henry Moed and Bernard Raphan.

The remainder of the current club season will be devoted to League matters. A lawn party for members only is planned for mid-May and the annual club outing is scheduled for mid-June. Closed meetings will be called to receive close-of-season committee reports and recommendations and to elect officers for the coming year.

Men's Club Elects Officers For Year

At the last meeting of the Men's Club on Tuesday evening, May 13th officers were nominated, elected and installed for the coming year. Joseph H. Katz was reelected for the fourth term as President. Other officers are: 1st Vice-President, Milton Sivek; 2nd Vice-President, Dr. Ira Fink; Corresponding Secretary, Martin Miller; Recording Secretary, Louis Heller; Treasurer, Lawrence A. Meyer; Directors for 2 years, Leon Klein, James J. Liebman,; Directors for 3 years, Charles Bennet, Dr. Harry Neivert, Judge Maxwell Shapiro and Dr. Sigmund Siegel. The induction of officers was conducted by Mr. Jacob Klein, President of the Synagogue and also a member of the Men's Club.

Silos to Entertain Parents' Association

RUTH AND JOHN SILO

The Parents Association of the Park Avenue Synagogue is planning a most unusual and varied program for its final meeting to be held on the evening of May 21st in the Vestry. On that occasion, Israel's ambassador of laughter, Jon Silo, his wife and young daughter, will entertain with a variety program of humor, satire and song.

Born in Jerusalem, TV star, Jon Silo, has gained a wealth of experience from his many appearances in Hebrew plays before pioneer groups in Palestine. For over sixteen years with the Art Theatre, this versatile artist and his charming wife have entertained crowds of service men and women during their extensive USO-Jewish Welfare Board tour. In the past year, Jon has been featured on TV shows such as "Hands of Destiny," "Freedom House," and many others. In a recent program on the air, "Americans by Choice," Jon's portrayals of Walter Damrosch, Sam Bernard and other notable figures were regarded as "proverbial knockouts." Currently, this talented character actor can be seen on "Not for Publication" every Tuesday evening on TV Channel 5 from 10-10:30 P.M.

Jon's wife, Ruth, is an outstanding radio-artist monologist in her own right and is especially well known for her fine, sensitive performance of "H 326572."

The Parents Association is proud to present these versatile artists in their program of songs, sketches and character portrayals. This will be a fitting celebration to honor the seventh birthday of the organization of the Association.

At this meeting there will be the election of officers for the coming year. The following slate has been presented by the Nominating Committee, approved by the Executive Board and will be voted upon by the members at large:

President: Mrs. Herman Helpern.

Chairman of Executive Board: Mrs. Harry Zucker

Vice-Presidents: Mr. Bernard Weintraub, Mrs. Milton Helpern and Mrs. George Heyman.

Recording Secretary: Mrs. Hector Ritey.

Corresponding Secretary: Mrs. Jack Hoexter.

Treasurer: Mrs. Nelson Ruttenberg.

Delegates to the U.P.T.A.: Mrs. Stanley Simon (Chairman), and Mrs. A. Stangel.

In addition, Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer will submit a report on the evaluation of the work accomplished during the year by the Parents' Association. Not only will Mrs. Wimpfheimer trace the progress of the Association, but she will also explain the new projects it hopes to undertake next year.

This meeting will mark the seventh year since the founding of the Parents Association, and all of the members of the Synagogue and their friends are invited to attend this birthday party.

Sisterhood to Hold Elections Meeting

On May 20th, Sisterhood will hold a triple celebration—Birthday Party, Installation of Officers and Strawberry Festival.

The following slate of officers has been nominated:

Chaplain—Mrs. Samuel Wimpfheimer
President—Mrs. Sigmund Siegel
First Vice President—Mrs. Irwin Rome
Second Vice President—Mrs. Samuel Gellert
Third Vice President—Mrs. Henry Howe
Fourth Vice President—Mrs. Tubie Resnick
Recording Secretary—Mrs. Saul Granetts
Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. Caroline Manheimer
Financial Secretary—Mrs. Mortimer Millheiser
Treasurer—Mrs. William Karmiol
New Board Members—Mrs. Theodore Meistrich and Mrs. Felix Jacobi

Music Service

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music of the American Indians; he spent considerable time among the Pueblos and the Navajos of our great Southwest, collecting their melodies, some of which he used in his first string quartet and in the orchestral compositions: Indian Dances and Yeibichai. His works have been played by Koussevitzky, Stokowski, Szell, Monteux,Hertz, Bodanzky, Sevitzky, Stock, Smallens, F. Charles Adler, Thomas Scherman, Rodzinski, Fritz Mahler, Stoessel, Alexanian, Grandjany, Heifetz, Albert Spalding as well as the famous quartets: Flonzaley, Pro Arte, Budapest, Paganini, Kolisch and Kroll.

THE WORK

Although Jacobi received no formal religious instruction as a child, he began to study Hebrew when he was about thirty years old. His imagination was captured by the language and the spiritual content of Jewish history. He has become more and more involved in matters pertaining to Jewish music and his works along these lines include the Quintet (Hagiographa), Ode for Orchestra, the 'cello concerto (inspired by three Psalms), Ahavas Olom (written for the Park Avenue Synagogue), Rhapsody for Harp and Strings, Hymn (Saadia Gaon), Ode to Zion (Jehuda Halevi), From the Prophet Nehemiah for voice and two pianos, as well as a group of organ pieces for use in the Synagogue and his first Friday Evening Service, written in 1931 for Lazare Saminsky and the Temple Emanuel in New York.

The present Service, Arvit l'Shabbat, was written during the winter of 1952 in close collaboration with Cantor Putterman. It aims at a simplicity which, in certain numbers at least, will ultimately permit of congregational participation in the singing, following a trend which seems to be growing in Synagogue circles. The work is conceived as an architectural entity: its nineteen individual numbers are held together by the recur rence of several musical motives and by a planned sequence of tonalities. It is dedicated to Cantor Putterman and the Park Avenue Synagogue.

Mazel Tov

TO Mr. and Mrs. Louis Greenstein on the Marriage of their son, S. Robert, to Miss Janice Glantz, March 30th.

TO Miss Anne Lazarovsky on her Birthday, April 27th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Dudley L. Greenstein on the Birth of their son, Alan Judah, and to his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Greenstein.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Allen Finn on the Birth of their son, Andrew Michael, April 20th, and to his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Finn and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Kaye.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Garber on the Birth of their daughter, Janet.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Irving Stern on the Birth of their son, Barrett J.

TO Mrs. Charles Weill on her 84th Birthday, June 13th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Fred Abrams on their 35th Wedding Anniversary, June 1st.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sokolow on their 35th Wedding Anniversary, June 3rd.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Ginsberg on their 50th Wedding Anniversary, June 7th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. A. Vitelli on their 5th Wedding Anniversary, June 16th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rubin on their 20th Wedding Anniversary, June 21st.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Cohen on their 5th Wedding Anniversary, June 22nd.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Bruno Foa on their 15th Wedding Anniversary, June 24th.

TO Dr. and Mrs. Nathan Rosenthal on their 30th Wedding Anniversary, June 26th.

TO Mrs. Emanuel Rosenthal on her Birthday, June 16th

TO Dr. and Mrs. Mack Fieber on their 10th Wedding Anniversary, June 30th.

TO Dr. and Mrs. Sidney Blauner on the Marriage of their son, Alan to Bette Ann Berman, March 30th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Gross on their 37th Wedding Anniversary, June 15th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Isidore Hahn on their 26th Wedding Anniversary on June 2nd.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Arkin on their 31st Wedding Anniversary on June 7th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Leo Rosenhirsch on their 16th Wedding Anniversary on June 10th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. George Lyttle on their 32nd Wedding Anniversary, June 22nd.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Ochs on their 36th Wedding Anniversary, June 25th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Joseph I. Lubin on their 26th Wedding Anniversary, June 27th.

TO Dr. and Mrs. Murray Rubinstein on their 26th Wedding Anniversary, June 27th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Sanford H. Cohen on their 32nd Wedding Anniversary, June 27th.

TO Mrs. and Mrs. Jules Mendel on their 30th Wedding Anniversary, June 25th.

TO Dr. and Mrs. William Karmiol on their 25th Wedding Anniversary, on May 26th.

This is the last issue of BULLETIN until September. We would like to take this opportunity to wish you an enjoyable summer. See you in 5713!

THE STAFF

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Tuesday, May 20th ..... 1:00 P.M.
Sisterhood Meeting

Tuesday, May 20th ..... 8:30 P.M.
Young Marrieds Meeting

Wednesday, May 21st ..... 8:30 P.M.
Parents' Association Meeting
"The Silo Family"

Friday, May 23rd ..... 8:30 P.M.
10th Annual Service of
New Liturgical Music

Saturday, May 24th ..... 10:00 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach

Friday, May 30th ..... 9:30 P.M.
Confirmation Service

United Jewish Appeal Needs Your Support

The celebration of the Fourth Anniversary of Israel's Independence is an occasion for great joy on the part of Jews throughout the world. For Eretz Israel resurrected has now come through four years of trial and tribulation. Today the young state stands as a bastion of democracy in the Middle East as well as an open door to freedom for the hundreds of thousands of oppressed and persecuted Jews who seek its shores.

However, Israel's survival and ability to keep its gates open are now threatened by the grim economic crisis which demands the greatest sacrifices from its people and saps their spirit and strength. What they need most now is time and the help that only we through the United Jewish Appeal can provide. For if Israel comes through this period safe and sound, it wil be able to shoulder its responsibilities in the future.

The United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York is now engaged in a great campaign to secure this aid and it is the duty of every Jew to support this campaign wholeheartedly for on this response depends the survival of Israel.

Cantors Assembly Honors Cantor David Putterman

The Cantors Assembly and The Department of Music of the United Synagogue of America has just held its Fifth Annual Conference-Convention. Cantor David Putterman is the Executive Vice President of The Cantors Assembly and the Director of The Department of Music.

More than two hundred Cantors from the United States and Canada attended this historic Convention. The formal and official announcement was made of the opening this Fall of the Cantors Institute of the Seminary. The members of the Assembly pledged $25,000 annually for the financial support of the Cantors Institute. A revised Constitution and By-Laws was adopted changing the name of the The Cantors Assembly to The Cantors Assembly of America. New standards and qualifications for membership were also adopted.

The following Resolution on the Status of the Cantor was unanimously adopted:

"WHEREAS, the Cantor is traditionally the custodian of our sacred musical liturgy and prayer modes, the Sheliach Tsibur, the emissary of his Congregation in prayer and supplication before God, representing them as their spokesman and petitioner in worship, imbuing each and every religious rite and service with aesthetic beauty and dignity, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED AND REAFFIRMED, that the Cantor possessing genuine piety, beauty of voice, and the hebraic, chazanic, and musical qualifications, functioning as a Cantor in a bona-fide Congregation, is according to Jewish law, tradition, and practice, a religious functionary and a Minister of Chazanut. The Cantor as a religious functionary officiates at all religious rites and services and as the Minister of Chazanut is the all-embracing musical personality of his Congregation and the authority in all matters pertaining to Jewish liturgical music in the Synagogue."

Cantor Putterman was honored and presented with a special citation in the form of a bronze placque which reads:

MIZMOR L'DAVID

"Pursuant to a resolution unanimously adopted by the Executive Council of The Cantors Assembly this placque is awarded to

Cantor David Putterman

on the occasion of the Fifth Annual Convention of The Cantors Assembly held on the 7th day of May, 1952, in grateful recognition of his outstanding efforts as its Founder, Organizer and Executive Vice President and in behalf of the Cantorial profession and as one of the motivating influences in the realization of The Cantors Institute of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America."

SCHOOL NEWS

Registration of new students for the September 1952 term of the Primary Department and the Hebrew Department of the Religious School may be made any afternoon during May and June in the School office.

Primary Department for ages 6 through 9 meets once a week on Sunday morning. Hebrew Department for ages 9 and up meets two afternoons a week and on Saturday morning. Parents whose children do not attend the Religious School, are urged to enroll their children immediately.

Closing exercises for the Primary Department of the school will be held on May 25th. The program will include the distribution of prizes and the presentation by the students of a culminating program of the year's activity and study. Students of the school may invite a friend to the school party which will be a feature of the end-of-year program.

Birthday Celebrations For Students in May

Birthday greetings to the students of the Religious School who celebrate during the month of May: Peter Bienstock, Michael Borenstein, Richard Fieber, Betty Golden, Stephen Goldstein, Willa Grauer, Susan L. Jacobs, Barbara Julich, Geraldine Klein, Edward Kotkin, Barbara Katz, Roger Kahn, Benjamin Lobel, Phyllis Mishkin, Richard Pesikoff, Daniel Ritey, Kenneth Rosen, Carl Shullman, Andrew Sheskin, Mark Siegel, Eric Weinberg, Joseph Weintraub, Robert Ungar.

Rabbi Noveck Speaks At Boston Convention

Rabbi Noveck who was recently appointed director of the National Academy of Adult Jewish Studies delivered one of the principle addresses at the combined Convention of the United Synagogue of America and the National Federation of Men's Clubs held in Boston from May 14th to May 18th. The address was entitled "The Character of the Modern Jew" and was given at the Luncheon session on Friday, May 16th. It dealt with the new standards to be promulgated by the Academy in the field of Adult Jewish Education and the program to be launched in the fall to retain the intellectual character of the American Jew.

In addition Rabbi Noveck planned three study groups on Bible, Ethics and Talmud given Saturday afternoon for the benefit of the delegates. The Rabbi also worked in cooperation with the National Federation of Men's Clubs and arranged, together with Mr. Barnett Lieberman of Philadelphia, for a special symposium on Adult Jewish Education which was held on Friday morning, May 16th.

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SCHEDULE OF SHAVUOTH SERVICES

First Evening, Thursday, May 29th.....6:00 P.M.
First Morning, Friday, May 30th.....9:30 A.M.

CONFIRMATION SERVICE

Second Evening, Friday, May 30th.....6:00 P.M.
Second Morning, Saturday, May 31st.....9:30 A.M.

YISKOR (MEMORIAL) SERVICE

Rabbi Simon Noveck will preach.

Confirmation Service to be Part of Shavuoth Services, Friday, May 30th

On Friday morning, May 30th, the first day of Shavuoth, 9 students will be confirmed. They are:

Hannah Cohen	Arthur Jacobs
Martin Gelfand	Gail Kaplan
Judith Godwin	Barbara Katz
Marilyn Greenberg	Ruth Katz

David Ruttenberg

The confirmants, who have studied with Rabbi Noveck, Cantor Putterman and Mr. Sanford Hahn, have adopted the theme "Judaism as a Way of Life" as the subject for discussion at the service. Four students will analyze various aspects of the subject. Other confirmants will participate in the services, and explain and read the Haftorah.

Bibles and diplomas will be awarded to the confirmants by Mr. Victor J. Herwitz, chairman of the School Board.

Mr. Joseph Howard Katz, will present a Youth Leadership Award, sponsored by the Men's Club, to an outstanding member of the school.

Judge Simon H. Rifkind, Vice Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Seminary and a member of the Park Avenue Synagogue delivered the keynote address on Wednesday evening, May 14th.

The delegates to the Combined Convention from the Park Avenue Synagogue were: Jacob Klein, I. B. Oseas, Harold Starkman, Victor Herwitz and Archie Thurman; the latter two also represented the Men's Club of the Synagogue.

Gustave Yuder Appointed New UJA Co-Chairman

The appointment of Mr. Gustave Yuder as a Co-Chairman of the United Jewish Appeal Drive in the Park Avenue Synagogue, has been announced by Mr. Benjamin Sack, Chairman of the Board of Trustees. The other Co-Chairmen of the Drive are Dr. Harold Osserman and Mr. Sanford H. Cohen.

If you wish the names of your departed memorialized, please fill in the enclosed card and return to the Synagogue office.

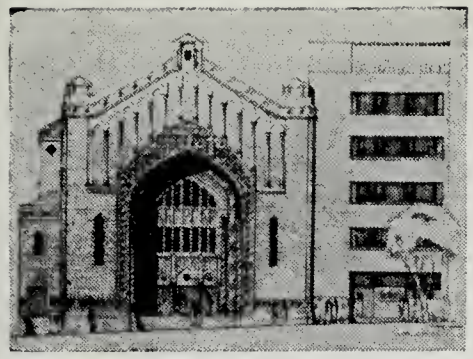
Young Marrieds Meet To Elect New Officers

The Young Marrieds will next meet on Tuesday evening, May 20th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Weinstock, 511 East 20th Street.

The meeting will not only be social in nature, but the election of officers for next season will take place.

Yizkor Elohim

MIRIAM D. FRIEDMAN
mother of Dr. E. D. Friedman



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High Holy Days Dedicate Our New Season

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Rosh Hashanah Eve, Friday, Sept. 19th.....5:45 P.M.
Rosh Hashanah Morning, Saturday, Sept. 20..8:30 A.M.

Rabbi Noveck will preach:
"The Spirit of the American Jewish Community"

Second Evening, Saturday, Sept. 20th.....5:45 P.M.
Second Morning, Sunday, Sept. 21st.....8:30 A.M.

Rabbi Noveck will speak on:
"An Authentic Religion for American Jews"

Shabat Shuvah, Friday, Sept. 26th.....5:45 P.M.
Saturday Morning, Sept. 27th.....9:45 A.M.
Kol Nidre, Sunday, Sept. 28th .....5:30 P.M.

Rabbi Noveck will preach:
"The Power of a Great Tradition"

Yom Kippur, Monday, Sept. 29th.....8:30 A.M.

Sermon will be:
"Moral Leadership for Our Times"

Yizkor (Memorial Services).....3:00 P.M.

Rabbi Noveck will deliver a brief sermonette before Yiskor.

The Park Avenue Synagogue will usher in the Jewish New Year this Friday, September 19th at 6:00 P.M. The High Holy Day services will be conducted by Rabbi Simon Noveck and Cantor David J. Putterman assisted by the Synagogue Choir and the Organist.

Cantor Abraham Friedman will conduct the early Shacharit services in the Main Synagogue while Mr. Boruch Levine, rabbinical student at the Jewish Theological Seminary, will conduct them in the Vestry. Mr. Isidore Hahn will blow the Shofar.

A special Junior Congregation service will take place on Saturday and Sunday mornings, September 20th and 21st at 11:30 A.M., and on September 29th at 11:30 A.M. under the direction of Mr. Boruch Levine with the assistance of some of the young people, at the Jewish Museum.

The theme of Rabbi Noveck's sermon on the first day of Rosh Hashanah will be "The Spirit of the American Jewish Community". Taking as his framework the broad canvas of the total American Jewish Community, Rabbi Noveck will give an analysis of the psychology and spirit of the American Jew—his urge towards integration, his spirit of freedom and his activity mindedness. In each case the rabbi will suggest that, without giving up the present spirit, new emphasis is needed if the American Jewish Community is to become creative and permanent.

On the second day his theme will be "An Authentic Re-

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Sisterhood Contributes $25,000 to Memorial Fund

No more heartening event in the drive for the Milton Steinberg Memorial Building took place than the receipt of a check in the amount of $11,340.45 on May 12th from our wonderful Sisterhood to complete in full its $25,000. pledge made in January 1950. I take pride and pleasure in reprinting a photograph of the check for all to see.

The check was the net result of the Bazaar which was thoroughly planned, efficiently handled and a great success.

Here is a group devoted to the ideals and wishes of our late beloved Milton Steinberg; they act as an inspiration to the success of our efforts. You will be delighted to know that the plans of our architects have been approved by the

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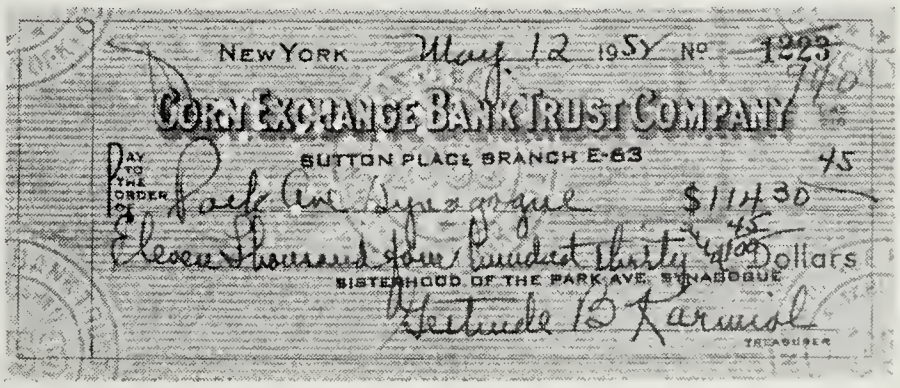
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from the desk of Rabbi Noveck

There is an ancient Jewish legend that the angels in heaven once came before God and asked, "When is the New Year"? and God replied, "When man will cease doing evil and there will be peace, justice and true brotherhood on earth, then it will be New Years".

In this ultimate sense we still have a long time before we can celebrate a real New Year. Rosh Hashanah, however, is the time when we dedicate ourselves anew to work for a "newer and braver world".

"B'Rosh Ha-Shonah Neevroh Hoolom". It was on Rosh Hashanah, say the sages, that the world was originally created and our task at this season of the year is to do our share in fashioning a world "closer to our heart's desire". We must first of all concern ourselves with the problems of the moment—the tensions between our world and that of the Russians, the rise of neo-Nazi parties in Germany, and the persistent intransigence of the Arab states, not to speak of the discrepancies which exist in our own country between the American dream and the realities of our land. The liturgy of these high holy days urges us to work with all our might for the time "when wickedness will vanish like smoke, and the dominion of tyranny will be removed from the earth."

Secondly, we must be concerned with the Jewish community and its problems. Such causes as the United Jewish Appeal and the Bond Drive, Federation and the Seminary, constitute "sine qua nons" for American Jews who are concerned with the survival of our people.

Finally, and most important of all, the spirit of these holidays urges us to renew our interest in the Synagogue as the source of the religious and cultural life of our people. The many secular organizations which characterize American Jewish life are undoubtedly temporary phenomena. Another generation or two and they will lose the hold they have upon the community. The future of the American Jew is dependent on the Synagogue and its program of activities.

This year promises to be a significant one in the life of the Park Avenue Synagogue. At long last there is a possibility that the great dream of a new educational edifice and a memorial to Rabbi Milton Steinberg will become a reality. However, this is dependent on the sense of sacrifice that will be displayed by the membership of the Synagogue. I sincerely hope that every member of our congregation will do his or her share to make sure that our plans come to fruition.

I want to wish each one of you and your families a happy and a healthy New Year. L'Shonah Tova Teekosayvu.

During this season of the year the Synagogue office is busily engaged in making arrangements for the Holy Day Services and other activities of the Congregation. Members are requested to make this work easier by informing the office of all vital statistics including change of address, marriages, births etc. Send or call all information to Mr. Emanuel Rosenthal, executive secretary.

message from the Board Chairman

Welcome to all. I trust that everyone has had a pleasant summer and enjoyed good health.

For all of us 1952-1953 will be a year of decision. Many problems face your Board of Trustees, Advisory Council, officers, and most particularly, the membership at large. For those of us, long in the service of the Synagogue, situations have arisen from time to time, were met, solved, and the Synagogue family and its prestige emerged stronger and more vital.

For those members who have been with us for a shorter period, opportunities lie ahead for sharing in communal responsibilities which will make a paradox of the arithmetic table: the more you give of yourself in money, time and dedication, the richer you become.

Facing us immediately is the wonderful prospect of our new building, now visibly in the course of construction. What a genuine occasion for us to translate our deep seated devotion to the memory of our incomparable Milton Steinberg and, at the same time, create a much needed facility—our New School.

There have been so many requests for space from all arms of the Synagogue, it would repuire a ten story building to satisfy them. Therefore, one of the important decisions that must be made is to provide for our primary needs in a manner that will encourage everyone to support the efforts of our Building Commitmtee and the Committee entrusted to finance the construction.

Another facet of our congregational life is the tie we have to The Jewish Theological Seminary of America. More and more we become increasingly aware of the important part Seminary plays in our institutional life as a Synagogue, and, that as a single institution, we are regarded as one of the important members of the Seminary family.

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message from the President

Happy New Year to you and to all those near and dear to you. In addition to this message of greeting, I want to add this thought on the approaching High Holy Days.

When Israel departed from Egypt the Bible says that they left "Beyad Ramah", with dignity and pride. However, the sages tell us that they did not retain their composure for any length of time. When they saw the Egyptians pursuing them, they raised a hue and cry against Moses saying that he had conspired to have them killed in the desert. In spite of this unjustified accusation, Moses did not lose his head but, in a quiet and dignified manner, pleaded with them, closing his appeal with the following beautiful statement: "God will fight for you and you hold your peace."

For thousands of years, thereafter, the Jews followed this counsel trusting in God and relying entirely upon his saving power. However, the people have, at times, taken this statement too literally, expecting God to do all the fighting

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SYNAGOGUE ARMS PLAN FOR NEW YEAR

Sisterhood to Publish Journal for Luncheon

This year, because of the urgent need for funds, Sisterhood is publishing a Journal in conjunction with its annual Donor Luncheon which will be held on Tuesday, December 9th. Although the time is short, it is hoped that the incentive of earning a luncheon invitation for every $50. worth of ads secured will make this venture a success. The publisher's deadline for ads is November 9th.

The luncheon to be held in the Grand Ballroom of the Astor Hotel, will feature a fashion show. Miss Maggie McNellis will comment upon creations from the major fashion designers of America.

Members will be offered books of chances for the luncheon. Those who have not yet received their books and wish them now should contact the Chairman, Mrs. Mack Fieber, SAcramento 2-1834.

Blanks for the Journal may be obtained from the Chairman, Mrs. Saul Granetts, TRafalgar 9-8919.

greetings from the Sisterhood president

I want to extend to each and every member of the Sisterhood the best wishes of the Officers and Board for a very happy, healthy and prosperous New Year.

It is traditional, at this time, to rededicate ourselves and our organization to the ideals and principles we wish to attain. For the past few years we have added to our goals the shining light of a Memorial Building, the erection of which was to be our primary desire and purpose. Now we are on the threshold of seeing that Memorial become a reality We must, therefore, not falter at this last stage, but must attack our task with renewed zeal and accomplishment. To this end we are inaugurating a Journal at our annual Donor Luncheon on December 9th.

The success of both these enterprises can be attained only through the efforts of each member of Sisterhood in securing ads and selling luncheon books. This is a much easier task then putting the bricks up ourselves. Let us start right now—the time is very short.

My very best wishes to you all.

PHYLLIS SIEGEL

Young Marrieds' Plans For Coming Season Announced by Prexy

The Young Marrieds Group extend to Rabbi Noveck, Cantor Putterman, the Synagogue officials, to the members of the congregation and their families, our best wishes for a very happy, prosperous and successful New Year.

We also extend a cordial invitation to all young married couples in the Synagogue to join our group. Our program for the coming year is a varied one, designed to have a wide appeal. We have already engaged as speakers for our informal discussion meetings, Joseph Ben Yohannen, who led an unusually interesting meeting last year, and Eliezer Whartman of the Israel Office of Information, who will present some controversial views on the question, "Is there a future for American Jews?" We expect to obtain several other noted speakers on topics of current interest.

We have also planned a number of social meetings and at least two major social functions, the first of which is expected to be a Cocktail Party at the Raleigh Room of the Warwick Hotel on a Sunday afternoon this fall.

SIDNEY J. SILBERMAN

A theatre party sponsored by the Men's Club, will be held on Wednesday evening, December 17th. A new exciting drama, by the successful playwright, Terence Rattigan—"The Deep Blue Sea", stars Margaret Sullivan. For tickets, call the Synagogue office or Mr. Archie I. Thurman, Chairman, ATwater 9-0849.

Men's Club Program Planned for New Year

The Men's Club has embarked on a very ambitious program for the year 1952-53. The meetings, once a month, will again feature outstanding speakers and celebrities, a Ladies' Night, an Inter Faith night, and a card party.

For its extra-curricular activities, it is planning a theatre party on December 17th to raise funds toward its pledge to the Milton Steinberg Building Drive, a Men's Club Sabbath, and the Youth Leadership Award. In addition to the above, the ushering during all the holidays will again be sponsored by the Club. Ever mindful of its purposes, the Men's Club is dedicated to promote cultural and spiritual projects of the Synagogue, to foster social relationships and to initiate and aid communal projects in the community at large.

greetings from the Men's Club president

Standing on the threshold of a New Year, I am privileged to greet our fellow members and their loved ones. May the New Year bring with it the fullest measure of health and happiness, as well as justice, peace and brotherhood among all nations and all men.

JOSEPH HOWARD KATZ

Sisterhood's Contribution . . .

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Building Department; bids for construction are nearly all assembled and some of the work begun.

Let us emulate the example of the Sisterhood, by completing payment of our pledges as early as possible, and making new ones so that the Memorial Building will become a living reality by next spring.

ISIDORE M. COHEN
Chairman of Building Fund

High Holy Days

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ligion for American Jews". Noting the shift of interest today from secular activities back to religion, Rabbi Noveck will analyze this current religious trend to see whether it is an authentic religion that is emerging in America. He will describe the enduring value of Judaism and compare the Jewish religion in America with these past values.

In his Kol Nidre address "The Power of a Great Tradition", the rabbi will deal with the importance of tradition and discuss the impact of this tradition upon the lives of each one of us. He will demonstrate the power of this tradition in unifying the Jewish people, in giving us perspective, and in giving us courage for living.

On Yom Kippur, Rabbi Noveck will take the theme "Moral Leadership for Our Times" and demonstrate the great role that leaders with the proper background and outlook can play in moulding the destiny of American Jewry.

The rabbi will deliver a sermonette before the Yiskor service. He will discuss the recent trends in Israel and the relationship of the American Jew to the New State.

Message From the Chairman

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Above the purely administration level of the Synagogue, Seminary provides us and other Conservative Synagogues with Rabbis, Cantors, Teachers, ritual guides, school standards, etc. We owe a great debt to Seminary. Many of us have recognized this fact and have regarded the financial support of Seminary as an integral part of our Synagogue obligation.

For Seminary we must decide ways and means of discharging our annual obligations, not on a crisis basis, but on a regular agreed upon procedure which will serve to justify the enviable position we hold among the Synagogues supporting Seminary.

A third member of the trio constituting our complete religious equipment is the Reconstructionist movement. I address this principally to those members who have become part of the Park Avenue family during the past three years.

We as a congregation, are dedicated to most of the principles embodied in the Reconstructionist movement. Its philosophy is impressed in the character of our living as Jews. It has made completely compatible our living as Jews and as Americans. Under the impact of our Rabbis, most of us in the Synagogue take this conditioning as naturally as being Americans.

Yet each American pays an assortment of taxes for being an American. Each member of our Synagogue should decide for himself and herself the extent of the annual obligation to the Reconstructionist movement for the enormous intangible value imparted to us in providing a way of life as Jews in this wonderful country of ours.

Important as they are—so much for decisions involving money.

We are a marvellous congregation. Statistically we represent nearly every branch of professional and industrial endeavor. Among us there are represented talents of a wide variety.

I know our congregational life would be more stimulating and more successful if we received the consent of our members to serve on one or more of the numerous committees that function ten months of each year. It will be a rewarding experience, I assure you, to assist in many decisions which must be made in connection with the completion, furnishing and operation of our new building. That is but one example.

Our Adult Education Committee is an attractive Committee engaged in the top intellectual activity of the Synagogue. I should like to know who among the members would like to participate in making the decisions of this Committee.

Surely there is among us more than one member who has the ingenuity to promote an annual social gathering of the congregation which could be made a memorable fixture in the life of the Synagogue.

These are but a few of the areas of our busy congregational life which call for thought and decision. As our activities throughout are conducted democratically I should like to feel that in the rotation of authority we are encouraging every qualified member to come forward and assist in making the decisions so important to the tranquility of our institution.

In closing, let this New Year be one of participation and enjoyment of every phase of Synagogue activity. Happy New Year to all.

BENJAMIN SACK

Saturday morning services this year will begin at 9:45 A.M. instead of 10:00 A.M. and will end at 12 noon or shortly before.

Message From the President

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while they stood on the side lines.

The Orthodox Jew contended that we had no right to fight for Palestine but in good time when the Messiah would come, God would lead us to the Holy Land. Most Reform Jews until recently had no interest whatsoever in redeeming "Eretz Yisrael". It was primarly the Conservative Jew who faced the issue and strove with blood, sweat and tears until the State of Israel was finally proclaimed four years ago.

This affirmative attitude represents the true Jewish viewpoint, that man should be a "shutaf", a partner with God in the "liberation war of humanity." Our own Milton Steinberg, of blessed memory, shortly after the proclamation of the State, delivered a sermon in which he said, among other things, "that this accomplishment was a greater miracle than the Exodus from Egypt, because he said, God performed the miracle of the Exodus and the miracle of the State of Israel was accomplished by the Jewish people." This time the Jewish people were doing the fighting, participating with God in this miracle of redemption.

This great lesson which comes to us from Jewish tradition and from our own recent history is a very important one for us as American Jews. Traditionally the Shofar is blown throughout this month of Elul. It is a call to us not to remain quiet but to join the fight for a "braver and a newer world."

Each one of us must, within his ability, do his best to support the great causes which constitute the foundations of American Judaism: the Synagogue, the Steinberg Memorial, United Jewish Appeal, Federation and the Seminary. I ask no one to go beyond his financial ability, but, to the extent that he is in a position to do so, everyone should support these institutions, and others

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New Members Invited To Join Youth Groups

The executive committees of the Judah Halevi Society and the Halutzim have been meeting to plan their programs of dances, lectures, debates, holiday celebrations and inter-synagogue events for the year.

Young people in the synagogue are invited to inquire at the school office about membership in each of the following groups:

Judah Halevi Society—ages 15 to 17
President—Michele Kaye
Vice President—Jonathan Freedman
Secretary—Sylvia Schneider
Treasurer—William Popkin
Leader—Mr. Sanford H. Hahn
Meets on Sunday afternoon.

Halutzim—ages 13 to 15.
President—Roger Waldman
Vice President—Lee Reichman
Secretary—Mimi Segal and Star Kilstein
Treasurer—Theodore Zucker
Leader—Mr. Arnold Turetsky
Meets on Saturday night

Boy Scouts—ages 11 to 13
Leader—Mr. Sam Peyer
Meets on Thursday evening.

Rabbi Noveck Meets With Class of 1952-53

On Sunday, September 14th, the students of the Graduation-Confirmation Class met at the home of Rabbi Noveck to discuss their educational and social plans for 1952-53.

This year, at Shavuot, the Synagogue will honor both the confirmants and the graduates from the Religious School in a combined Graduation-Confirmation ceremony. The members of the confirmation class, who will also complete the five year course of study in the Hebrew Department, will receive graduation diplomas and confirmation certificates.

The students eligible for graduation or confirmation are: Alan Aaron, Jill Appleman, Susan Berns, Paul Bienstock, Sandra Cohen, Edward Curtiss, Eleanor Foa, Martin Gold, Anthony Greenwald, Stephen Heyman, Alice Heyman, Alice Helpern, David Hoexter, Robert Kaufman, Nan Krulewitch, Gary Manacher, Stanley Nemeroff, David Penner, Lee Reichman, Susanne Sheskin, Roger Waldman, Doris Wimpfheimer, and Theodore Zucker.

Religious School Opens With Record Attendence

The faculty of the Religious School expresses its thanks and congratulations to the students of the Hebrew Department and their parents for their wholehearted cooperation in a most successful reopening of the school year. The school has been in session since, Monday, September 15th with an average attendance of over 90%.

The many holidays during the early part of the school year have made it necessary to postpone the opening of the Primary Department until Sunday, October 19th. However, these students will receive tickets for the High Holy Day services at the Jewish Museum and will be invited to attend the Succot morning services to be conducted by the Junior Congregation.

The school office will continue to accept new students daily between 2:30 and 6:00 P.M. Children between the ages of 6 and 9 may be enrolled in the Primary Department which meets on Sunday morning. Older children must be enrolled in the Hebrew Department which meets on Monday and Wednesday afternoons and Saturday morning.

Members of the congregation are reminded that three years of Hebrew school education is an essential requirement for Bar Mitzvah and Bas Mitzvah in the Park Avenue Synagogue.

Rabbi's Secretary Weds

Miss Mildred Saperstein who served as personal secretary to Rabbi Noveck and to the late Rabbi Steinberg, was married on Sunday, September 7th to Mr. Herbert H. Cohen of Troy, New York. Mrs. Cohen who has been with the Synagogue for seven years will now make her home in Troy. Mrs. Helen Pincus has been chosen to replace her as personal secretary to the rabbi.

Mrs. Pincus, a graduate of Barnard and the New York University School of Retailing, formerly was personal secretary to Rabbi Abba Abrams at Schiff Center in the Bronx. More recently she was in charge of programming at the Bronx YWHA.

New admissions to the Primary Department and the Hebrew Department of the Religious School are now being accepted in the school office. Parents are urged to visit or call the office any afternoon after 2:30 P.M. to register their children.

Michele Gorin Named for Teaching Appointment

The School Board announces the appointment of Miss Michele Gorin as a full-time teacher in the Hebrew Department of the Religious School for the year 1952-53. Miss Gorin will replace Mrs. Belle Miller, who is on maternity leave from the school.

Miss Gorin's experience and background make her a worthy addition to the faculty. She was born in Tel-Aviv, Israel and completed her elementary, secondary and normal school education in that city. After her graduation from normal school, Miss Gorin taught for two years in the Tel-Aviv elementary school system. In the United States she has taught Hebrew at the Flatbush Yeshiva and the Emanuel Brotherhood.

Miss Gorin has been granted the degree of Bachelor of Arts from Teachers' College, Columbia, and is, at present completing her studies at Columbia University towards a master's degree in vocational guidance.

Junior Congregation Services

High Holy Day services for the young people of the synagogue will be held, as in previous years, at the Jewish Museum, a division of the Jewish Theological Seminary, on 92nd St. and 5th Ave. The facilities of the museum have been made available to us through the kindness of Dr. Stephen S. Kayser, curator of the museum.

The services, to be held on September 20th and 21st at 11:30 A.M. and on September 29th at 11:30 A.M., will be conducted by Mr. Baruch Levine assisted by students from the Religious School.

Tickets for the services will be mailed to all students enrolled in the Primary Department. Hebrew Department students will receive tickets for the services in their classrooms.

Parents' President Extends Greetings

On behalf of the Parents' Association I would like to take this opportunity to welcome the parents of new students in the Religious School to our organization. The Parents' Association acts as a liaison between the school and the home. It sponsors an active program for both children and parents throughout the year.

The group will hold its first meeting in October. At this time the program for the season will be inaugurated. Plans for this year include a Book Fair, dramatizations of the important religious holidays to make them more meaningful for the children, and an active Workshop in which parents, under the direction of Mrs. Simon, are acquainted with the techniques used in observing the holidays with their children. The Parents' Association will also sponsor a Friday evening service sometime in January, as was done last year. Other meetings will feature dynamic speakers of current interest to the group.

We are looking forward to the completion of the new Memorial Building and better space for work and play for our children. We urge all parents to continue to support this project, for full cooperation is needed from all members to make this endeavor a success.

MRS. HERMAN HELPERN

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Abraham Geller Named as Candidate

On behalf of the entire congregation, the Board of Trustees extends to Abraham N. Geller its heartiest congratulations. Mr. Geller has been named by the Democratic party as its candidate for the Court of General Sessions.

Mr. Geller, a distinguished and active member of the Park Avenue Synagogue, is a member of the Board of Trustees and also of the Men's Club.

A successful lawyer, and a leader in non-sectarian as well as Jewish charitable and civic undertakings, he came out of the slum areas of the lower East Side and the East Harlem district. Watchful parents and devoted settlement house workers helped him avoid the pitfalls of such neighborhoods. The Court of General Sessions deals with major crimes of violence, many of which originate in poverty such as Mr. Geller experienced in boyhood.

ABRAHAM N. GELLER

Mr. Geller is married and has three children, two girls and a boy. His wife, Dorothy, also has been active in synagogue affairs. A Citizens Committee for Election of Abraham N. Geller has been formed with headquarters at Room 401, 444 Madison Avenue.

Members are asked to bring their cards of admission to all High Holiday services. They are requested not to leave their seats while the Rabbi is delivering the sermon or while the Cantor or Choir are singing. Everyone is asked to remain in his seat until after the benediction and not to remove his Tallith until that time.

President's Message

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which are worthwhile. Since the dawn of history we as Jews have been fighting for our existence and we must continue doing so until every Jew is assured of peace and spiritual security. Then our Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur prayers will be answered "that we be inscribed in the Book of Life for good health and happiness." L'shanah tovah tikatevu.

JACOB KLEIN

New Members Added To BULLETIN Staff

It is with great pleasure that we announce the addition of several members of the Park Avenue Synagogue to the Staff of BULLETIN.

Mr. Louis Heller, representing the Men's Club; Mrs. Robert Gilbert, representing the Sisterhood; and Mrs. Dudley Greenstein of the Young Marrieds are new BULLETIN contributors.

Yizkor Elohim

DONALD BLAU
son of Dr. and Mrs. Abram Blau

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daughter of Dr. and Mrs. James Smith

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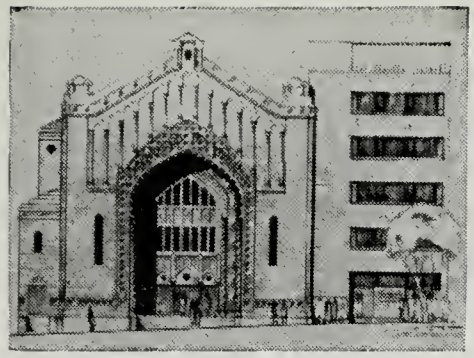

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Congregants Receive Simhath Torah Honors

Mrs. Samuel Wimpfheimer, Mr. Benjamin Abrams and Mr. Sanford H. Cohen will be honored by the Congregation for outstanding service in Synagogue, Jewish and communal affairs at the *Simhath Torah* service on Sunday morning, October 12th.

Following the Hakafot, the processional with the Torah Scrolls, Mr. Sanford H. Cohen will be called to "stand forth" as *Hathan Torah* (Bridegroom of the Torah).

Then Mr. Benjamin Abrams will be called to the pupit as *Hathan Bereshith* (Bridegroom of the Beginning), as the Torah is rerolled and the first verses of Genesis are read. Mrs. Samuel Wimpfheimer will be honored as *Kalah Mafteret* (Bride of Propretic Message) for *Simhath Torah* 5713.

The practice of honoring members of a congregation by designating them *Hathan Torah* and *Hathan Bereshith* originated from medieval Judaism and from a mystical thread within it.

On *Simhath Torah*, the last day of the *Succoth* festival, the Torah cycle of the year is completed and then is begun again. The last section and the first one are traditionally regarded as portions of importance and it is a practice to assign those portions to those individuals, who by their scholarship, peity or ser-

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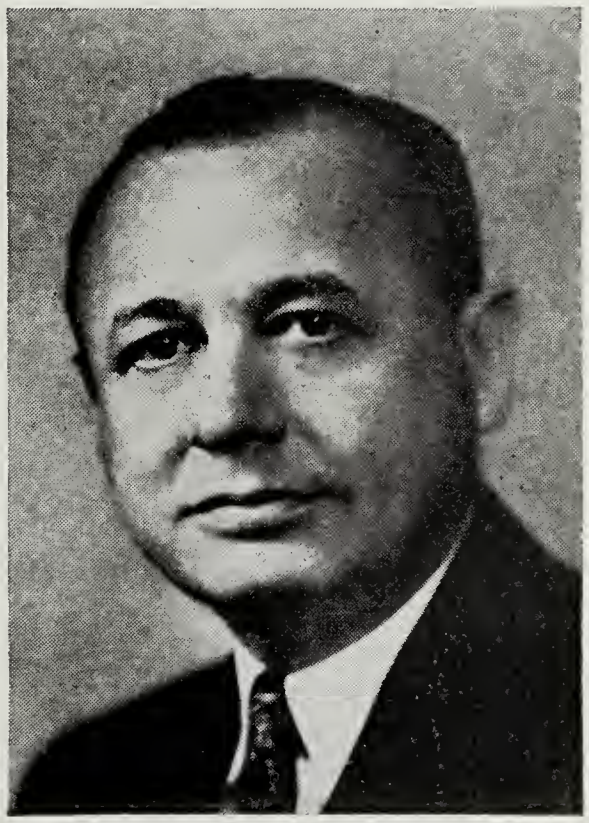
MRS. SAMUEL WIMPFHEIMER



BENJAMIN ABRAMS

SANFORD H. COHEN

Consecration Services Welcome New Pupils

The annual Consecration Service for the new students in the Hebrew Department of the Religious School will be held at the Simhath Torah service on Saturday evening, October 11th.

The new students will be presented to the Rabbi for consecration by the principal of the school and by the chairman of the school board. Rabbi Noveck will bless the students and present each of

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Shemini Atzeret Evening, Friday, October 10th ..... 6:00 P.M.

Shemini Atzeret Yizkor Services, Saturday, October 11th .. 9:30 A.M.

Rabbi Noveck will Preach:

"Aliya—Symbol and Program"

Simhath Torah Consecration Service

Saturday, October 11th ..... 5:30 P.M.

Simhath Torah, Sunday, October 12th ..... 9:30 A.M.

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Senior League Hears Two Youth Delegates

On October 5th the Senior League held its first Sunday Social, for members only, in the Vestry of the Synagogue. On Thursday evening, October 9th the first Open Meeting of the season was held. Messrs. George Carter and Murray Frank, United States Delegates to the recent World Youth Assembly at Dakar, discussed "Youth's Role in World Progress" and the impact and significance of their African Journey. A social hour and refreshments followed the program.

On Sunday, October 16th at 3:00 P.M., an Autumn Dance, with music by Jeno Bartel and his orchestra, will be held in the Vestry of the Synagogue.

The Senior League is planning to form a Dramatic group and hope that members of the other Synagogue groups will join with them. Those interested in the group are requested to contact the Synagogue, and the Senior League will immediately contact them.

The League hopes that young people connected through family or directly with the Synagogue, will find their program interesting and will join the group. Please address inquiries to Mitchell Waife, Chairman of the Membership Committee, in care of the Synagogue.

Mazel Tov

TO Mr. and Mrs. Warren Ringler on the Birth of their daughter, Meredith Esme and to her Grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. George Ringler.
TO Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Mark on the Birth of their grandson, David.

Men's Club to Sponsor Theatre Party

In order to redeem its pledge of $5,000 to the Milton Steinberg Memorial Fund, the Men's Club is running a theatre party on Wednesday evening, December 17th, 1952. The Club was fortunate in procuring a smash hit in "The Deep Blue Sea", starring Miss Margaret Sullavan; a new play by Terence Rattigan. This play opened in London last summer and received rave notices. It is an absorbing story of a warm hearted woman cheated of romantic love—a play of humor, wit, pathos and sophisticated intelligence.

Any non-members of the Men's Club who desire tickets are requested to telephone Mr. Archie I. Thurman, Chairman of the theatre party, at CAnal 6-5638. Choice seats are still available.

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vice to the Jewish community, have merited public tribute. The custom of honoring a *Kalah Mafteret*, which was inaugurated four years ago, is a tribute to an outstanding woman member of the Congregation, for conspicuous service rendered the Jewish community.

Mrs. Samuel Wimpfheimer

The lady to be honored this year as *Kalah Mafteret*, is Helen Wimpfheimer, the President of the Sisterhood for the past two years. Prior to assuming the Presidency of Sisterhood she served as Recording Secretary and Chairman of the Program Committee of that group. As Sisterhood President she sat on the Board of Trustees of the Synagogue.

In the congregation she has also served as Chairman of the Arrangements Committee for the Seminary Brunch, and Chairman of the Committee for the Congregational Dinner. At present, she is president of the United Order True Sisters Bothia Lodge.

To all she has bestowed her warm and sympathetic personality, and merits, to the full, being named *Kalah Mafteret* for the year 5713.

Benjamin Abrams

To be honored as *Hathan Bereshith* will be Mr. Benjamin Abrams, a distinguished civic leader and philanthropist. Mr. Abrams is Chairman of the greater New York Committee of Israel Bonds. He has also served as Administrative Officer of the New York Federation of Jewish Philanthropies, Treasurer of the Joint Distribution Committee and Vice-Chairman of the United Jewish Appeal. President of the Emerson Radio Corporation, Mr. Abrams is a member of the Board of Directors of the Better Business Bureau.

In addition to his business and philanthropic interests, he has served his country as a member of the Advisory Committee of the Munitions Board in Washington, and as a member of the United States Commission for the United Nations Genocide Convention.

As an outstanding member of the congregation and the community, it is fitting that he be named *Hathan Bereshith* for the year.

Sanford H. Cohen

The honor of *Hathan Torah* will be bestowed on Mr. Sanford H. Cohen, Vice-President of the congregation and a member of the Board of Trustees for many years. Associate Chairman of the Manhattan Division of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies and Chairman of the Synagogue's Committee for Federation and Associate Chairman of the Synagogue's United Jewish Appeal Drive, Mr. Cohen is a member of the Law Committee, the Membership Com-

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Parents' Group Plan Orientation Meeting

At the opening meeting of the Executive Board of the Parents' Association, plans were discussed for a very active season.

The first event scheduled is an orientation meeting to be held on the evening of November 5th in the Vestry. On this occasion, parents will have an opportunity to meet the teachers of the Religious School. Further details will be announced in the next BULLETIN.

The Parents' Association is proud to announce that, this year, it will conduct a Seminar, not only for its members but for all who are interested in attending lectures to be given by Rabbi Noveck and Cantor Putterman. It is hoped that these discussions will fill the spiritual needs of parents and will help enrich Jewish life on a mature level.

$200,000 Raised for Memorial Kol Nidre Eve

SCHOOL NEWS

The first session of the Primary Department of the Religious School will be held on Sunday morning, October 19th at 9:45 A.M.

Despite the necessary postponement of the opening of the first session, the students of the Primary Department have had the pleasure of joining the students of the Hebrew Department in High Holy Day services at The Jewish Museum and at Succoth services in the Vestry.

Registration in the Primary Department for children between the ages of 6 and 9 is still open. Parents are urged to call the School Office any day between 2:30 and 6:30 P.M.

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Special Succoth services will be held for the students of the Religious School at 10 A.M. on each of the festival mornings in the vestry of the Synagogue.

The services, to be conducted by Mr. Sanford Hahn, will include the ceremonial of the lulav and the esrog as well as refreshments in the Succah.

Students of the Primary Department and the Hebrew Department of the Religious School are urged to attend.

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them with a Torah scroll and a certificate to commemorate the event.

The following students are newly-enrolled in the Hebrew Department: David Alberts, Robert Berglass, Mary Brandmarker, Lawrence Eisenberg, Stephen Feig, Inez Fields, Michael Fleischer, Jimmy Fogelson, Kurt Frank, Nicholas Freud, Jay Goldblatt, Thomas Gluckman, Linda Grauer, Babette Hoexter, Stephen Jacoby, Jeffrey Joseph, Charles Kaiser, Richard Kram, Peter Meltzer, Donald Mutterperl, Richard Nalin, Alic Rubel, Murray Sadoff, Barbara Schacht, Joel Siegel, Falene Simet, Steven Smith, Robert Spiegel, Herbert Stern, Susan Swick, Eric Weinberg and Randall Weingarten.

At the Kol Nidre Service I. M. Cohen, Co-chairman of the Memorial Drive, gave in detail the financial status of the Drive. He also described to all present, in detail, the type of edifice the committee expected to erect and invited the congregants to inspect the plans at their leisure.

Mr. Cohen explained that due to unforeseen difficulties, a fund of $750,000 was necessary and that new standards would have to be set in order to achieve the approximate $400,000 deficit.

Mr. Cohen explained that the type of building and the fulfillment of the plans as originally set forth would depend upon the response of the Synagogue to the drive.

Rabbi Noveck had delivered a most stirring sermon of the Jew's obligation to his Synagogue, and one of the highlights of the Rabbi's sermon was a statement to the effect that the Jew in the Synagogue has an obligation first to see that a Talmud Torah is built even before the Synagogue is built.

The results of this special appeal for large donations were as follows:

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Appleman contributed $25000 and will name the Auditorium.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph H., and Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Cohen contributed $25,000 and will name the Library.

Mr. and Mrs. William Heller contributed $25,000 and will name the biblical, pictorial glass facade of the Memorial Building.

Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Cohen contributed $10,000 to the First Torah.

Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Gevirtz contributed $10,000 and will name a classroom.

The Morris, Jules and Abe Haft Families contributed $10,000 and will name a classroom.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Lemberg contributed $10,000 and will name a classroom.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Ostriker contributed $10,000 and will name a classroom.

Dr. and Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer contributed $10,000 and will name a classroom.

Mr. and Mrs. George Armour contributed $5,000 and will name a Pillar.

The Blauner Family contributed $5,000 and will name a Pillar.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Block contributed $5,000 and will name a Pillar.

Mr. and Mrs. Sanford Cohen contributed $5,000 and will name a Pillar.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Greenspan contributed $5,000 and will name a Pillar.

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Gross contributed $5,000 and will name a Pillar.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Grossman contributed $5,000 and will name a Pillar.
Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Gottesman contributed $5,000 and will name a Pillar.

Mr. and Mrs. Saul Horowitz contributed $5,000 and will name a Pillar.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Mandelbaum contributed $5,000 and will name a Pillar.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Rentner contributed $5,000 and will name a Pillar.

Mr. and Mrs. Saul Ritter contributed $5,000 and will name a Pillar.

Mr. and Mrs. Tubie Resnik contributed $2,500 and will name an individual placque.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Pieper contributed $2,000 and will donate the Ten Commandments.

One of the warming notes is that the Sisterhood who has pledged $25,000 and already paid it ahead of schedule, are in the process of considering an additional pledge of $25,000.

The Men's Club announced that they have increased their $5,000 pledge to $15,000 and it would not be surprising if they increase this pledge to $25,000.

The Drive is now on in full force and the entire membership will be contacted.

Men's Club to Hear Garrison-Warburg Debate; FDR Jr. Will Address Sisterhood

On Tuesday, October 21st at 1:00 P.M., Sisterhood will hold its first Desert Luncheon and Open Meeting of the season. Congressman Franklin D. Roosevelt Jr. will address the group on "The Coming Elections."

The Congressman is an interesting and charming speaker and well qualified by experience and background to talk on the subject selected for him. Be sure to mark this date on your calendar and arrange to attend the meeting with your friends. A most enjoyable and stimulating afternoon has been planned.

Sisterhood's Annual Donor Luncheon and Fashion Show will be held on Tuesday, December 9th in the Grand Ballroom of the Astor Hotel. In conjunction with the Luncheon, this year, a Journal will be published. Luncheon books and ad blanks will be available at the meeting.

Late Friday Evening Services will commence on Friday, October 24th at 8:30 P.M. A prominent speaker will address the congregation at this time. Until then Friday evening services will be held at 6:00 P.M.

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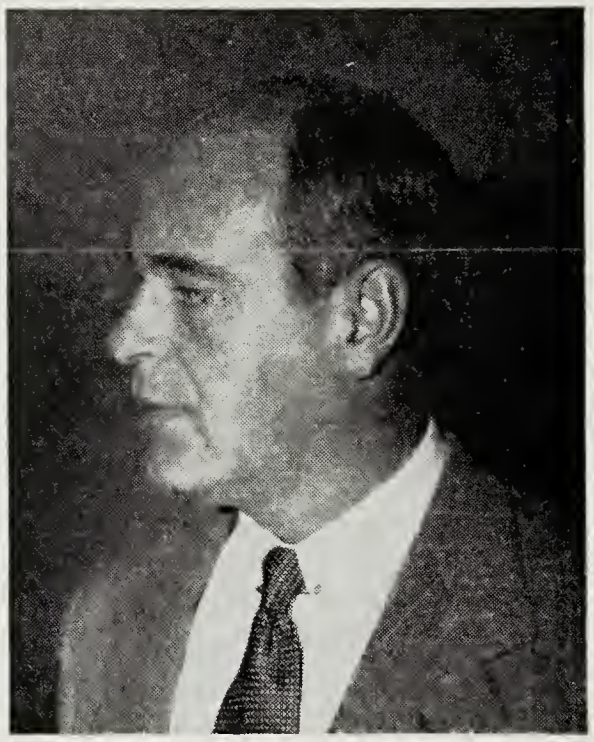
Mr. Paul Felix Warburg and Mr. Lloyd K. Garrison will be guest debaters at the Men's Club opening meeting to be held Tuesday evening, October 21st at 8:30 P.M. in the Vestry of the Synagogue.

The opening meeting of the season will feature a debate on "Adlai or Ike?" The Club is fortunate in being able to present two distinguished speakers and their respective points of view. Mr. Paul Felix Warburg, banker and philanthropist, is the Chairman of the New York State Citizens Committee for Eisenhower. Mr. Lloyd K. Garrison is a distinguished lawyer and liberal leader and the Eastern Seaboard adviser to Governor Stevenson.

All men, whether members of the Men's Club or not, are cordially invited to attend this meeting.



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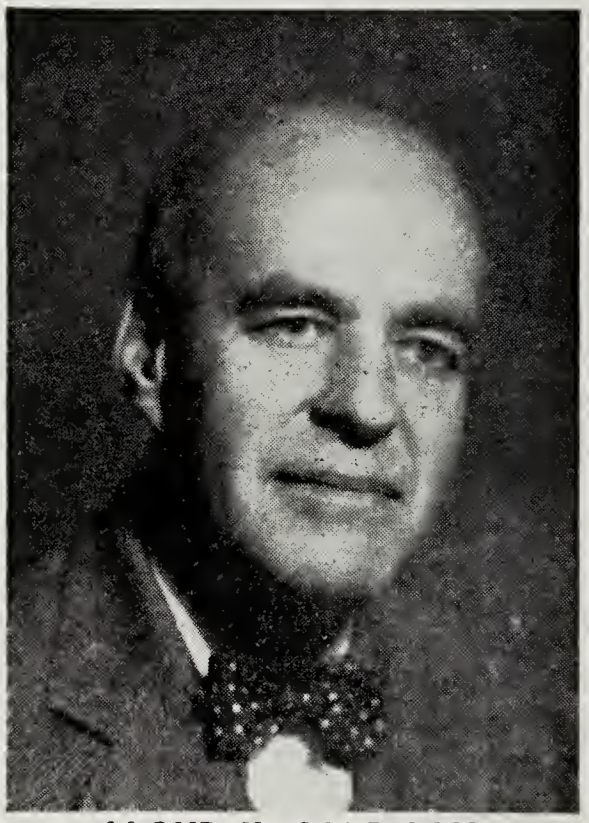

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Eliezer Whartman to be Young Marrieds' Speaker

The Young Marrieds will hold their second meeting on Tuesday evening, October 14th, at 8:30 P.M. in the Vestry. Mr. Eliezer Whartman of the Israel Office of Information will be the guest Speaker. He has chosen as his topic, "Is There a Future for American Jews?" Mr. Whartman has an unconventional viewpoint on the subject and his discussion promises to be most provocative.

The group held their first meeting of the season on Tuesday, September 16th. At that time plans for the coming year were formulated.

On Sunday, November 16th, a Cocktail Party for members and friends is to be held at the Raleigh Room of the Hotel Warwick. This function promises to be one of the highlights of season and all members are cordially invited to attend. Tickets and all pertinent information will be mailed to members. Any others wishing to purchase tickets should contact the President, Mr. Sidney Silberman, 435 East 14th Street, New York City; or the Chairman Mrs. Norman Cohen.

Simhath Torah

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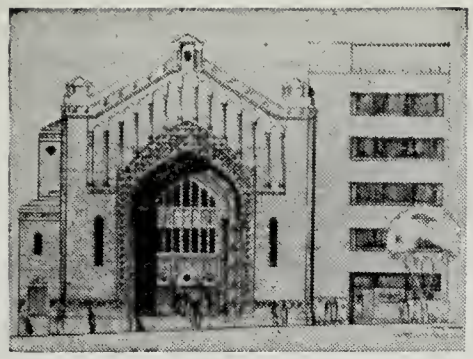
mittee and the Milton Steinberg Memorial Building Committee.

He served his country and community as Assistant United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York, as a member of a local board of the Selective Service System during World War II, and as a member of the Board of Directors of the 92nd Street YM and YWHA.

To pay tribute to these three recipients of *Simhath Torah* honors, all members of the Park Avenue Synagogue are invited to attend the services and reception which will immediately follow in the Vestry of the Synagogue.



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Adult Education Classes Commence in November

The Adult Education program will officially open on Monday evening, November 10th. The major lecture series will follow the theme "The American Jewish Community". These lectures given by Rabbi Noveck will include a sociological analysis of the structure and foundation of the American Jewish Community, a consideration of the challenges confronting the American Jew and the forces of the American environment favorable to Jewish survival in America.

In addition, the series of 8 o'clock courses will include: 3 Hebrew Courses (Beginning, Intermediate, and Advanced), Yiddish, Cantor Putterman's Choral Music Course and a Seminar with Professor Albert Salomon which will begin in January.

Senior League Meets For Celebration of Jewish Book Month

The next open meeting of the Senior League will mark Jewish Book Month. It will be held Thursday evening, November 6th in the vestry. The Co-Chairmen for the meeting will be Thelma Shafer and Bob Kieval.

At the first meeting of the League, on October 9th the two speakers, George Carter and Murray Frank, recently United States delegates to the World Youth Assembly at Dakar, discussed the impressions of their trip and the political and economic problems of colonial Africa. They drew particular attention to the need for studying and understanding these problems in the perspective of the world power balance and stressed the effect of the handling of minority problems in the United States on the quite sophisticated African population.

The League this year is particularly interested in having young Synagogue

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Maurice Samuel Will Address Congregation Friday, Nov. 10

Maurice Samuel, well known lecturer and author, will be the guest speaker at the late Friday evening Service on October 24th at 8:30 P.M. Mr. Samuel will discuss "World-Jewry in Transition". He will present an analysis of the changed problems of world-Jewry, and of the new dispositions needed to confront them. This will be the first in the series of late Friday services which will continue through the winter and spring seasons.

MAURICE SAMUEL

Mr. Samuel's published works include: *Prince of the Ghetto, You Gentiles, The Great Hatred, The World of Sholom Aleichem* and others. Widely known as the translator of great Jewish writers, he has brought to American readers translations from Chaim Bialik, Sholom Asch, Shmarya Levin and other Jewish authors.

Observing and studying Jewish life through extensive traveling in England, the Continent and Africa, Mr. Samuel lived for many years in Palestine and has made frequent trips to that country. The material of his lectures on Jewish life is drawn from personal knowledge and participation in that life.

All members and friends are cordially invited to attend. An Oneg Shabbat will follow in the Vestry.

Members Donate for Succah

Those members who participated in the Succoth Services saw the beautiful decorations in the Synagogue and the display of fruits and vegetables which adorned the Succah. The ladies of the Synagogue, under the direction of Mrs. Milton Heller, spent many hours bedecking the Succah. Thanks must be given to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dubin who generously donated the abundant harvest.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Greenstein have presented the Synagogue with a silver knife engraved in Hebrew with "For Sabbath and Holidays". The knife will be employed for cutting Kiddush Challoth and was used at Succoth for the first time.

Stanley Nemeroff Celebrates Bar Mitzvah on October 25th

Stanley Nemeroff, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Irving Nemeroff, will celebrate his Bar Mitzvah on Saturday morning, October 25th. The portion he will read will be from Noah.

Stanley has attended the Religious School of the Synagogue for four years and has studied Hebrew during that time. A student in the 8th grade at P.S. 30, he expects to graduate their Junior High School in 1954. He plans to attend the Bronx Science High School.

An ardent sportsman, Stanley is active in baseball, football and fishing. His hobby is wood modeling.

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Board Chairman Urges Prompt Applications For New Membership

During the past summer I assisted our hard working Membership Committee in interviewing applicants for membership, most of whom worshipped with us during the recent holidays. I became aware of a unique situation.

Most of the applicants stated they had been desirous of joining our congregation for years. In view of the inevitable number of vacancies that occur annually, due to removals to distant places, and deaths, each was asked what caused the delay in applying; and each answered "We were simply waiting to get around to it".

Despite this, it is disheartening to learn from members that friends occasionally report no response from the office to requests for membership. To these through their friends in the Synagogue I address this message: Please file your applications by letter with the Executive Secretary who will promptly mail you a formal blank. If you do it early you will be given priority according to time of receipt.

To all the members of the Synagogue: please express your wishes now with respect to changes desired in seating; from the Vestry to any part of the Balcony or Auditorium. As vacancies occur these changes receive first attention, and members are notified to discuss the possible change with the Membership Committee. Your Board of Trustees has directed that a democratic procedure be faithfully followed. To the best of my knowledge and belief such is the practice.

Your co-operation is earnestly solicited.

BENJAMIN SACK
Chairman—Board of Trustees

Synagogue Gains 67 New Members

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome into the Synagogue 67 new members and their families. The following have joined the Synagogue within the past year. The total congregation of the Park Avenue Synagogue now exceeds 720.

The new members include:

David Altschul, Lawrence Bangser (reinstated), Robert Barzilay, Dr. Albert Betcher, Harold Block, Moses H. Bressler, Max Brandstater, Lester Burger, Jr., Sol Ditchik, Harry Feder, Arthur Fertig, Sol Fineman, N. B. Gerber, Rita Gershman, L. Chester Glaser (reinstated), Lawrence Gluckin, Bernard Goldberger, Mrs. Joseph Goldmuntz, David Gottlieb, Lillian Granetts, Fred P. Greenberg, Irving Greenberg, Dudley Greenstein (reinstated), Maxwell Gross, William Halpern, H. Lawrence Herring, Nathan Herzfeld, Louis Heyman, Philip Hochstein, Dr. L. A. Janoff, Edward Joseph, Rachel Kaplan, Dr. J. A. Kapland, Louis Karasik (reinstated), Dr. Seymour Katz, Fred H. Krones, J. S. Lindemann, Maurice Levin (brother), Dr. Max Loeb, Isabelle Magin, Irving Miller (reinstated) and Charles Narins (reinstated).

Morton Pechter, Dr. Joseph Pincus, Julius Rosenbaum, A. Harris Rosenblum, Neil Ranells, Armand Rosenberg, Bernard Rosenthal, Bennett Rothenberg, William Rand, Donald Schlesinger, Milton Schwartz, Hyman Seidman, Saul Shullman, Melvin Starr, Dr. Schoenberg, Mr. Schwalberg, Dr. Samuel J. Stern, Milton Stolitzky, Martin Usdan, Nathan Wager, Dr. H. Unger, Sidney Werther (reinstated), Mrs. Minnie Weinberger, Dr. A. Robert Widlitz and Dr. Jesse Zizmor.

Mazel Tov

TO Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Miller on the Birth of their son, Asher H., September 24th.

TO Cantor and Mrs. David J. Putterman on their 25th Wedding Anniversary, November 1st.

Jewish Museum Holds Arthur Szyk Exhibition

Nearly 125 works by the world-renowned illustrator and cartoonist, Arthur Szyk, will be exhibited at The Jewish Museum, 92nd Street and 5th Avenue, from October 14th until December 1st.

Among the many pieces to be shown will be works based on Bible characters, political cartoons and book illustrations, many of which are well-known to the American public. In addition to his illustrations for The Book of Ruth, The Book of Job and the Haggadah, The Jewish Museum will display items from his famous Master Race and War Satires series. Illustrations for American historical events, Andersen's Fairy Tales and the Canterbury Tales will be on view, along with artwork for the Israeli Declaration of Independence.

Arthur Szyk first gained fame in the United States in 1932, when the Polish Government sent him here to exhibit 38 paintings on George Washington's life and times at the Library of Congress. The artist came to live and to work in America in 1940 and remained in this country until his death in 1951.

Two of Arthur Szyk's hallmarks, in the opinion of his public, are his magnificent colorations and his painstaking craftsmanship. To enable visitors to see his amazingly detailed illuminations, some of which are invisible to the naked eye, The Jewish Museum will have magnifying glasses available for the public.

A visit to the Museum and to the exhibit will be of great interest and value to every member of the family.

Organist Ailing

For the first time in twenty years Isidor Geller, the Synagogue organist, has been absent from his usual place due to illness during the past two months. His artistry has been sincerely missed and it is hoped that he may have a REFUAH SHELEMAH, a speedy and complete recovery.

YOUTH NEWS

By DAVID ALAN RUTTENBERG

On October 19th the Judah HaLevi Society held its initial orientation meeting of the 1952-53 season. The Executive Committee, under the very capable guidance of its president, Michelle Kaye, has outlined the following tentative program for the first half of the year:

Sunday, October 26th at 2:30 P.M.
Opening of Lecture Series

Saturday, November 1st at 8:30 P.M.
Election Rally Dance

Sunday, November 9th at 2:30 P.M.
Symposium and Film on Academic Freedom

Sunday, November 16th at 2:30 P.M.
Thanksgiving Luncheon

Sunday, November 23rd at 2:30 P.M.
Lecture Series

This year we are making every effort to swell our membership. Teen-agers from various synagogues will be invited to join our group and take part in the activities.

The Executive Committee is planning these events to insure a wonderful time for all of you, but it realizes that these occasions will be successful only with your co-operation and whole-hearted support and encouragement.

All young people between the ages of fifteen and eighteen are invited to attend the meeting on Sunday Afternoon, October 26th. We know you will enjoy being with us.

Bulletin Committee Formed, Announces Board Chairman

Benjamin Sack, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, has announced the appointment of a BULLETIN Committee to serve as guides to the editorial staff of the BULLETIN in reflecting the policies of the Synagogue as determined by the Board of Trustees.

The committee with its Chairman, Harold Levin will include: Dudley Greenstein, Edward Kaye, Nelson Ruttenberg, Archie Thurman and Samuel Wimpfheimer.

Parents Group Plan Welcome Luncheon

The Parents Association has planned its fall program. A luncheon in honor of the mothers of children who are entering the Religious School for the first time will be held on November 3rd at one o'clock in the Vestry. The Executive Board is looking forward to greeting all the newcomers.

Another date of interest to parents is November 23rd. On that day, the annual Book Fair will open and will continue through the evening of November 25th. Parents will be able to purchase books on Jewish life and thought as well as record albums of Jewish music. Plans are now being made to arrange an excellent exhibit of books and gifts, and an interesting program for children and adults.

The first open meeting of the Parents Association will take place on November 25th. Teachers of the Religious School will be present in order to give parents and teachers an opportunity to meet. This will be a social evening which all parents should enjoy.

This season, a Seminar for mothers and grandmothers will be held under the auspices of the Parents Association. Rabbi Simon Noveck and Cantor David Putterman have volunteered to conduct lecture and discussion sessions on a mature, stimulating level. The next BULLETIN will carry full details of these classes.

Senior League

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affiliates join in its cultural, educational and philanthropic activities. The group invites their inquiries and participation in a program which will include topics centering on Judaic themes.

On Friday evening, November 14th following services, the League is sponsoring an Oneg Shabbat to which the youth groups of B'nai Jeshurun and the Society for the Advancement of Judaism have been invited. A discussion and singing of Hebrew songs are planned. The program will be chaired by Bernard Weinflash.

SCHOOL NEWS

The Board of Education of the Metropolitan Council of the United Synagogue of America has announced its awards for outstanding students of the Religious School during the year 1951-52.

Annual Achievement Awards for combined excellence in scholarship, attendance and punctuality, school service and general attitude were presented to the following students:

Class I—
Susan Drukatz, Michael Freedman, Leona Giat, Richard Pesikoff, Jonathan Siegel, Joseph Weintraub and Elliot Zucker.

Class II—
Alan Mehlman, Ellen Wimpfheimer and Ruth Wyler.

Class III—
Cecily Falkenstein, Jonathan Kogan and Marilyn Schneider.

Class IV—
Paul Bienstock and Edward Curtiss.

School Attendance Awards for excellent attendance during the school year were presented to Steven Kohn, Stephen Stowe, Hugh Strauss and Robert Ungar.

Junior Congregation Awards for outstanding work and service were granted to Paul Bienstock, Peter Bienstock, Edward Curtiss, Cecily Falkenstein, Marilyn Schneider, Roger Waldman and Theodore Zucker.

Israel Stamp Club

An "Israeli Stamp of the Season" club has been organized among the students of the Religious School. At the first meeting, the members of the club had an opportunity to purchase the newly-issued Festival Stamps for the New Year 5713 whose theme is from verses out of King Solomon's Song of Songs.

Mrs. Stanley Simon, chairman of the Holiday Observance Committee of the Parents' Association, which is sponsoring the group, reports that the collection of these beautifully designed stamps and First Day Covers will help the young collectors become more familiar with Jewish customs, history and art associated with the holidays.

Young people, who wish to join the group, may apply at the Religious School office.

Dr. Leonard Shih-Lien Hsu, Far Eastern Authority To Be Men's Club Speaker at November Meeting

Dr. Leonard Shih-Lien Hsu, a speaker of ability and experience in Far Eastern affairs, will address the Men's Club on Tuesday evening, November 18th. His topic will be: "Is There a New Stalin Bid for the Far Eastern World?" He will discuss the new Soviet Communist Party Congress held recently in Moscow.

Dr. Hsu is a graduate of Stanford University, University of Iowa and University of Chicago. He was also a Rockefeller Foundation Fellow for Field Study in U.S.S.R., England and Europe. He served as Professor of Sociology at Yenching University, as well as Councilor of Ministry of Foreign Affairs to the Chinese National Government. He is the author of "Sun-Yat-Sen, his Social and Political Ideas", "Political Philosophy of Confusionism", "Experiments in Rural Reconstruction in China", and "Principles of Population".

Dr. Hsu will attempt to outline, in his discussion, his opinion on what the future holds in store for the Philippines, New Zealand, Japan, Korea and the Chinese mainland.

All men are invited to attend the meeting and all members of the Club are requested to bring friends. Special Men's Club refreshments will be served.

Dr. Abraham Newman who was scheduled to speak on Friday evening, October 24th, will speak later in the season.

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Young Marrieds Give Fall Cocktail Party

The Young Marrieds, for the second year, are sponsoring a Sunday afternoon Cocktail Party on November 16th at the Raleigh Room of the Hotel Warwick.

A contribution of $8.00 per couple will include liquor, hot and cold hors d'oeuvres, music, dancing and congenial companions.

All members and friends are invited to attend the group's first social affair of the season. Checks for reservations should be sent to the Chairman, Mrs. Norman Cohen, 43 Gibson Place, Yonkers, N. Y.

Men's Club to Hold Dec. Theatre Party For "Deep Blue Sea"

In order to redeem its pledge of $5,000 to the Milton Steinberg Memorial Fund, the Men's Club is running a theatre party on Wednesday evening, December 17th. The Club was fortunate in procuring a smash hit in "The Deep Blue Sea", starring Miss Margaret Sullavan; a new play by Terence Rattigan. This play opened in London last summer and received rave notices. It is an absorbing story of a warm hearted woman cheated of romantic love—a play of humor, wit, pathos and sophisticated intelligence.

Any non-members of the Men's Club who desire tickets are requested to telephone Archie I. Thurman, Chairman of the theatre party, at CAnal 6-5638. Choice seats are still available.

Additional contributions are coming in for Mitzvahs. The names of the donors will be mentioned in the next issue of BULLETIN.

Sisterhood Will Publish Ad Journal For Annual December Donor Lunch

This year, the Sistedhood is sponsoring a Journal in conjunction with their annual Donor Luncheon for the purpose of increasing their donation to the Milton Steinberg Memorial Building Fund. To insure the success of this Journal, ad subscriptions must be secured. The deadline for all ads is November 9th and all members are urged to contribute to this effort. Subscriptions should be sent to Mrs. Saul Grannets, 45 East End Avenue, N. Y.

The Donor Luncheon will be held at the Hotel Astor on Tuesday, December 9th. Members who have not already received their book of chances are requested to contact the Chairman, Mrs. Mack Fieber at SAcremento 2-1834.

Mrs. Theodore Miestrich, the Program Chairman, has secured models from well known American fashion designers, and professional models will show them at the luncheon. Miss Maggie McNellis will do the commentary.

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mother of Mrs. Theodore Meistrich

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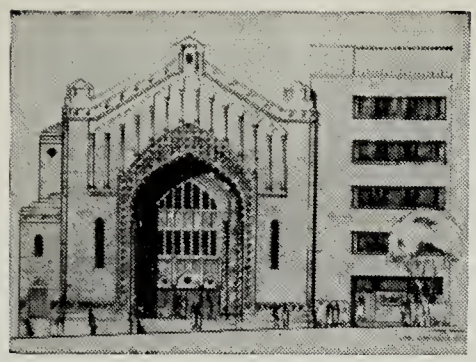
husband of Mrs. J. M. Greenfield



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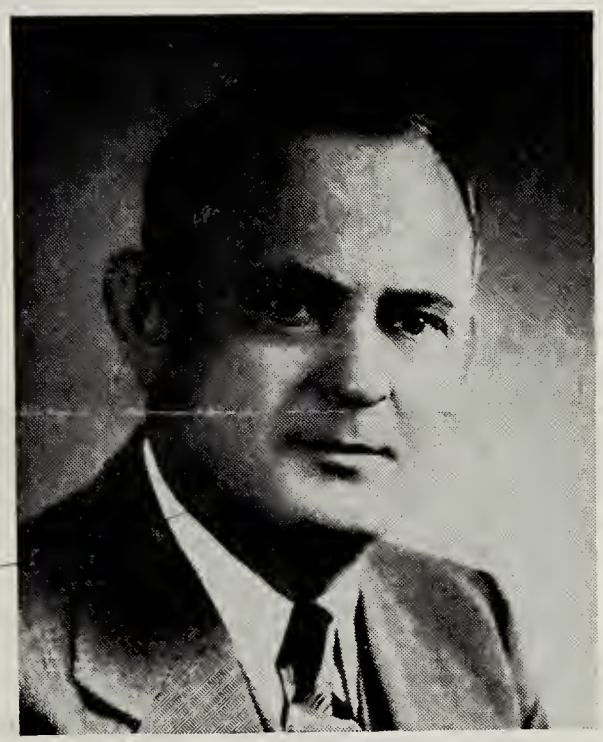

DR. AZRIEL EISENBERG

Jewish Educator to be Friday Evening Speaker

Dr. Azriel Eisenberg, executive Vice-President of the Jewish Education Committee of New York, will address the congregation on Friday evening, November 14th at 8:30 P.M. He will discuss "New Frontiers for Jewish Education".

Dr. Eisenberg, who was formely Director of the Philadelphia Council on Jewish Education and Dean of Gratz College from 1946 to 1949, is a graduate of the Teacher's Institute of the Jewish Theological Seminary.

An author as well as educator, he has just published a new book entitled *The Bar Mitzvah Treasury*. Two new books of his will appear in 1952; *Dear Parents* 101 Messages on Jewish Education and *Teaching Jewish History;* both to be published by the Jewish Education Committee.

Particularly members of the Parents Association and all members with children of college age, adolescence or in the Religious School are invited to hear this leading educator.

The Jewish Education Committee is one of the groups receiving support from the Federation. The president of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies, Mr. Milton Weill, will introduce Dr. Eisenberg.

H. A. Overstreet Will Discuss The "Mature Person", Nov. 7th

Dr. Harry Allen Overstreet, author of "The Mature Mind", will be the guest speaker at Friday evening services on November 7th at 8:30 P.M. His topic will be "On Being a Mature Person".

Dr. Overstreet is Professor Emeritus of Philosophy and former Chairman of the Department at the City Colege of New York. He served as a member of the faculties of University of Michigan and University of California. Outstanding as an author and lecturer, his most recent book is "The Great Enterprise".

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday Evening, November 7th
8:30 P.M.
Dr. Harry Allen Overstreet
"ON BEING A MATURE PERSON"

Saturday Morning, Nov. 8th
9:45 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Richard Friedberg

Friday Evening, November 14th
8:30 P.M.
Dr. Azriel Eisenberg
"NEW FRONTIERS FOR JEWISH EDUCATION"

Saturday Morning, Nov. 15th
9:45 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will Preach

H. A. OVERSTREET

Adult Education to Open Nov. 10th Program Will Continue for 18 Weeks

The schedule of courses to be sponsored by the Adult Education Committee is the most ambitious and diversified ever undertaken by that group. The entire year's program will be announced in a brochure which will reach members of the Congregation shortly; the first month's courses has just been released by Harold R. Starkman, Chairman of the Adult Education Committee.

Three Hebrew courses will once again be offered at 8 P.M. on Monday evenings, beginning on November 10th. At the same time a course in Yiddish, and another in choral music will be open to all students. Cantor Putterman will also have a special course on the cantilation of the Maftir on Monday evenings at 7:30 P.M.

A special series of 3 six-week courses will also be given at 8 P.M. on Mondays, the first of which will be on Western Religions.

Rabbi Noveck will be the lecturer for the Major Lecture Series, at 9 P.M. His theme will be "The American Jewish Community", a study of contemporary religious, political, economic, and social forces as they affect the present day Jewish communal life. He will deliver fourteen lectures in all.

The Milton Steinberg Memorial Lectures will be presented on January 19th, and 26th; February 2nd, and 9th, 1953.

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from the desk of the President

The High Holiday and Festival Services were conducted in a most dignified, beautiful and impressive manner. Rabbi Noveck's sermons touched a new high, Cantor Putterman's singing was superb, and the Choir and temporary Organist completed the inner circle in a most befitting manner.

The Officers, members of the Board and the Congregation filled the Synagogue to capacity and made a picture which, when viewed from the Pulpit, was highly inspiring. And the cordiality that prevailed all around thrilled the hearts of all who are interested in the Park Avenue Synagogue.

With the cooperation of the Rabbi, Cantor and Chairman of the Ritual Committee, additional honors were given to members on the High Holy days, who seemed pleased with the innovation.

The *Kol Nidre* Service was inspiring, including the appeal for the Steinberg Memorial Fund, so ably conducted by Mr. I. M. Cohen, in spite of his illness.

The *Simhath Torah* ceremonies were indeed memorable, and the honors conferred on Mr. Sanford Cohen, Mr. Benjamin Abrams and Mrs. Samuel Wimpfheimer were not only witnessed, but also enjoyed by a throng of their friends, well-wishers and members that tested the capacity of the Synagogue. Milton Weill's presentation of a set of resolutions to Sanford Cohen was a magnificent tribute and gave everyone a real thrill. Rabbi Noveck's presentation to Mr. Abrams and Phyllis Siegel's remarks to Helen Wimpfheimer were fine tributes and beautiful summaries of the unselfish service each has performed.

One discordant note, however, affected the holiday spirit of our Synagogue. I refer to the illnes of Mrs. Mannie Rosenthal, affectionately called "June", who is presently a patient at Mt. Sinai Hospital. Mannie and June have been loyal and devoted members of the Park Avenue Synagogue for almost a quarter of a century, and we miss June's smiling and gracious countenance around the offices and the building. Our prayers go up to Heaven for her speedy and complete recovery.

I am indeed happy to be president, but there is just a little trace of disappointment that I experience, which the officers, board and membership body can change. You, and you have it within your power to do so, and that is to attend the regular Friday evening and Saturday morning services more frequently.

If you all realized how much encouragement you lend to the Rabbi and Cantor, and how you improve the prestige of the Park Avenue Synagogue by more frequent attendance at services, and how much personal satisfaction each one of you would derive from active participation in these services, I think you would really make an effort to be present more frequently.

I am devoting considerably more time to the Synagogue in trying to develop a closer relationship among the members than I ever imagined I could possibly do. I am doing it because I feel it is for the best interests of the Park Avenue Synagogue. Won't you give me your cooperation?

I hope that the beautiful Holiday spirit that was so apparent during the High Holy day season may continue for the remainder of the year, and for all time to come.

JACOB KLEIN

Mazel Tov

TO Mr. and Mrs. Edward Munves on the Marriage of their son, and to the grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Harry Altmark.

TO Jacob Friedman Jr. on his 75th Birthday, October 15th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Julian Jacobs on their 20th Wedding Anniversary, November 11th.

Psychiatrist to Speak At Parents' Meeting

Dr. Louis Linn, well known adjunct of the Department of Psychiatry at Mt. Sinai Hospital, will address the Parents Association at its first open meeting of the fall season on Wednesday evening, November 19th at 8:30.

Dr. Linn who is also a teaching consultant at the New York State Department of Mental Hygiene is a speaker of ability. He has chosen for his topic: "Religious Training and Mental Health". A discussion period and questions will follow his lecture.

On this occasion, teachers of the Religious School will be present in order to give parents and teachers an opportunity to meet. A fine social evening has been planned, and it is hoped that all members and their friends will attend.

The annual Book Fair, sponsored by the Parents Association, will open on November 19th and will continue for several days. Books on Jewish life, record albums of Jewish music and many attractive gifts will be on sale.

To round out its fall program the group announces that it will also sponsor a seminar to be conducted by Rabbi Noveck. This will consist of four lectures, the first of which will be given on Monday, November 17th at 1 P.M. in the Vestry. Rabbi Noveck will open the lecture series with a talk on "The Psychology of the Jewish Child." A question and answer period will follow.

The second lecture will be given on Monday, November 24th at which time, Rabbi Noveck will discuss the controversial topic "How to teach God to your children." The third lecture will be given on Monday, December 1st and will be devoted to a discussion about "Inculcating a Sense of Values." The final lecture of the series will be on Monday, December 8th, when Rabbi Noveck will explain "How to Make the Holydays More Meaningful."

All members and their friends are invited to attend this seminar which should be interesting and informative.

The Synagogue Organist and Choir Leader, Isidore Geller, is still on the sick list. It is hoped that before long he will be able to resume his duties at the Synagogue.

Culling All Bulletins

By THEODORE and ALMA KAPLAN

The holyday season led Robert S. Copclin, contributing editor of the Park Synagogue Bulletin (Cleveland, Ohio), into a revery based upon remembered words: *"Kapores"* . . . I watched my uncle say the Broches transmitting all his 'sins' to a poor dumb chicken he twirled over his head. *"Tashlich"* . . . I watched them trudging down the muddy village streets to the polluted river. They emptied their pockets and threw crumbs — symbolic of sin — into the water. I listened to their sighs. *"The Tsadik"* . . . In his stocking feet, white kittel around his lean body, his tallith completely covering his head and most of his face, he stood in a corner of the synagogue on Yom Kippur, from sundown to sundown, completely detached from the rest of the congregation, a man alone in devout prayer. What special message did he receive from God?

A meaningful way of marking a Yahrzeit is noted in the Temple Israel (Great Neck, L. I.) Buletin. In memory of his father, one member acted as host at a Sunday morning Minyan (8:30), Breakfast (9:15), Study Group (9:30).

A new dinner combination appears in the announcement from the Government Street Temple (Congregation Shaarai Shomayim) in Mobile, Ala. They ran a "Father-Son-Daughter" Dinner, sponsored by their Men's Club, and call it "the best ever held".

Another issue of this congregation's bulletin carries a humorous filler, herewith condensed somewhat:

The High Cost of Heavenly Living

An artist employed to renovate and retouch great oil paintings in an old house of worship in Belgium rendered a bill for his work. The Building Committee returned it to him for detailed itemization, and this is the final bill for $49.73 as presented, audited, and paid.

Correcting the Ten Commandments ...	$ 5.12
Renewing Heaven and Adjusting Stars .	$ 7.14
Putting new stone in David's sling ...	6.13
Enlarging head of Goliath	3.39
Washing servant of the High Priest and Putting Carmine on his cheek ...	5.05
Taking spots off son of Tobias	10.30
Putting earrings in Sarah's ears	5.25
Decorating Noah's Ark	4.31
New head on Shem	3.04
	$49.73

Memorial Fund Committee Sees Pledges Increasing

Since the *Kol Nidre* appeal additional pledges have been coming in daily. The Memorial Committee is proud to announce that the families of O. Roy Chalk and M. Greenberg have dedicated a Pillar for $5,000.00 Mrs. I. J. Seskis, and her son Allan have dedicated an individual plaque for $2,500.00, and Herman S. Meltzer has contributed in excess of $1,000.00 which entitles him to a Memorial on the Founder's Scroll.

In the next few weeks, committees will be around to see the remainder of the Synagogue members who have not responded to this new appeal. Unless all those who have already made a contribution generously respond with increases, as was exemplified *Kol Nidre* evening, it will be a long way to the desired goal.

Attention of new members should be called to the project and it is hoped that when they are approached they will be as generous as possible.

From time to time volunteer workers are needed to help contact the membership for increased contributions. Those who have the time and would like to work with the committee on this worthy cause are urged to contact Mrs. Samuel Wimpfheimer at the Synagogue offices, SAcremento 2-8765.

SCHOOL NEWS

"Alumni Saturday" will be celebrated by the Religious School on November 8th. The confirmands and the Bar Mitzvah boys of recent years are invited to attend and conduct Junior Congregation services for the day. A dignified service, a large attendance of alumni and an excellent kiddush will help to make the day a great one for the students and the alumni.

Miss Michele Kay and Miss Sylvia Schneider, confirmands of the class of 1951 and graduates from the Religious School, have joined the faculty of the Primary Department as student-teachers. They have been assigned to classes where, under the guidance of the regular teachers, they will observe the teaching techniques used in the Sunday School and, also, have an opportunity to teach some of the students.

The annual Book Fair, conducted by the Parents' Association, is eagerly awaited by the students who are busy preparing original posters which will be on display at the Fair. Prizes will be awarded to the artists who submit the winning posters.

YOUTH NEWS

By DAVID ALAN RUTTENBERG

The orientation meeting of the Judah Halevi Society was held on October 19th at the Park Avenue Synagogue. Our Synagogue group had the opportunity of becoming better acquainted with their teen-age friends from the other affiliated synagogues. Committees were appointed to make plans for future meetings and from present indications, the Judah Ha-Levi Society should develop into an active group.

The October 26th meeting, as was expected, proved to be a humdinger. Mr. Victor Herwitz, an Assistant Corporation Counsel of the City of New York who is conducting the prosecution of the policemen on trial in connection with the graft investigation, gave an interesting talk on "Courage or Compromise." A spirited discussion followed.

A mock election was held on November 1st. At this meeting, two speakers outside our group and two chosen from our group spoke on the qualifications of the presidential candidates.

And when you are jotting down dates, be sure to put these in your diary: Sunday, November 9th, at 2:30 P.M., when we will have a discussion on Academic Freedom; Sunday, November 16th, at 2:30 P.M., a Thanksgiving luncheon and square dance in the Vestry; Sunday, November 23rd, at 2:30 P.M., the second lecture in our series; and December 7th, at 2:30 P.M., when we will exhibit a film and listen to a talk on Atomic Bombs.

Adult Education

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Further details will be announced later.

The special Friday night guest lecturers, who also are sponsored by the Adult Education Committee, are announced in other columns of the BULLETIN.

Among the faculty members who will participate in the program during November are: Cantor David J. Putterman, Miss Sara Macow, Mrs. Leonard Whortman, Dr. Hasya Cooperman, Mr. James G. Murray of the English Department at Adelphi College, Rev. Dr. James H. Robinson of the Presbyterian Church of the Master, Mr. Jerome Nathanson of the Society for Ethical Culture, and Rabbi Mortimer Waxman of the Temple Israel in Great Neck, N. Y. Additional outstanding faculty personnel are being engaged at the present time.

Young Marrieds' Affair To be Held Nov. 16th

The second annual Cocktail Party of the Young Marrieds will be held on Sunday afternoon, November 16th, at 3:00 P.M. in the Raleigh Room of the Hotel Warwick.

Mrs. Norman Cohen, Chairman of the affair, has announced that the contribution of $8.00 will entitle a couple to an afternoon of drinks, hors d'oeuvres and dancing. Reservations and checks should be mailed to her at 43 Gibson Place, Yonkers. All members and their friends are invited to attend.

The next meeting of the Young Marrieds wil be held on Tuesday evening, November 11th at 8:30 P.M. in the vestry of the Synagogue. A social evening of cards and gaames has been planned. Hostesses for the evening will be Mrs. Samuel Fredman, Mrs. Charles Jacobson and Mrs. Marvin Robinson.

At the last meeting on October 14th, Mr. Eliezer Whartman addressed the group on the controversial subject: "Is There a Future for American Jews?" He felt that unless a full scale program of Jewish education was undertaken, both in the school and the home, American Jewry would be doomed. After his lecture, many members questioned his very positive point of view.

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Sisterhood to Hear Amy Vanderbilt "On Etiquette for Modern Day Living"

Amy Vanderbilt will be the guest speaker at the next Sisterhood meeting on Tuesday afternoon, November 18th. She will discuss "Etiquette for Modern Day Living". The author of the recent best seller, *"Amy Vanderbilt's Complete Book of Etiquette"*, her articles appear frequently in leading magazines.

The mother of three children, Amy Vanderbilt still finds time to be active in civic and welfare work. In her recent book, she has tried to bring etiquette up to date and in keeping with the informality of the times. A stimulating discussion period will follow her talk.

AMY VANDERBILT

The next two days will present the final opportunity for members to send in their ads to the Journal which goes to press November 9th. Members are urged to act immediately to earn their free luncheon tickets.

The Donor Luncheon will be held, this year, at the Hotel Astor on Tuesday, December 9th. The Chairman, Mrs. Mack Fieber, has planned the entire program; the luncheon, the fashion show, and the prizes which should make the affair a memorable one. Those who wish books of chances are requested to call SAcremento 2-1834. Reservations should be made early.

Men's Club Will Hear Dr. Shih-Lien Hsu

After a most stimulating first meeting, the Men's Club, on Tuesday, November 18th, will follow up with a second very interesting program. Dr. Leonard Shih-Lien Hsu, analyzing the recent Soviet Communist Party Congress, will discuss, "Is There A New Stalin Bid For The Far Eastern World?"

The speaker, a man of varied background and full experience, brings unusual insight to the problems facing the peoples of the Philippines, Korea, and China today.

Over two hundred men were present at the opening meeting to hear Lloyd K. Harrison and Paul Felix Warburg lead a discussion on "Adlai or Ike?" Everyone was impressed by the dignity with which the program was presented.

All men are invited to attend the November 18th meeting at 8:30 P.M. and urged to bring a friend.

Tickets are still avaliable for "The Deep Blue Sea"; a new play by Terrence Rattigan, starring Margaret Sullavan. Any non-members of the Men's Club who desire tickets are requested to contact Archie Thurman, Chairman, at CAnal 6-5638.

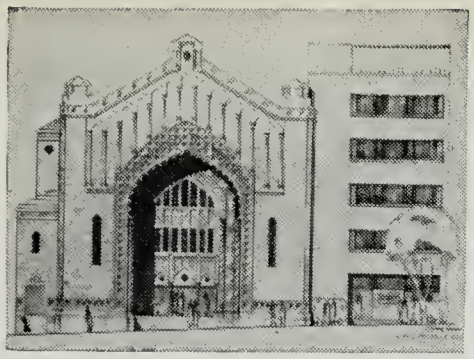
Sr. League Holds Oneg Shabbat

On Friday evening, November 14th following services, the Senior League is sponsoring an Oneg Shabbat to which the youth groups of B'nai Jeshurun and the Society for the Advancement of Judaism have been invited. A discussion and singing of Hebrew songs are planned. The program will be chaired by Bernard Weinflash.

Yizkor Elohim

ARTHUR FLORMAN

husband of Mrs. Arthur Florman



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Maggie McNellis to be Fashion Commentator At Sisterhood Luncheon

Mrs. Theodore I. Meistrich has announced that she will present "Park Avenue on Parade" at Sisterhood's annual Donor Luncheon to be held on Tuesday, December 9th in the Grand Ballroom of the Hotel Astor.

The following outstanding fashion designs will be shown: shoes by Delman; cocktail and evening gowns by Ben Gam; precious jewelry by Arthur Greenberg; tailored suits and dresses by Henry Greenhut; afternoon and evening attire by Maurice Rentner; sportswear and bathing suits by Carolyn Schnurer and hats by Sally Victor.

Nat Brooks and his trio will provide the music and Miss Maggie McNellis will be the commentator.

Those who have not already sent in their checks are advised to do so at once and to buy an additional invitation for a guest who will be most delighted to attend. The Chairman, Mrs. Mack Fieber, should be called for tickets at SAcremento 2-1834.

The Sisterhood has been invited to a luncheon and afternoon at the Yonkers Home of the New York Guild for the Jewish Blind on Tuesday, December 16th.

MAGGIE McNELLIS

Benjamin Cohen to Occupy Pulpit Friday, November 21st

Benjamin A. Cohen, Assistant Secretary General of the United Nations, will be the guest speaker at the late Friday evening service on November 21st. His topic will be "How to Achieve Peace", with a question and answer period to follow his speech.

Mr. Cohen who is in charge of the Department of Public Information of the United Nations is a native of Chile. He was educated in Chile and later attended the University of Georgetown, where he received his Master of Science in Foreign Service and completed the requirements for Doctor of Philosophy.

BENJAMIN COHEN

After serving for eleven years as reporter and associate editor on several important dailies in Chile, he served as Press Attaché to the Special Chilean Embassy to the First Centennial of Brazilian Independence in 1922.

From 1923 to 1945 he participated as a Chilean Diplomatic Officer to many foreign conferences. Mr. Cohen served as an international official in Commissions and Arbitrations and as Secretary, Interpreter and Delegate in numerous international conferences. He has been a member of the Faculty of the School of Foreign Service in Georgetown University.

In 1945 he was loaned by the Chilean Government to the International Secretariat of the United Nations for the Executive Committee and the Preparatory Commission. Early in March of 1946, he was appointed Assistant Secretary General of the United Nations, in charge of the Department of Public Information.

Abraham Geller Elected

Abraham N. Geller, a member of the Board of Trustees and the Men's Club of the Synagogue has been elected Judge of General Sessions Court in Manhattan.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday Evening, November 21st.....8:30 P.M.
Benjamin Cohen will discuss: "How to Achieve World Peace"

Saturday Morning, November 22nd.....9:45 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach

Friday Evening, November 28th.....8:30 P.M.
Rabbi Noveck will speak

Saturday Morning, November 29th.....9:45 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach

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WHAT A RABBI CAN DO WITHOUT

The following is taken from a recent issue of the bulletin of the Central Synagogue in Rockville Center, Long Island. It was written by the Rabbi of a large eastern congregation and appeared originally in the September issue of American Judaism. Rabbi Noveck has asked that we reprint it here.

The people who will tell you they are members of your flock,
But never come to temple though they live around the block;

The parents who inform you Sunday School is such a bore
To junior and his sister who despise all Jewish lore.

The member who complains he pays far too much in dues;
Who only comes two days a year and then wants book reviews.

The trustee who will tell you every service is too long
And wants the rabbi to install a sermon-timing gong.

The education experts who've arrived at this strange rule:
If children didn't have to come they'd love religious school;

The lady who is waiting for your convalescence call,
But no one bothered to inform you she was sick at all.

The adolescent playboys in the confirmation class
Who prove that they are made of unadulterated brass.

The hypnotist, magician, and the Yiddish-speaking clown
Who draw the biggest temple crowd whenever they're in town.

The lady in the Sisterhood who makes you blush with shame
When she blurts through the crowd and blurts out "Rabbi guess my name."

The critics of the prayer book who through it daily plod
To find another reason why they shouldn't worship God;

The many invocations and benedictions, too
Which take up every evening when there's so much else to do.

The sermon that you preached and thought would really make a hit
But was so misinterpreted, it did the opposite.

It's things like these that put you in the mood to rave and shout;
They're all of them the things a rabbi could do well without.

Synagogue to Honor Benjamin Sack With Dinner for Seminary Fellowship

A dinner is to be tendered to Benjamin Sack upon the completion of his five year term as President of the Board of Trustees of the Park Avenue Synagogue. The Dinner is to be held at the Belvedere Roof of the Hotel Astor on Sunday night, December 14th at 6:00 P.M. Tickets will be sold at twelve dollars per couple and an appropriate program in celebration of Chanukah will be presented.

The decision to hold the dinner was reached at a recent meeting of the Board of Trustees, Advisory Council presided over by the Vice-Chairman Ezra Cohen. A committee was appointed by the President, Jacob Klein, to plan the affair. Morris Joffe will head the committee which includes Isaac Liberman and Simon Rifkind, as well as the members of both Boards and other close friends of Mr. Sack.

It is no more than fitting that some recognition be afforded to Mr. Sack by his co-workers on the Board of Trustees and Advisory Council and all of the friends and members of the congregation for his devoted service to the synagogue.

This dinner to Benjaman Sack will have a second and equal significance in the establishment of a fellowship at the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, where Mr. Sack serves as a member of its Board of Overseers. This fellowship will be a perpetual honor, enabling worthy students to devote their time to study and research at this institution.

Members are requested to call Mrs. Helen Pincus at the Synagogue office, SAcremento 2-8765, for reservations. Tables of ten will be arranged for the enjoyment of groups of families and friends of Mr. Sack and the Park Avenue Synagogue.

Mazel Tov

TO Mr. and Mrs. Norman Platek on the Birth of their son, Todd Leslie.

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On the occasion of our 25th Anniversary, we received several hundred felicitations and good wishes from you, our synagogue friends . . . too numerous to answer, undoubtedly. We ask you therefore to accept our heartfelt thanks through this medium.

AMY AND DAVID PUTTERMAN

A new book for children entitled *GOOD SHABBOS EVERYBODY* by Robert Garvey is now available through the United Synagogue of America. The book which is designed for 4 and 5 year olds, explains the meaning of the Sabbath to young children.

Copies may be ordered at $1.25 from The United Synagogue of America, 3080 Broadway, New York City.

Parents Hold Classes, Luncheon, Book Fair

On November 3rd, the Parents Association greeted mothers of new children of the Religious School. Over 45 mothers of new registrants attended the luncheon which was held in the Vestry. Mrs. Herman Helpern, President, greeted the guests and outlined the aims and activities of the Parents Association. Several of those present volunteered to serve on the various Committees.

Cantor Putterman spoke of the importance of Jewish ceremonies and ritual in the home and the part that Jewish music plays in the life of Jewish children. Mr. Martin Leichtling, Principal of the Religious School, also addressed the gathering and stressed the need of a proper family attitude towards Religious School attendance.

Dr. Louis Linn, who is associated with the Department of Psychiatry at Mt. Sinai Hospital, spoke on "Religious Training and Mental Health" at the open meeting on November 19th. His talk was unusually stimulating and resulted in a spirited discussion period. Parents had the opportunity to meet with the teachers of the Religious School and a pleasant evening was enjoyed by all who attended.

The Annual Book Fair was opened on November 19th. This event, sponsored by the Parents Association, will continue for several days. Any one desiring to purchase books on Jewish life or record albums on Jewish music will not want to miss this opportunity. There will be many attractive gifts on display for those who wish to make their Chanukah purchases in advance. The display will continue for the Adult Education Classes on Monday evening, November 24th and the Sisterhood meeting which follows that week. There will be a special entertainment for parents and children of the Religious School on Monday afternoon, November 24th.

The seminar sponsored by the Parents Association got off to a successful start on Monday afternoon, November 17th. Rabbi Simon Noveck opened the series with a talk on "The Psychology of the Jewish Child". A great many attended and participated in the question and answer period that followed. Those who missed the first lecture will not want to

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Memorial Fund Committee Requests Members' Help

Members of the Synagogue have been cooperative in responding to the Milton Steinberg Memorial Fund. But a substantial number of the membership must still be seen.

The committee is trying to accomplish this task through letters and through personal solicitation. The membership can help along greatly by cooperating in either responding immediately to these letters or setting an appointment for discussing the problem with the worker who has been assigned to them. To achieve this worthy goal, some members have been called upon to give not only of their money, but of their time. Those who cannot serve should facilitate the job of the workers.

YOUTH NEWS

By DAVID ALAN RUTTENBERG

We hope we may be pardoned for boasting, but the Judah Halevi Society has reason to be proud of the high standard of its activities since the opening of its fall season.

On Sunday, November 9th, our Youth Club held a tea dance at the home of Marilyn Greenberg. An unusually large group atended this gay party. The teenagers danced to the lively music of the latest recordings after which refreshments were served.

A week later on Sunday, November 16th, the Club held a Thanksgiving Day Square Dance in the Vestry of the Park Avenue Synagogue. All joined in the fun whether they were square dance experts or waltzing enthusiasts.

December 7th is a date, we will always remember. It was on December 7th, 1941 that Pearl Harbor was bombed! On December 7th, 1952, the Judah Halevi Society, in commemoration of that never-to-be forgotten day, plans to have a film and lecture on the Atomic Bomb. We are assured that it will be a most interesting event.

SCHOOL NEWS

The students of the Religious School will participate in the Jewish National Fund's Annual Tag Day drive scheduled for the weekend of November 28th. The money collected by the children in the school will help the Jewish National Fund continue its crucially important work.

The Fund has worked over a half a century for the redemption and the cultivation of the soil of Israel. Only recently the Fund has assigned 1,000,000 dunams of land for new agricultural settlements that are to be established in all parts of Israel in the coming Spring. These new settlements, when developed, will increase the agricultural output by fully one-third, going a long way toward the abolition of the current food rationing system in Israel.

The students hope to have their usual success this year in the sale of 10c tags for the redemption of the land of Israel.

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Junior Congregation services are held every Saturday morning at 11:00 A.M. in the vestry of the Synagogue. The students of the Hebrew Department of the Religious School invite the members of the Synagogue to join with them occasionally, in a most inspiring service.

A major feature of the service is the congregational singing of the liturgical music which was prepared for the congregation by Cantor Putterman. The Torah service is marked by a lively discussion of the bible-reading of the week. On the Sabbath preceding Rosh Chodesh, the new moon is greeted and the congregation partakes of kiddush.

In recent years, a sermonette or a story was presented each week by a member of the faculty or by one of the students. This year, a number of guest speakers will be invited from among the members of the Park Avenue Synagogue to speak to the young congregants.

The business of the Junior Congregation is conducted by a Synagogue Council, consisting of its elected officers and two delegates from each class, who plan for a number of school functions, allocate the Keren Ami funds to worthy organizations and generally provide for the good and welfare of the students of the school.

Men's Club Arranges Card Party Evening

In response to the request from many members, the Men's Club is planning another "Card Party Evening", which, it is expected, will be as enjoyable as the one given two years ago.

On Thursday evening, December 11th, after a short business meeting, the Vestry will be transformed into a game room and the group will enjoy a social evening.

Those who have not already purchased their tickets for the Men's Club Theatre Party play, "The Deep Blue Sea" starring Margaret Sullavan, should contact the Chairman, Archie I. Thurman at CAnal 6-5638. Some tickets may still be available for the affair which takes place on Wedneday evening, December 17th.

Parents

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miss those that will follow. The second of the series will be given on November 24th in the Vestry at 1 P.M. and the subject will be "How to teach God to your children." The following one will be given on Monday, December 1st and will be devoted to a discussion of "Inculcating a Sense of Values." Rabbi Noveck will deliver the four lectures.

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Rabbi to Discuss Jewish Survival, Intermarriage, at Adult Education

Rabbi Noveck will continue his lectures on the Contemporary American Jewish Community Monday evening, November 24th at 9 P.M. He will discuss "Challenges to Jewish Survival in America". He will deal with the problem of living in two cultures; the economic and intellectual challenges and the impact of Christianity on American Judaism.

On Monday evening, December 1st, his topic will be "Intermarriage—Can it be Effective?" Intermarriage on the sociological plane as well as the effect of intermarriage on the survival of the Jew in America will be included in his lecture.

The course on Western Religions will have Reverend Dr. James H. Robinson, Pastor of Presbyterian Church of the Master, who will speak on "Protestantism" on November 24th at 8 P.M., and on December 1st, a noted speaker will discuss "Islam".

The courses in Hebrew, Yiddish, and Choral music will be given at 8 P.M. and Cantor Putterman's special Cantilation course at 7:30 P.M.

The Parents' Association which sponsors a series of four lectures for mothers of school-age children will hear Rabbi Noveck discuss "How to Teach the Idea of God to Children" and "Inculcating a Sense of Values" at 1 P.M. on Monday, November 24th and December 1st.

Young Marrieds Plan New Season's Program

The Young Marrieds, once again extend an invitation to all young couples in the synagogue to join their group. The program planned for the coming year should be of interest to everyone.

On Tuesday evening, December 9th, Joseph Ben Yochannen, advisor on Ethiopian affairs to the United Nations, will discuss traditions of African and Oriental Jewry. This distinguished speaker returns to the group by popular request.

Details of the January meeting will be announced at a later date. On February 19th, in celebration of Brotherhood Week, Reverend Jesse R. Stitt, Minister of the Village Presbyterian Church, will be the guest speaker. Reverend Stitt has taken an outstanding part in the interfaith movement. He has turned over the facilities of his church to a Jewish congregation for its use.

On March 10th, Mrs. Tehilla Lichtenstein, an outstanding leader in the field of Jewish Science, will discuss this phase of Judaism.

Howard Kieval Appointed Adult Education Officer

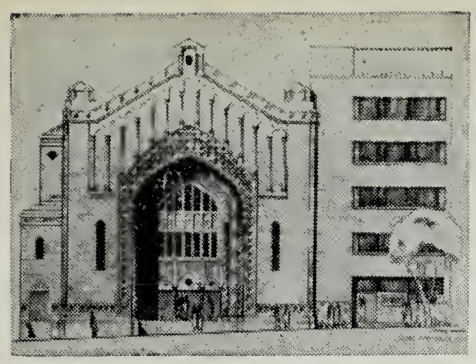
The appointment of Howard Kieval as Vice-President of the Adult Education Committee has been announced by Benjamin Sack, Chairman of the Board of Trustees.

Mr. Kieval, who has been active with the Committee for some time, has contributed much to the planning of this year's program. The Chairman of the Committee on Adult Education is Harold Starkman.

Senior League to Hold Meeting December 4th

The Senior League will hold a panel discussion at its next Open Meeting on Thursday evening, December 4th. Terry Weiss and Bernie Weinflash will be Co-Chairmen for the program.

Members of the League have been doing their bit in contributing to the recent activities of the Young People's League. The honorary Chief Executive, Bernie Weinflash, has just been elected to the post of National Vice-President for the New York Region and their President, Bob Barzilay, has been devoting his spare hours to the creation of BULLETIN, the new Young People's League paper.



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Congregation Mourns Isidor Geller Synagogue Organist

Rabbi Noveck, Cantor Putterman and the Synagogue have this week sustained an irreparable loss by the passing of Isidor Geller, the Park Avenue Synagogue organist and musical director. Mr. Geller, during the 20 years he was synagogue organist, never missed a Friday evening service until he became ill several months ago.

A special tribute in his honor was to have taken place this month to commemorate the completion of 20 years of devoted service to the Synagogue. He was one of the outstanding artists at the organ console.

Isidor Geller was born in Russia in 1888. At the age of 13 he was assistant to the renowned Choir Director—Composer David Nowakowsky. In 1906 he became Choir Leader with the celebrated Cantor Pinchos Minkowsky. Later he was a pupil of Clarence Dickinson and Gaston Dephier. Music critics acclaimed him for his artistic accomplishments both as a soloist and accompanist. He is survived by his wife, Bessie. Funeral services were held at the Synagogue on Friday, November 28th.

Chanukah begins on Friday, December 12th. Light the first candle on Friday, December 12th before Sundown and one additional candle thereafter each evening after Sundown until Friday, December 19th. On the last evening, light the candle before Sundown. It is appropriate to give your children a gift each night of Chanukah.

Benjamin Sack to be Honored At Chanukah Dinner Dec. 14th

Plans are being completed for the testimonial dinner to Benjamin Sack to be held on Sunday evening, December 14th at the Belvedere Roof of the Hotel Astor at 6:30 P.M. The dinner, for which tickets are available at twelve dollars per couple, will replace the annual Chanukah Party given at the Synagogue. An appropriate program in celebration of Chanukah will be presented.

A large turnout of members and friends from the Park Avenue Synagogue will honor Mr. Sack upon his completion of five years as Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Synagogue.

Those who have known Mr. Sack realize the many great contributions he has made to the progress and development of the Synagogue through his years of association with the rabbi and the Board, as well as his unfailing loyalty on behalf of the spirit of the Synagogue family.

Featured on the program of the dinner will be an Eternal Light radio rebroadcast of a famous Chanukah program. This feature will include Cantor David Putterman and the noted Eternal Light radio star, Roger de Koven, who will be in charge of production.

Cantor Putterman will also light the candles and lead in the singing of traditional Chanukah songs. Mr. Alan M. Stroock, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Jewish Theological Seminary, will participate in the acceptance,

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BENJAMIN SACK

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday Evening, December 5th ..... 8:30 P.M.
Rabbi Noveck will discuss:
"The Best Jewish Books of 1952"
(A sermon in honor of Jewish Book Month)

Saturday Morning, December 6th ..... 9:45 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach

Friday Evening, December 12th ..... 8:30 P.M.
Rabbi Noveck will discuss:
"Does Israel Have a Moral Crisis?"
(A Chanukah Message)

Saturday Morning, December 13th ..... 9:45 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach:
"Joseph and His Brothers"

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a message to the congregation

To the Congregants of the Park Avenue Synagogue:

After many meeting extending over several years, the Building Committee is now able to report that in the last few months more progress has been made toward the realization of our objective than during any previous comparable period and now we are well on our way toward our financial goal. We are in a position at last to begin the construction of a building of which we shall all be proud, dedicated to the memory of our great teacher and friend —Rabbi Milton Steinberg.

The credit for the progress made in obtaining the finances for this great purpose belongs, to a large extent, to the Milton Steinberg Memorial Committee and particularly to the spectacular efforts of Mr. Isidore M. Cohen, a member of the Board of Trustees, who, in a single evening (Kol Nidre) was instrumental in raising $200,000 toward the goal of the Fund.

In the course of the next few weeks, the Building Committee will:

(1) Take up and dispose of the problem of choosing the final design of the glass facade for the new building.

(2) The building plans, already filed with the Building Department, will be carefully examined again in minute detail to make certain that no detail of structure of a religious character has been overlooked.

(3) Bids of subcontractors are now being obtained for submission to a subcommittee of builders of the Building Committee, which will choose from the bids submitted those which are considered most advantageous.

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Due to the delay by the National Production Authority in approval of our steel requirements and to the advent of winter, construction will not begin until March, 1953 and will then be pursued until the building is completed—approximately six to eight months. We are hopeful that the building and all renovations will be ready by the next High Holy Days.

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We cannot emphasize too strongly the necessity of anticipating your pledges and contributing whatever else you can to this great enterprise, so that we can proceed without interruption with the great task remaining before us.

Imagine a new six-story building with a magnificent facade, a renovated and enlarged vestry with a kitchen able to serve 300 guests, and containing lounging quarters, etc., a beautiful new chapel for small weddings, etc., a new heating plant, a high speed automatic elevator with entrances on several floors to the synagogue, etc. This is what we plan to build. We urge you to get behind our efforts to make it a reality. Your dollars will provide a greater Synagogue and school to serve succeeding generations of Jewish children. It is a goal which should appeal to all who have at heart the greater glory of our faith and the memory of our fallen leader, Rabbi Milton Steinberg.

SAUL GODWIN

All those who are unable to attend the Adult Education classes this year and would like a list of recommended reading that can be done at home, please write or call Rabbi Noveck at his study, SAcremento 2-8765. Reading lists for the following subjects are available:

Jewish Philosophy and Religion
Jewish History
History of Jewish Literature
Bible
Contemporary Jewish Scene

The Synagogue Office will be happy to cooperate in helping you to procure the recommended books.

Synagogue Plans Federation Drive

A committee of Park Avenue Synagogue members will meet at 11:30 A.M. Sunday, December 14th at the Hotel Croyden, 12 East 86th Street, to plan the synagogue's second annual participation in the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies current campaign for its network of medical and social welfare agencies in Greater New York. Chairmen of the committee are Sanford H. Cohen and Victor Herwitz.

The brunch is the second annual event held to mobilize the membership on behalf of Federation's $20,000,000 maintenance campaign. With Sanford Cohen as chairman last year the committeee organized the first solicitation of temple members as a tribute to Milton Weill when hc took over the presdency of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies. The solicitation was so successful and so many new gifts were received that it was decided to try for one hundred percent participation of synagogue members in the Federation drive this year.

"A gift to Federation means a gift to 116 medical and social welfare agencies in Greater New York," Mr. Cohen said. "Federation affiliated hospitals, homes, institutions for the handicapped and dependent, its agencies for the troubled and aged serve half a million people annually. Every synagogue member should feel a responsibility for helping support Federation, the largest local Jewish philanthropy in the country.

Park Avenue Synagogue's members include many important Federation leaders, in addition to Mr. Weill. Mr. Cohen is associate chairman of the Manhattan Division; Saul Horowitz, Associate chairman of the 1952 overall Federation campaign. President, Jacob Klein, and the Chairman of the Board, Benjamin Sack are vice-chairmen of the Manhattan Division. Other members of the Park Avenue Synagogue Committee are: Charles Berns, Judge Bernard Botein, Ezra Cohen, Hon. Abraham N. Geller, Harry Halbren, Benjamin A. Hartstein, Louis Heller, Herman Hoffman, Morris Joffe, Joseph A. Katz, Edward Kaye, Col. Melvin Krulewich, Harold Levin, Isaac Liberman. Mortimer D. Millheiser, Rabbi Simon Noveck. Arthur Ochs, George Osserman. Dr. Harold Osserman, Cantor David Putterman, Nelson Ruttenberg, Harold Seligson, Sidney Silberman. Harry J. Sokolow, Archie Thurman, Charles Weill and Samuel Wimpfheimer.

Rabbi Noveck Speaks To Community Groups

On Sunday, November 15th, Rabbi Noveck addressed the Manhattan Zionist Club on the theme "The Future of Judaism in America."

The rabbi was guest speaker at a meeting, held in Temple Mishkan Tefilah in Boston, sponsored by the New England Region of the United Synagogue on December 3rd. He spoke on "Adult Jewish Education in the Modern Synagogue". Most of the conservative congregations in New England sent representatives to this meeting.

On December 8th, Rabbi Noveck will be one of a panel of experts who will answer questions at the annual meeting of the Metropolitan Region of the United Synagogue on problems facing the modern congregation. His area will be that of Adult Jewish Education.

Rabbi Noveck has been invited to speak in Indianapolis on December 23rd on the Writings and Philosophy of Milton Steinberg.

Metropolitan Council Holds Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting of the Metropolitan Council will be held on Monday evening, December 8th, at the Jewish Theological Seminary of America. The meeting will begin with dinner at 6 o'clock.

Following the dinner there will be a brief report of the activities of the Metropolitan Council for the past year; election of officers, and following that the evening will be devoted to a question and answer period, "WHAT'S YOUR PROBLEM?". A panel of experts will answer questions concerning the problems faced in the congregation and there will be ample opportunity for general discussion.

Rabbi Noveck will serve as an expert on Adult Education along with Dr. Abraham E. Millgram, Educational Director of the United Synagogue; Dr. Morton Siegel, Director of the United Synagogue Youth; Mr. David Siegel, Executive Director of Temple Ansche Chesed; and Dr. Emil Lehman, Assistant Executive Director of the United Synagogue of America.

Representatives of all Conservative Congregations in the city will attend this meeting to discuss ways and means of increasing the effectiveness of the Council's work. Those members who wish to serve as delegates to the council are urged to contact Rabbi Noveck immediately.

Memorial Fund Committee Receives New Pledges

The Memorial Committee is proud to announce the following additional pledges:

Mr. and Mrs. H. Lawrence Herring have contributed $1,000 which entitles them to a Memorial on the Founder's Scroll.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph A. Perlman have contributed $1,000 and are entitled to a Memorial on the Founder's Scroll.

Mr. Louis Friedman has contributed $1750 and is entitled to a Memorial on the Founder's Scroll.

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Upon the passing of Leo Rosenhirsch, his family requested that friends who wished to send flowers refrain from doing so. They suggested that instead they contribute that money to the Milton Steinberg Memorial Fund.

Sack Dinner

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from the Board and members of the Synagogue, of the establishment of a perpetual Fellowship in the name of Mr. Sack at the Seminary.

Judge Simon H. Rifkind, one of the three Co-Chairmen of the dinner, will serve as Toastmaster, and Mr. Milton Weill will speak on behalf of the Board. Other leaders and functionaries of the congregation will likewise share in this program.

Those who have not already made their reservations should call Mrs. Pincus at the Synagogue, SAcremento 2-8765.

The following are the officers of the Testimonial Dinner Committee: Chairmen, Morris Joffe, Isaac Liberman, and Hon. Simon H. Rifkind; Honorary Chairmen, Dr. E. D. Friedman, Jacob Klein, and Rabbi Simon Noveck; Associate Chairmen, Mrs. Phyllis Siegel, Ezra Cohen, I. M. Cohen, Sanford H. Cohen, and Joseph H. Katz; Vice Chairmen, Benjamin Abrams, George L. Armour, Barney Balaban, Robert A. Barzilay, Hon. Bernard Botein, Hon. Abraham N. Geller, Saul Godwin, Jules Haft, Harry Halbren, Mrs. Lillian Helpern, Victor Herwitz, Col. Melvin Krulewitch, Joseph Kurzon, Harold H. Levin, Joseph I. Lubin, Arthur Ochs, Israel B. Oseas, Cantor David J. Putterman, Dr. Hector Ritey, Emanuel Rosenthal, Nelson Ruttenberg, Irving Sarnoff, Barney Schlinger, Sidney Silberman, Harold Starkman, Milton Weill, Mrs. Helen Wimpfheimer, and Max Zahler.

Parents to Sponsor Chanukah Festivities For Religious School

The annual Chanukah celebrations for students of the Religious School will be conducted by the school with the cooperation of the Parents Association.

On Saturday evening, December 13th between 5:00 and 8:30 P.M., the students of the Hebrew Department will have a supper party in the vestry of the synagogue. The program will feature the Havdolah service, the kindling of the lights of the Feast of Rededication and songs and dances. The class mothers, under the direction of Mrs. Edward Joseph, will serve the dinner and distribute Chanukah gifts to each of the students.

Each class of the Religious School will have its own party on the following Sunday morning. Appropriate dancing, games and refreshments will mark these festivities. Invitations are being mailed to all members of the Religious School. Mrs. Stanley Simon, Chairman, and her Committee consisting of Mrs. E. Joseph, Mrs. A. Stengel and Mrs. Leon Klein, assisted by the class mothers, are in charge of these parties.

The Parents Association is proud of the achievement of one of its active members. Mrs. Stanley Simon, Chairman of Workshop, has just completed a pamphlet on Chanukah which is being distributed to the Parents Associations of all affiliated synagogues. This excellent booklet explains the meaning of Chanukah, the traditional observance in the home, and the appropriate decorations, games and gifts for celebrating this holiday.

The annual Book Fair sponsored by the Parents Association during November was well attended. Many parents availed themselves of the opportunity to purchase books on Jewish life and record albums on Jewish music. As a fitting conclusion to this popular event, a large group of children from the Religious School was entertained on Monday afternoon, November 24th, at which time, posters prepared by the children were on display, and prizes were awarded.

The three sessions of the Seminar sponsored by the Parents Association have proved unusually successful.

The final lecture of the series will be given on Monday, December 8th at 1:30 P.M. Rabbi Noveck will explain "How to Make the Holidays More Meaningful".

Sisterhood Will Fete Blind at Chanukah

Sisterhood's celebration of Chanukah will take place on Tuesday, December 16th at the New York Guild Home for the Jewish Blind in Yonkers. Members are cordially invited to attend this luncheon meeting as guests of the Home.

A wonderful program has been arranged by Sisterhood to entertain their sightless friends, to whom they will bring good cheer as well as Chanukah gifts.

All members are urged to take advantage of this opportunity of participating in a very worthy venture. Invitations have been sent out and immediate response is requested. Transportation will be arranged.

SCHEDULE OF ADULT CLASSES

Monday, December 8th .....8:00 P.M.
Mr. Jerome Nathanson
Of the Ethical Culture Society
"Ethical Culture"

Monday, December 8th .....9:00 P.M.
Rabbi Noveck will discuss:
"American Jewry and the State of Israel"

Monday, December 15th ....8:00 P.M.
Rabbi Mordecai Waxman
Of Temple Israel, Great Neck, L. I.
"Judaism"

Monday, December 15th ....9:00 P.M.
Rabbi Noveck will discuss:
"Unity in the American Jewish Community—Is It Possible and Desirable?"

Hebrew, Yiddish, Choral Classes
8:00 P.M.

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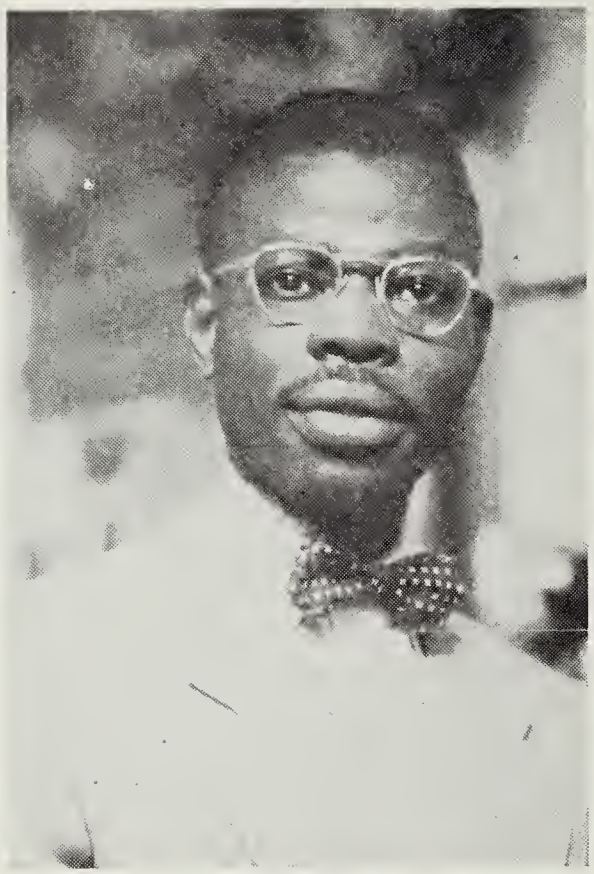
Ethiopian Attaché Visits Young Marrieds Group



YOSEF BEN JOHANNAN

Dr. Yosef Ben Johannan will address the Young Marrieds on Tuesday evening, December 9th in the Vestry of the synagogue. His topic will be "The Ethiopian Jewish Community".

Dr. Johannan who is a technical advisor to the United Nations, served as a Captain in the Ethiopian Jewish Brigade during World War II. As a student he earned his Ph.D. at Haile Selassie Royal Academy and at Cambridge University, and also studied at La Salle University. Well known as a lecturer, he has traveled on five continents and speaks a half a dozen languagees in addition to a very fluent English. Those who were privileged to hear Dr. Johannan last year, have requested his return visit. All members are invited to attend.

The annual cocktail party of the Young Marrieds was held on Sunday, November 16th in the Raleigh Room of the Hotel Warwick. A record attendence supplemented by excellent drinks, appetizers and congeniality insured the affair's success.

Yizkor Elohim

LEO ROSENHIRSCH
husband of Hilda Rosenhirsch
father of Jane Rosenhirsch

ESTHER TEICH
aunt of Mrs. Theodore Zucker

Card Party Evening Set for Men's Club

This year the Men's Club is getting into the Chanukah spirit early. On Thursday, December 11th, the evening before the first candle is to be lighted, there will be a game night and card party in the Synagogue Vestry. All men are invited to attend, whether to play bridge, gin, canasta, or just to kibbitz.

Milton Selig, the chairman for the evening, has made plans for door prizes to be given away and special refreshments to be served.

A program of sociability, relaxation, and fun is planned. Note, however, that for a change it is on a Thursday evening, December 11th, at 8:30 P.M.

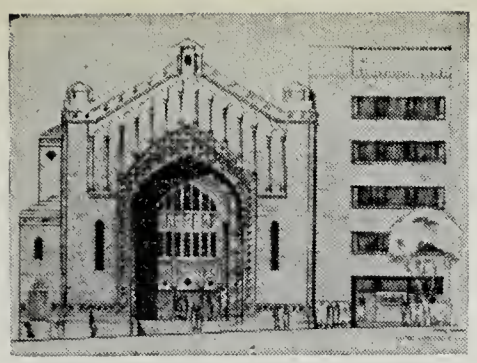
Jewish Welfare Board Honors Milton Weill

Milton Weill, formerly Vice-Chairman, and an active member of the Synagogue's Board of Trustees, was once again recipient of honors at the annual meeting of the Metropolitan Section of the Jewish Welfare Board which was held at the Hotel Commodore, Sunday evening, November 16th.

The occasion for the conferring of this citation on Milton Weill was his contribution to the work of the National Jewish Welfare Board of which he is a Vice President and Chairman of the Armed Services Committee.

Reference was also made to Mr. Weill's numerous communal endeavors including his work at the Park Avenue Synagogue, his Presidency at Federation, his activity with the U.J.A., the American Jewish Committee, and the 92nd Street Y.M.H.A.

The meeting which preceded the dinner honoring Mr. Weill, Col. Melvin L. Krulewitch, a member of the Board of Trustees, was named Chairman of the Jewish Welfare Board's annual dinner. On behalf of the U.J.A. and Chairman of its New York City Council Harold Levin, also of the Board, was elected Vice President of the Metropolitan Section.



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New Contributions for Memorial Building Fund

The Milton Steinberg Memorial Fund was the recipient of over $500 in gifts in memory of Leo Rosenhirsch from the following friends—

Herman D. Baskind
Dorothy C. Linzer
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David Linzer and Sons
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Z. L. Sung
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Mr. and Mrs. J. Kleiman
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Mr. and Mrs. D. Anatole
Morris L. Bower
Mr. and Mrs. S. Zalis
Jack Gantz
Mr. and Mrs. M. Hatcherian
Arthur I. and Frank Darman
Bernard Bernstein

In memory of Frederick Jacobi, the renowned composer, his family has contributed a liberal donation to the Milton Steinberg Memorial Fund.

A number of friends are contributing in memory of Isidor Geller, our late Synagogue organist.

The families of Ivens Sherr and A. I. Sherr have contributed $10,000 for a classroom in the Memorial Building.

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Sack have contributed $2500 and will receive an individual plaque in the new building.

Additional contributions received for the available Mitzvahs from the following donors:

The David and Annie Kahn Foundation including the families of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Yager, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Kahn and Mr. and Mrs. Julius M. Kahn.

Mr. Samuel Brimberg
Mr. Jerrold R. Golding

Rabbi Noveck Writes Education Brochure

A sixty-four page Brochure on "Adult Education in the Modern Synagogue," written by Rabbi Noveck, has recently been published by the National Academy of Adult Jewish Studies, and sent to all Conservative Rabbis and to Chairmen of Adult Education committees in conservative congregations throughout the country.

The Brochure describes the objectives of Adult Jewish Education, explains the procedures for organizing and administering Adult Education programs in the Synagogue, deals with the problem of lifting the standards, and suggests a variety of courses that may be included in the curriculum.

Members of the Synagogue who are particularly interested in reading this Brochure should call the Synagogue office. A limited number of copies are available to members of the Congregation.

STEINBERG BOOK ON SALE

A number of copies of "A Believing Jew" by Rabbi Milton Steinberg are available at the Synagogue office. They are offered at the special price of $2.50, instead of the original price of $3.62. "A Believing Jew" which contains many of the late Rabbi Steinberg's sermons would be an ideal gift for any member of your family for Chanukah.

Rabbi Noveck to Leave On Adult Education Tour

On Monday, December 22nd, Rabbi Noveck will leave for a speaking tour on behalf of the National Academy of Adult Jewish Studies of which he is the Director, and for the United Synagogue.

His itinerary includes the following communities: Indianapolis, Minneapolis, San Francisco, Sacramento, Los Angeles, Tucson, Dallas, Houston and Austin. In each community he will meet with the local Rabbis, Congregational Boards and Committees on Adult Education, and address the Adult Institutes or preach in the local Synagogue.

The purpose of the trip is to find out, at first hand, the status of Adult Education in the modern conservative Synagogue, stimulate further activity, and render whatever service he can on behalf of the Seminary to outlying communities.

Rabbi Noveck has arranged for guest Rabbis to replace him at all services and Adult Education classes.

Members of the Congregation needing the Rabbi are to call Mr. Rosenthal or Mrs. Pincus at the Synagogue office, and they will arrange to have one of Rabbi Noveck's colleagues available.

REMEMBER THE DATE!
Sunday, January 25th . . .
Annual Congregational Dinner

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday Evening, December 19th ..... 8:30 P.M.
Rabbi Noveck will discuss:
"A Rabbi Looks at the Christian Problem"

Saturday Morning, December 20th ..... 9:45 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach

Friday Evening, December 26th ..... 8:30 P.M.
Guest Speaker to be announced

Saturday Morning, December 27th ..... 9:45 A.M.
Saturday Morning Services

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WATCH FOR LADIES NIGHT AT THE MEN'S CLUB !

The Men's Club will once again hold its annual Ladies Night on Tuesday evening, January 20th. There will be dancing, entertainment and refreshments. All men and their wives are asked to reserve this date. Complete details will follow in a later issue of BULLETIN.

YOUTH NEWS

DAVID ALAN RUTTENBERG

The second lecture in the series conducted by the Judah Halevi Society was held on Sunday afternoon, November 23rd at the Park Avenue Synagogue. Sanford Hahn, our Youth Advisor, delivered a lecture on the subject "Why We Believe in God." In his talk, he pointed out the nature of God as we contemplate the Divine Being and stressed the benefits that we can derive from our faith both personally and socially.

The commemoration of Pearl Harbor, that eventful day in 1941, took place on Sunday, December 7th. A film on the Atomic Bomb was shown.

On December 28th, 29th and 30th, the annual Youth convention of the United Synagogue of America will be held in Washington, D. C. We are planning to send three representatives to this convention on behalf of the Judah Halevi Society.

Mazel Tov

TO Mr. and Mrs. A. Luebeck on the Marriage of their son.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Ruttenberg on their 25th Anniversary, December 11th.

SCHOOL NEWS

SCHOOL RE-OPENS

Religious School classes will re-open on the following dates:

Hebrew Dept. .....Saturday, Jan. 3rd
Jr. Congregation ..Saturday, Jan. 3rd
Primary Dept. .....Sunday, Jan. 4th

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REPORT CARDS

The Chanukah season marks the completion of the first third of the Religious School year and the distribution of report cards to all students in the Hebrew Department.

Parents are urged to discuss with their children the report card marks and the teacher's personal comments evaluating the work of each student. The interest of the parent in the report card and in the work of the Religious School will be reflected in the development within the child of a positive attitude toward Jewish education.

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POSTER AWARDS

The winners of the Book Fair poster contest sponsored by the Parents' Association, in conjunction with the annual Jewish Book Month celebration, were recently announced.

Prizes have been awarded to the following:

For the Hebrew Department: Leona Giat, and Phyllis Brody.

For the Primary Department: Mark Siegal, Lillian Wiener, Ronnie Gold and Susan Teschner.

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BOY SCOUTS

"Troop 600" of the Boy Scouts, affiliated with the Religious School, has been meeting in the Vestry of the synagogue for two years.

The twenty-two boys, who make up the troop, have been enthusiastically participating in the program, with its emphasis on scouting, nature study, camping and woodcraft. The troop has been on all day hikes and is, now, planning an overnight camping trip to the scout camp at Alpine, N. J. The members of the troop are, also, preparing for their merit badges, one of which is the Ner Tomid badge for religious study.

The success of the troop can be attributed to the guidance of their leader, Mr. Sam Peyer, and the student patrol leaders, John Wolf, Nathan Kolodney and Teddy Pincus.

$2000 Profit Realized By Sisterhood Journal

Sisterhood has brought 1952 to a successful close with several outstanding achievements. The Annual Donor Luncheon and Fashion Show on December 9th was a gala occasion and has been proclaimed the social and financial climax of the winter season. The Journal for the Luncheon realized a net profit of over $2000.

The Chanukah visit to the New York Guild for the Jewish Blind in Yonkers was notable for its large attendance of members who spent an enjoyable afternoon at the Home.

The new year will be inaugurated by an open meeting on January 20th, at which Mrs. Harold Lynton will speak on "Economies for Women". This is a vital and timely topic which should prove interesting to everyone.

Senior League Holds Dec. Program Meeting

The Senior League held a closed meeting at which plans for future activities were presented for discussion by the membership on Thursday evening, December 18th, at 8:30 P.M. in the Vestry of the synagogue.

Under the chairmanship of Murray Tarragano and Rita Gershman, the entertainment for Purim evening is being planned, and the outline for its final format was presented at the meeting.

On Sunday, December 21st at 3:00 P.M. the Senior League will hold its Chanukah Dance in the Vestry under the co-chairmanship of Leah Goldman and Vic Joseph. Music will be by Jeno Bartel and his orchestra.

Thursday, January 8th, the Senior League will hold its monthly open meeting to which all are invited. Topic and speaker will be announced shortly.

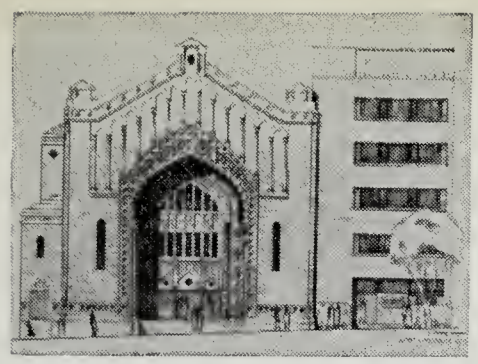
The Senior League will miss HAROLD KURTE, who left for duty with the Armed Forces on December 9th.

Yizkor Elohim

JOSEPH S. BATT
brother of Mrs. Nathan Rosenthal

GERALDINE THIEL
sister of George L. Armour

LOUIS S. METZGER
father of Lester Metzger
and Mrs. Hoexter



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Dr. Stephen S. Kayser Jewish Museum Curator Will be Guest Speaker

Dr. Stephen Kayser, curator of the Jewish Museum, will address the congregation on Friday evening, January 2nd at 8:30 P.M. He will discuss "Art Challenges the Modern Synagogue". Dr. Kayser who has travelled throughout the country and seen important new synagogue buildings will discuss the new trend and philosophy of synagogue building.

Dr. Kayser came to America in 1938 from Czechoslovakia, where he was Professor of the History of Art in Brno. After doing research work at Columbia, the Emergency Committee in Aid of Displaced Foreign Scholars placed him with the Art Department of the University of California where he taught upper division Art courses. In 1946 he became Professor of History of Art at San Jose State College.

Through his research work at Columbia, and his collection of slides which is the largest private collection pertaining to Jewish ceremonial art in the world, the Seminary invited him to become the curator of the Jewish Museum in 1946. With the aid of his wife and Dr. Guido Schoenberger, formerly curator of the Jewish Museum at Frankfort-on-the-Main, he organized and opened the museum in May of 1947.

Since that date Dr. Kayser has not only expanded his museum but opened two branches; one in Los Angeles which is both west coast branch of the Seminary (The University of Judaism) and also the Jewish Museum; and the other in the Jewish Center in Miami Beach, Florida. He has made over 150 out-of-town exhibits in the most important provincial museums in the country.

Abraham Neuman to Speak At Friday Services, Jan. 9th

Dr. Abraham A. Neuman, President of Dropsie College for Hebrew and Cognate Learning, will be the guest speaker at Friday evening services on January 9th at 8:30 P.M. His topic will be "The World Mission of American Judaism".

Dr. Neuman, the honorary rabbi of Congregation Mikveh Israel, is editor of the Jewish Quarterly Review, trustee and chairman of College Committee, Gratz College, Philadelphia. He is revising editor of the Universal Jewish Encyclopedia.

DR. ABRAHAM NEUMAN

Outstanding as an author, his works include: *The Jews in Spain: Their Social, Political and Cultural Life During the Middle Ages; Cyrus Adlers A Biographical Sketch; Samuel Usque: Marrano Historian of the Sixteenth Century* and others. He received his training for Rabbi at the Jewish Theological Seminary of America.

Sisterhood Plans for '53

Mrs. Harold Lynton, former security analyst at Standard and Poor and more recently with the investment counsel firm of Douglas T. Johnston, Inc., will address Sisterhood at the next regular open meeting on Tuesday, January 27th, Her topic will be "An Investment Policy for Today". All members and friends are invited to partake of dessert luncheon at 1:00 P.M. immediately preceeding the meeting.

Mrs. Sigmund Siegel, president of Sisterhood, announces that a series of interesting meetings has been planned for the new year. These will be climaxed in April by a presentation of "The Jewish Home Beautiful". It is hoped that a large number of members will avail themselves of the opportunity to attend these worth while offerings.

Herbert Parzen to be Saturday Morn Guest

Rabbi Herbert Parzen will be the guest speaker at Saturday morning services, January 10th at 9:45 A.M. His topic will be "The Foundation of Judaism".

Rabbi Parzen has held important Conservative pulpits in the midwest and far west. At present, he is Director of the Department of Programs of the United Synagogue of America. Editor of the UNITED SYNAGOGUE REVIEW and of the RABBINICAL ASSEMBLY BULLETIN.

He is a member of the Editorial Board of CONSERVATIVE JUDAISM, and this journal is publishing a series of his articles discussing the Conservative Movement in America. In addition, he has contributed papers to various scholarly reviews as well as the Anglo-Jewish press.

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Benjamin Sack Honored At Testimonial Dinner

Close to 300 people were guests at the Benjamin Sack Testimonial Dinner held on the Belvedere Roof of the Hotel Astor on Sunday, December 14th. Members of the Board, the Congregation and friends of the honored guests were treated to an evening of interest and enthusiasm. The dinner was given on the occasion of the completion of five years of service as chairman of the Board by Mr. Sack and in recognition of his loyalty, devotion and activity on behalf of the congregation. Mr. Sack's stewardship was recognized and he and Mrs. Sack were honored for this wonderful work.

Consistent with the feeling of affection for Mr. Sack was the creation of a Benjamin Sack Fellowship at the Jewish Theological Seminary which will be a perpetual award to make it possible for students to engage in research at this institution.

A generous beginning was made towards the sum of $75,000. which is required to establish this fellowship and the committe is now at work to secure from other members of the congregation, who could not be present, their contributions which are so important to the work of the Seminary and to making this fellowship a reality.

The dinner was presided over by the Honorable Simon H. Rifkind one of the three co-chairmen of the Dinner Committee; the other two being Messrs. Morris Joffe and Isaac Liberman.

The program began with the lighting of the Chanukah candles by Cantor David Putterman who also led in the singing of the Chanukah songs. (Incidentally, the Menorah used for this ritual was an 18th century Polish model loaned to the dinner by the Jewish museum). This was followed by an invocation delivered by Rabbi Simon Noveck and the singing of the American and Jewish anthems. Grace for the dinner was led by Cantor Putterman.

Following the dinner, greetings were extended to the guests by Mr. Jacob Klein, president of the congregation, and Rabbi Noveck. At this point a highlight feature of the evening was a re-enactment of an Eternal Light radio program, "Chanukah in the Jungle". This was directed by the prominent NBC and Eternal Light artist, Roger de Koven and a distinguished group of Eternal Light actors together with Cantor Putterman and an accompanist. The setting for the show was the jungle areas of the last war.

Mr. Alan M. Stroock, chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Jewish Theological Seminary, delivered the main address and was followed by Judge Rifkind who dwelt on some of the specific activities of the Seminary. Mr. Milton Weill, on behalf of the Trustees and the congregation, presented Mr. Sack with a very beautifully inscribed Bulova watch and a silver case likewise inscribed. Judge Rifkind presented Mr. Sack with an illuminated scroll testifying to the many services rendered by the guest of honor to the congregation, the Seminary and to the entire American Jewish community.

Mr. Sack in accepting this tribute acknowledged them with the modesty that is characteristic of him, thanking all of the assembled guests for himself as well as Mrs. Sack. He gave a brief but succint account of his stewardship for the past five years with due consideration and thanks to all those who worked with him to make his chores lighter.

Mr. Sack dealt extensively, too, on the many activities of the Seminary, stressing in detail, the importance of adhering to priority of giving to institutions such as the Seminary, and urged all of his frends to join in sponsoring the important program of this institution. Mr. Sack received from the guests a very deserving and hearty acclaim.

Much credit for the success of this affair is due to the chairman and various members of the committee who were mentioned in the last issue of Bulletin, with particular thanks to Mrs. Phyllis Siegel, president of the Sisterhood and her predecesor in office, Mrs. Helen Wimpfheimer.

Those members desiring to participate in this memorable tribute to the Benjamin Sack Fellowship of the Seminary may send their contributions to the office of the Synagogue, in care of Mrs. Helen Pincus.

YOUTH NEWS

By DAVID ALAN RUTTENBERG

The program of activities of the Judah Halevi Society has been unusually enjoyable and inspiring this year. One of the most interesting functions planned was the recent trip to the Israel Exposition on Sunday, December 14th at 22 West 46th Street. The boys and girls present were taken on a personally guided tour throughout the entire exhibition. This included many exhibits concerning Israeli customs, dress and products that are principally raised in the young State of Israel. It was inspiring to see what has already been accomplished by the pioneers in the land of Zion.

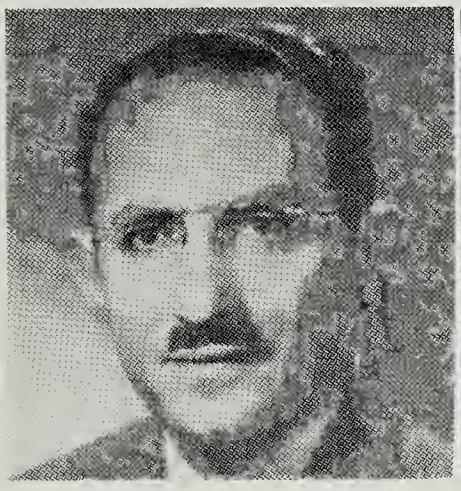
On Saturday, December 20th. the Society held its annual Chanukah dance in the Vestry of the Park Avenue Synagogue. Over 150 teen-agers attended this Y.S.O. sponsored dance. The excellent music was furnished by the "Blue Notes", a group of young musicians who really "hit the bop". The rythmic beat of the "Blue Notes" made dancing easy even for the beginners. Delicious refreshments rounded out a most wonderful evening of gaiety.

The next meeting of the Club was held on January 11th in the Vestry. A luncheon was served which was followed by an informative talk delivered by Mr. Jacob Klein, President of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

The Judah Halevi Society is still looking for more members. There are many exciting events planned for the balance of the year. It is not too late to join our group!

Milton Steinberg Lectures in Jewish Theology

January 19 Through February 9, 1953



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PROF. SHALOM SPIEGEL

Monday, January 19, 1953

Topic: **"What Is a Mature Concept of God?"**

Dr. Agus, spiritual leader of Beth El Congregation, Baltimore, Md. is a member of the Rabbinic Cabinet of The Jewish Theological Seminary of America. He is National Chairman of the Sabbath Revitalization Effort of the Conservative Movement and Chairman of the Joint Prayer Book Commission of the Rabbinical Assembly of America. He is author of "Modern Philosophy of Judaism" and "Banner of Jerusalem".

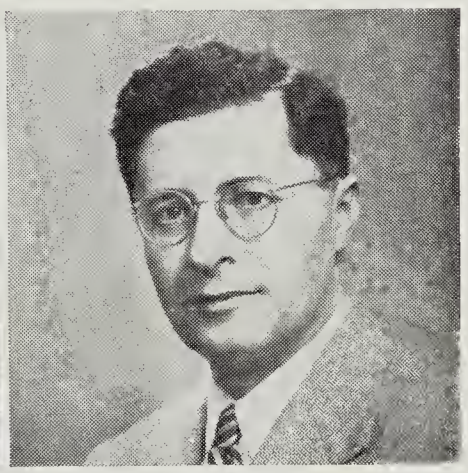
Dr. Kohn is Managing Editor of the Reconstructionist Magazine, author of "The Future of Judaism in America", and the forthcoming "Religion and Humanity". He is a noted theologian and has contributed widely to many periodicals. He is a past president of the Rabbinical Assembly of America and has lectured widely on the problems of religion, social justice and theology.

Monday, January 26, 1953

Topic: **"The Problem of Prayer"**

Dr. Spiegel is the William Prager Professor of Mediaeval Hebrew Literature at the Rabbinical School of the Seminary. Internationally noted as a scholar, author and lecturer, he is the author of "Hebrew Reborn" and studies in biblical literature such as "Ezekiel or Pseudo-Ezekiel" and "A Prophetic Attestation of the Decalogue". Doctor Spiegel has taught and lectured in Israel. His "Me-Aggadot-Ha-Akedah" was awarded the 1951 Louis Lamed Award.

RABBI BERNARD J. BAMBERGER



DR. BEN ZION BOKSER

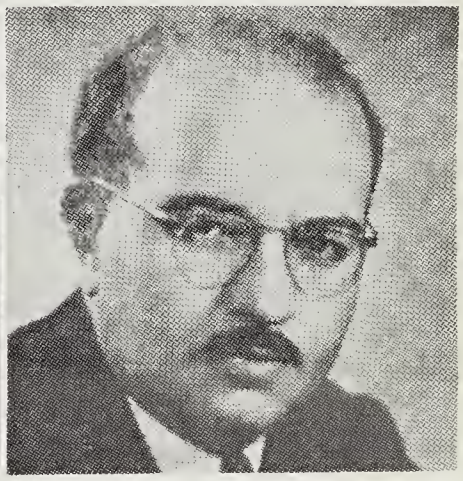
Monday, February 2, 1953

Topic: **"The Problem of Evil"**

Rabbi Bamberger of the West End Synagogue, New York City, was President of the Synagogue Council of America from 1950 to 1951. He is the author of "Proselytism in the Talmudic Era" and Fallen Angels". The editor of Reform Judaism Essays by the Hebrew Union College, he was also contributing editor on the Universal Jewish Essays and has written many articles and reviews.

Dr. Bokser, for the past sixteen years Rabbi of the Forest Hills Jewish Center, is Program Director of the Eternal Light Radio Program. During the last war he served as Chaplain in the United States Army, and in 1949 headed a Rabbinical Assembly Mission to Israel to study religious conditions in the Jewish State. Lecturer and Visiting Professor at the Jewish Theological Seminary, he is author of "The Legacy of Maimonides", and other books.

RABBI ROLAND B. GITTELSOHN



RABBI MORRIS ADLER

Monday, February 9, 1953

Topic: **"Judaism and Society"**

Rabbi Gittelsohn of the Central Synagogue, Rockville Centre, Long Island, is a member of the Executive Board and Chairman of Placement Committee of the Central Conference of American Rabbis. He served as Chaplain in the United States Naval Reserve during World War II. As an author his works include: "Modern Jewish Problems", and "Little Lower Than the Angels". He is an associate Editor on the Reconstructionist Magazine and National network preacher over the Church of the Air (CBS) and Message of Israel (ABC).

Rabbi Adler of Congregation Shaarey Zedek, Detroit, is author of "Selected Passages From The Torah", and a contributing Editor of "The Reconstructionist". Active in many civic and cultural endeavors, he has served as Chairman of the Law Committee of the Rabbinical Assembly, President of the Detriot Zionist Organization, and member of the Board of Governors of the National Academy for Adult Jewish Studies. He is National Chaplain AMVETS.

Parents Group Gives Chanukah Parties; Names Class Mothers

Under the auspices of the Parents' Association, several parties were held during the Chanukah season for the children of the Religious School of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

On Saturday evening, December 13th, the Parents' Association sponsored a supper party for about 200 youngsters. The Chanukah lights were kindled, and the meaning of this significant phase of the holiday was charmingly portrayed by a playlet given by several children of Class 1 under the direction of their teacher, Miss Goren. Square dancing followed with Jack Landman doing a splendid job as caller. Later in the evening, there was social dancing for the older children.

Mrs. Stanley Simon and Mrs. A. Stangel were responsible for the artistic, symbolic decorations. Refreshments were served under the supervision of Mrs. Bernard Grauer and her assistants.

Individual class parties were held on Sunday morning, December 14th. These featured entertainment, an exchange of gifts, and the traditional refreshments—pancakes and apple sauce. Mrs. Edward Joseph, chairman and her Class Mothers worked untiringly to make these festivities inspirational and in keeping with the spirit of the Festival of Chanukah.

The annual Book Fair sponsored by the Parents' Association was a great success due to the efforts of Mrs. George Heyman and her energetic committee.

Class Mothers have been appointed by the Parents' Association for the coming year. At all functions of the Religious School, the Class Mothers take an active part in planning and supervising parties for the children. Mrs. Edward Joseph is chairman of this branch of the activities of the Parents' Association. The following Class Mothers have been announced:

Primary Department:

Chairman, Mrs. Albert Cornell
Co-Chairman, Mrs. I. Weinstein

Class 2A...Chairman, Mrs. S. Mishkin
Co-Chairman, Mrs. J. Perlman

Class 3A...Chairman, Mrs. B. Berglass
Co-hairman, Mrs. J. Rosenblum

Class 3B....Chairman, Mrs. E. Foster

Class 4A..Chairman, Mrs. B. Teschner
Co-Chairman, Mrs. J. Edwards

Class 4B....Chairman, Mrs. L. Kotkin
Co-Chairman, Mrs. M. Mound

Hebrew Department:

Class 1A....Chairman, Mrs. A. Siegel
Co-Chairman, Mrs. R. Feig

Class 1B...Chairman, Mrs. B. Grauer
Co-Chairman, Mrs. J. Alberts

Class 2A.Chairman, Mrs. S. Waldman

Class 2B...Chairman, Mrs. A. Stangel
Co-Chairman, Mrs. B. Drukatz

Class 3A....Chairman, Mrs. E. Nalin
Co-Chairman, Mrs. B. Bienstock

Class 3B..Chairman, Mrs. M. Gelfand
Co-Chairman, Mrs. M. Stowe

Class 4.Chairman, Mrs. J. Rosenbloom
Co-Chairman, Mrs. R. Kogan

Class 5...Chairman, Mrs. M. Helpern

SCHEDULE OF ADULT CLASSES

Monday, January 5th .....8:00 P.M.

Cantor David Putterman will discuss "Music"

Monday, January 5th .....9:00 P.M.

Dr. Bernard Lander

"The Jewish Community Relations Groups — Are They Necessary?"

Monday, January 12th .....8:00 P.M.

Dr. Stephen S. Kayser
Curator of the Jewish Museum

"Architecture and Ritualistic Art"

Monday, January 12th .....9:00 P.M.

Mr. Isaac Toubin

"Jewish Social Welfare in America"

Hebrew, Yiddish and Choral Classes — 8:00 P.M.

SCHOOL NEWS

Religious School classes will re-open on the following dates:

Hebrew Dept. .....Saturday, Jan. 3rd
Jr. Congregation ...Saturday, Jan. 3rd
Primary Dept. .....Sunday, Jan. 4th

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HEBREW DEPARTMENT HONOR ROLL

With the completion of the first third of the school year, the Hebrew Department has placed the following students on the Honor Roll for excellence in Hebrew studies:

Hebrew 1A: Jeffrey Joseph, Peter Meltzer, Eric Weinberg.

Hebrew 1B: Stephen Botein, Inez Fields, Joel Grantz, Linda Grauer, Joan Rubinstein, Joel Schapiro.

Hebrew 2A: Michael Heyman, Richard Pesikoff, Jonathan Siegel, Jon Waldman.

Hebrew 2B: Susan Drukatz, Leona Giat, David Reichman, Joseph Weintraub.

Hebrew 3A: Peter Bienstock, Michael Freedman, Steven Kohn, Alan Mehlman.

Hebrew 3B: Susan Jacobs.

Hebrew 4: Michael Borenstein, Cecily Falkenstein, Marilyn Schneider.

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PRIMARY DEPARTMENT PERFECT ATTENDANCE

The following students in the Primary Department have had perfect attendance at the completion of the first third of the school year:

Class 1: Beth Brown, Joel Schore

Class 2: Irene Gross, Joseph Mishkin, Arlene Sobol, Irene Steiner.

Class 3A: Stephen Dell, Helen Jane Rosenblum.

Class 3B: Rose Forster, Jay Alan Gold, Joan Hoexter, Bonnie Kapland, Dail Metzger, Phyllis Mishkin.

Class 4A: Jonathan Charnas, Joan Golub, Joel Haber, Judith Linn, Jeffrey Mehlman, Susan Rosenberg, Sanford Seidman.

Class 4B: Margaret Buchler, Leslie Cornell, David Epstein, Ronnie Gold, John Lipkowitz, Maxine Metzger, Daniel Ritey, Rene Stern, Alan Weiss, Stephen Weinstein.

Men's Club Will Hold Annual Ladies' Night

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This special occasion is a token of appreciation by the Board of the Club to all wives who have "loaned" their husbands to the Club on Tuesday nights during the year. The Officers and the Board of the Club through this column extend a most cordial invitation to all wives of the Club members to celebrate with them on January 20th.

Yizkor Elohim

LOUIS SIMON METZGER

husband of Eleis Metzger
father of Lester Metzger, Mrs. Jack Hoexter, Mrs. Paulette Brandt and Mrs. Burton Fox

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Congregational Dinner-Meeting Scheduled for Sunday, Jan. 25th

The Annual Congregational Dinner-Meeting will be held on Sunday evening, January 25th at 6:00 P.M. in the Vestry Room. The Synagogue is making it possible for members to attend the dinner, which will include cocktails and hors d'ocuvres, at the nominal price of $3.25 per person.

A social as well as informative meeting is being planned under the chairmanship of Mrs. Sigmund Siegel. Members will be given an opportunity to express their opinions on various aspects of Synagogue management and services.

Mr. Benjamin Sack, outgoing Chairman of the Board of Trustees, will present his annual report.

The guest of honor for the evening will be the outgoing Vice-Chairman, Ezra Cohen. (Mr. Sack was recently honored at a special testimonial dinner). The new officers for the following year will be installed on this occasion.

Reservations should be made as early as possible as table space is limited.

Young Marrieds Plan Gala Social Evening For January Meeting

The Young Marrieds cordially invite all the young couples affiliated with the Synagogue to join their group. The next meeting will be a social evening on Tuesday, January 13th, at 8:30 P.M. in the Vestry. There will be cards, games, and many surprises. Hosts for the evening will be the Robert Greensteins and the Mel Ringlers.

On February 10th in celebration of Brotherhood Week, the Rev. Jesse R. Stitt, Minister of the Village Presbyterian Church will be the guest speaker. Members of the church's Young Married group will be special guests.

At the December meeting, Dr. Joseph Ben Yohannen, Advisor on Ethiopian Affairs to the United Nations, was the guest speaker. A large group was present to hear him describe the mores and customs of the Fallasha community in Ethiopia.

Mazel Tov

TO Mrs. Philip Mittenthal on the Birth of a Grandson.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Bangser on the Birth of their son.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Saul Horowitz on their 30th Wedding Anniversary.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Charles Abrams on their 63rd Wedding Anniversary.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Harry Altmark on their 45th Wedding Anniversary.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Bernstein on the commission of their son, Ensign Edward Robert Bernstein.

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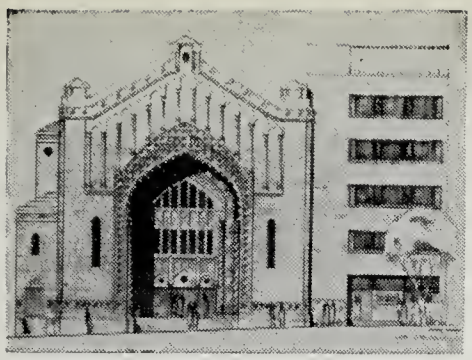

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Congregational Dinner Set for January 25th

The annual meeting of the Park Avenue Synagogue will take place, Sunday evening, January 25th, in the Vestry rooms.

For the past five years, a congregational supper and get together affair has been arranged under the supervision of the Sisterhood, which this year will take place at 7 P.M.; the charge for the supper is $3.25 per person, which is considerably less than the actual cost; the difference being made up by the congregation.

We hope you will make a special effort to attend the congregational supper, so that the members may get to know each other better and meet many whom they have not known heretofore and particularly new members. One of the objects of our congregation may thus be realized, that of encouraging closer relationship and friendship in the Synagogue.

The annual meeting following the supper is a must for every member. We have only one meeting a year, in which all the members particpate and if the members show a real interest in the annual meeting, I shall try to encourage a new system calling for additional congregational meetings during the year.

I say this meeting is a must for each member, because loyalty to our congregation demands that you participate not only in the religious services, but also in its business affairs and for that reason we are most anxious that you be present at this meeting.

At this meeting, the most important business of the evening will be the election of officers for the ensuing year; the election of members of the Board of Trustees and hearing reports from the heads of all the subsidiary organizations of the congregation.

In addition each member has the right—

a—to criticize any of the officers on the Board of Trustees, if he feels aggrieved at any act of theirs.

b—to criticize any part of the administration of the affairs of the congregation.

c—to suggest such changes as he considers necessary and proper or to the best interests of the congregation.

d—to give expression to any thought or idea that he thinks may be helpful to improve the conduct or management of the synagogue or its affairs.

Won't you do your best to attend the supper and annual meeting?

There are many members whom I do not personally know and I would like to greet each one personally. If you are equally as anxious to meet your president, here is your opportunity.

A large attendance will be an incentive to the Officers, members of the Board, Advisory Council, Rabbi, Cantor and myself to further exert our efforts in all directions to make the Park Avenue Synagogue a leader in Jewish affairs.

JACOB KLEIN *President*

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Rabbi Noveck will discuss:
"Inside Jewish U. S. A."

Saturday Morning, January 17th .....9:45 A.M.

Rabbi Noveck will preach

Friday Evening, January 23rd .....8:30 P.M.

Professor Albert Saloman will discuss:
"Jung's Attack on Job"

Saturday Morning, January 24th .....9:45 A.M.

Rabbi Noveck will preach

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message from the President

Excerpts from President Jacob Klein's address at the Testimonial Dinner honoring Benjamin Sack are reprinted here.

For five years Ben Sack has devoted himself wholeheartedly, unselfishly, tirelessly, patiently and kindly, without thought of reward not only to the Park Avenue Synagogue but to the Jewish Theological Seminary and to many other philanthropic endeavors . . .

You who have had intimate and close association with Ben Sack know that he is extremely modest, but you don't know how adamant he was in not wanting any recognition for the wonderful work he has done . . .

Ben, I know that you have known Justice Cardozo, formerly Chief Justice of the New York State Court of Appeals and afterwards an associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court and you, as well as we know how modest a man he was.

While Judge Cardozo was the Chief Justice of the New York State Court of Appeals, a Testimonial Dinner was tendered to him by the New York County Lawyers Association and it was just as difficult to get him to agree to a dinner in his honor, as it was to get you to do so, and after an evening devoted entirely to praising the Judge, he rose to reply and so that you, Ben, will feel at ease, I am going to read to you, the first four and the last six linees of his address.

He began as follows:

> "Only great luck or great merit could give a man such a greeting as has come to me tonight. If I know in my heart of hearts that luck is the efficient cause, I prize the greeting none the less".

Great luck was not in your case the reason for this greeting, but great merit is. And in closing, the Judge said:

> "I must close as I began, with words of greatful appreciation. Only the other day I was reading a new volume of the letters of Henry James—the letters to Edward Benson. He starts them by saying: "I am singularly accesible to demonstrations of regard".

and then the Judge goes on to say:

> "Perhaps that is a confession. Perhaps it is an avowal of weakness. I make it without shame".

We all hope you will feel the same way when this evening is over.

King David about 2000 years ago wrote a Psalm No. 128, which is so applicable to you. I want you to listen to it.

> "Happy is everyone who feareth the Lord and walketh in his way
> When thou shalt eat the labor of thy hands, happy thou shalt be and it will be well with thee
> Thy wife shall be as a fruitful vine, in the recesses of thy house
> Thy children like olive plants round thy table
> Thus is a man blessed who feareth the Lord
> The Lord bless thee out of Zion; may you behold only good in Jerusalem all your life
> May you behold your children's children, peace be with Israel".

These are among God's choicest blessings. May he continue to shower you, Freda and your family with the blessings of long life, good health and happiness.

letter to the Rabbi

Rabbi Noveck received the following letter from the Chairman of the Board of Editors of "Judaism", a new journal of Jewish life and thought. He has asked us to reprint it here knowing that a number of the members of the Park Avenue Synagogue will be interested in this type of Journal.

Dear Rabbi Noveck:

Undoubtedly you have often been concerned, as have I, not merely with the low level of Jewish religious culture in America in general, but with the fact that very often our most intelligent and sensitive laymen are lacking in a knowledge and appreciation of the values inherent in Judaism. Even those who develop Jewish loyalties are frequently caught up exclusively in the area of organizational activities, civic defense, philanthropy and other elements of Jewish life which, in the truest sense of the term, are peripheral to the heart and essence of the Jewish tradition.

In launching the Quarterly, Judaism, our purpose was to intensify the loyalty and interest of at least a significant minority of American Jews, in the religion, philosophy and ethics of Judaism, by establishing a forum for creative thought dedicated to the survival of Jewish values in America.

As you know, JUDAISM is published on a tiny budget, which allows only for a modest honorarium to writers, the Editors serving as a labor of love. In fact, we have no funds for large-scale promotion, and must depend on those who cherish the same ideals as we do.

Knowing of your deep interest in the values to which the Journal is dedicated, I am writing to you and to a small group of other colleagues throughout the country in order to ask you to obtain a minimum of fifty subscriptions, at $3.00 each, from members of your congregation and other friends who are most likely to find the Journal of interest.

I know only too well how beset we all are with countless appeals from every conceivable type of cause. But I am hopeful that you will agree with me that the time has come to heed the injunction of our Father Jacob: "When shall I do something for my own household as well?"

Fraternally yours,
ROBERT GORDIS, *Chairman*
Board of Editors

Reminder

Don't Miss The Gala and Festive Occasion of The Year!

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"LADIES' NIGHT AT THE MEN'S CLUB"

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Tuesday Evening, January 20th

at 8:30 P. M.

in the Vestry

Dancing to the music of a

Society Orchestra

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Surprise Radio and Television Entertainers

and Special Refreshments.

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All members of the Men's Club
are most cordially invited
to bring their ladies.

No charge, of course.

YOUTH NEWS

By DAVID ALAN RUTTENBERG

The Judah Halevi Society, in cooperation with the Park Avenue Synagogue, sent two representatives to the second annual session of the United Synagogue Youth Convention that was held December 28th, 29th and 30th at the Hotel Willard in Washington, D. C.

More than 600 delegates, including 180 from the New York area ,and delegates from 15 other States and Canada attended this convention. Michele Kaye and Jonathan Freedman, President and Vice-President of the Halevi Society were among the six boys and girls who attended the convention as guests of the Synagogue.

All the representatives were enthusiastic about the conference and the friendly hospitality offered them in Washington. The convention was addressed by many distinguished speakers, headed by the keynoter Dr. Max Arzt, Vice-Chancelor of the Jewish Theological Seminary. His theme was "Standards for Jewish Youth". After hearing Dr. Arzt's address, the convention broke up into various panel groups, which discussed many topics including ritual observances, standards for democratic living, and morals and ethics. There were also social activities which included guided sight-seeing tours of Washington, a most enjoyable and entertaining experience.

Col. M. L. Krulewitch Elected Chairman of Welfare Board

Colonel Melvin L. Krulewitch, a member of the Board of Trustees, was elected Chairman of the National Jewish Welfare Board's New York Council succeeding Mr. Frank L. Weill. The National Jewish Welfare Board is the parent organization of the Y.M. and Y.W.H.A.'s throughout the country and serves Jewish soldiers, sailors, airmen and marines throughout the world.

Colonel Krulewitch is the highest ranking officer of the Jewish faith in the United States Marines and is one of the five living Marines who fought both at Belleau Wood in 1918 and Iwo Jima in 1945. He is a member of the Board of Directors of the 92nd Street Y.M. and Y.W.H.A.; Columbia University Alumni Athletic Committee, National A.A.U. Wrestling Committee and commands the senior division staff of the Marines in the New York area.

Memorial Fund Receives New Pledges

Mr. and Mrs. S. F. Victor have made a contribution of $1000 for a memorialization of Adolf Josephs on the Founder's Plaque.

Additional contributions have been received in memory of the late Organist, Isidor Geller from one of the members of the Board of Trustees, and from the Judah Halevi Society.

Also, in memory of Mrs. S. Theil, a generous contribution was received from Madeline and Leonard Friedman.

Mr. and Mrs. Solomon Green have contributed $1000 and are entitled to a place on the Founder's Plaque.

The Senior League of the Park Avenue Synagogue have increased their pledge from $5000 to $10,000.

Emanuel Hochman has made a contribution of $1000.

In addition to the contributions already printed in previous issues of BULLETIN, the Milton Steinberg Memorial Fund is happy to announce the following donations:

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SCHOOL NEWS

"Federation Sunday" will be observed by the Religious School on January 18th. On this day, the students will complete a unit of study on "Tzedakah" with particular reference to the work of the various agencies supported by Federation. Each student will be provided with a special envelope so that he may make a personal contribution to the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies of New York and thereby learn the meaning of actual giving.

In previous years, the Junior Congregation Synagogue Council has allotted its Keren Ami funds, at the conclusion of the school year, to many philanthropic causes including Federation. This practice will be continued in June 1953, but it was felt that the work of Federation is so significant and wide in scope that each child in the school should be familiar with Federation and should be given an opportunity to participate in its work.

Senior League to Hear Rabbi Speak Jan. 22nd

Rabbi Noveck will address the Senior League at its next open meeting on Thursday evening, January 22nd at 8:30 P.M. in the Vestry. His topic will be "What's Ahead for Jewish Youth". Rabbi Noveck has recently returned from an extensive lecture tour and his observations of youth activities in other parts of the country will be of great value to the Senior League as affiliates of the Young Peoples League Division of the United Synagogues of America.

Following a question and answer period, there will be a social hour with refreshments served. The Co-chairmen for the evening will be Ruth Katz and Bob Barzilay.

A game and dance night has been scheduled by the League for Sunday evening, February 1st, at 8:30 P.M.

Security Analyst to be Speaker for Sisterhood

Mrs. Harold Lynton, former security analyst at Standard and Poor and more recently with the investment counsel firm of Douglas T. Johnston, Inc., will address Sisterhood at their open meeting, Tuesday, January 27th at 1:00 P.M. She will discuss "An Investment Policy for Today".

In order that those who live as Conservative Jews, might become thoroughlyly informed with the practices of Orthodox and Reformed Jewry, Sisterhood has been fortunate in securing two of the most outstanding representatives of these denominations as speakers for their meetings on February 17th and March 17th. Rabbi Emanuel Rachman of Far Rockaway, one of the country's leading Orthodox rabbis, will present his theories at the first meeting and Rabbi Jacob Philip Rudin of Great Neck, one of the foremost rabbis in the Reformed group, will present his views at the second meeting. This series should prove interesting and informative.

Rehearsals are beginning for the awe inspiring "Jewish Home Beautiful" to be produced by Sisterhood at an evening meeting in April. Those who have seen this presentation before know that it is an elaborate pageant which once viewed, will never be forgotten.

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Rev. Jesse Stitt to be Young Marrieds Guest

The Rev. Jesse W. Stitt, minister of the Village Presbyterian Church, 139 West 13th St., N.Y.C. will be the guest speaker Tuesday Evening, February 10th, at 8:30 P.M. at the monthly meeting of the Young Marrieds in the Vestry Rooms of the Synagogue. Dr. Stitt, occupying this role as guest during part of a Brotherhood Week Observance, will favor the Young Marrieds with his own experiences of inter-religious work, and the success of a Church which offered its facilities to a Jewish Congregation.

Four years ago, when the Village Temple was without home, Dr. Stitt offered the church to Rabbi Julian F. Fleg. Today outside the Georgian church there stand two signboards. One says: "The Village Temple. Service, Friday evening". The other says: "The Village Presbyterian Church. Service, Sunday morning".

Both congregations carry on their programs in the same building, and they often participate in one anothers' social events and, on occasion, hold joint services. Together they have inaugurated a community program for children, caring for more than a hundred youngsters, members of the Jewish, Catholic and Protestant faiths.

Dr. Stitt, commenting on the critics of this joint religious program, maintains that the critics have been silenced because it has been found that the two groups can work together, both understanding the basic differences, each maintaining its own traditions.

The Young Marrieds urge all members of the Synagogue to plan now to attend this special meeting as part of their own observance of BROTHERHOOD WEEK.

Yizkor Elohim

ANNE LEVIN
mother of Harold Levin

CHARLES WEILL
husband of Rose Weill
father of Milton Weill,
Fred Weill, Irving Weill
and Mrs. Ezra Cohen

JOSEPH RUBONOW
brother of Mrs. M. B. Picker

SCHEDULE OF ADULT CLASSES

Monday, January 19th .....8:00 P.M.
Miss Dvora Lapson,
Jewish Education Committee
will discuss: "The Dance"

Monday, January 19th .....9:00 P.M.
Dr. Jacob B. Agus,
Rabbi Congregation Beth El
of Baltimore, Md.
and
Dr. Eugene Kohn,
Managing Editor of
"The Reconstructionist"
will discuss:
"What is a Mature Concept of God?"

Monday, January 26th .....8:00 P.M.
Mrs. Temina N. Gezari,
Jewish Education Committee
will discuss: "The Drama"

Monday, January 26th .....9:00 P.M.
Professor Shalom Spiegel,
Jewish Theological Seminary
will discuss:
"The Problem of Prayer"
Hebrew, Yiddish and Choral Classes — 8:00 P.M.

Mazel Tov

TO Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Howard Katz on their 19th Wedding Anniversary, December 31st.
TO Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bennet on their 25th Wedding Anniversary, January 8th.
TO Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Holzman on their 25th Wedding Anniversary, January 10th.
TO Mr. and Mrs. Oskor Mayer on their 20th Wedding Anniversary, January 21st.
TO Dr. and Mrs. L. L. Shapiro on their 25th Wedding Anniversary, January 22nd.
TO Mr. and Mrs. Gerard Gerson on the Birth of their Daughter, Louise on December 16th.

Men's Club

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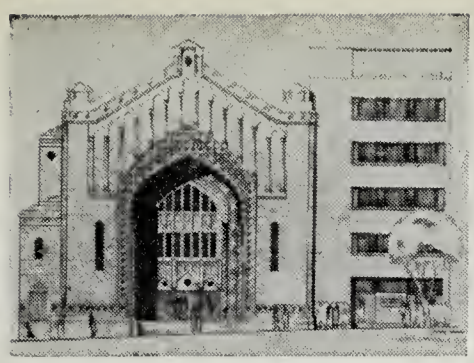
to all wives who have "loaned" their husbands to the Club on Tuesday nights during the year. The Officers and the Board of the Club through this column extend a most cordial invitation to all wives of the Club members to celebrate with them on January 20th.



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Cantor to Inaugurate Jewish Music Month

In observance of Jewish Music month, the entire service on Friday evening, February 6th will be a special musical program. Cantor Putterman will conduct the service and deliver a talk on "Congregational Singing. Traditional—Good and Bad".

In discussing this controversial subject, he will attempt to clarify the point of view and feelings of the cantor in this important part of Jewish worship.

Following Cantor Putterman's talk there will be an Oneg Shabbat in the Vestry and a question and answer period, where the cantor may be consulted on many phases of this topic.

Men's Club Arranges Brotherhood Program

This year the Men's Club will celebrate Brotherhood Week in a completely different manner. The meeting on Tuesday, February 17th will be the occasion for honoring leading lay representatives of the Protestant, Catholic and Jewish faiths.

At that time they will receive special citations from the Men's Club acknowledging their particular accomplishments, especially in the cause of interfaith activity and understanding.

Additional information as to who will be the recipients and more details about the meeting will appear in the next issue of the BULLETIN. Meanwhile, all men are asked to mark February 17th down as a "must", for it will be an evening they will not want to miss.

Jewish Theology Series To Continue in February

Rabbi Bernard J. Bamberger, of the West End Synagogue, New York City, and Dr. Ben Zion Bokser, Rabbi of the Forest Hills Jewish Center, will deliver the third lecture in the series of Milton Steinberg Lectures in Jewish Theology on Monday evening, February 2nd at 9:00 P.M. They will discuss "The Problem of Evil".

On February 9th, Rabbi Roland B. Gittelsohn of the Central Synagogue, Rockville Centre, Long Island, and Rabbi Morris Adler of Congregation Shaarey Zedek, Detroit, will discuss "Judaism and Society". This will be the final lecture of the series which was established by the Committee on Adult Education, in 1951, to carry on the great interest of Rabbi Steinberg in Jewish Theology.

Following this series, Rabbi Noveck will continue with his lectures on the Contemporary American Jewish Community. On February 16th, the Rabbi's topic will be "The Religion of the American Jew—The Role of the Synagogue".

Rabbi to Give Report On Education Survey

Rabbi Noveck's topic for Friday Evening, January 30th will be "Are American Jews Losing Their Intellectuality?"

Rabbi Noveck in his recent trip through the mid-west, California and the southwest, not only served as an "Ambassador of Good Will" on behalf of the United Synagogue and Jewish Theological Seminary but was particularly interested in the status of adult Jewish education in America.

He surveyed the adult educational programs of more than twenty congregations, spoke at the University of Judaism in Los Angeles and before various Adult Study Groups, and met with the committees on Adult Education of these congregations.

On Friday the Rabbi will discuss such questions as :What is the "Jewish I.Q." of the average member of a Conservative Congregation; what percentage of each congregation is engaged in formal Jewish study; what are the causes for the lack of interest in this area and what are the new techniques and trends in Adult Jewish Education that are emerging throughout the country?

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday Evening, January 30th ..... 8:30 P.M.
Rabbi Noveck will discuss:
"ARE AMERICAN JEWS LOSING THEIR INTELLECTUALITY?"
The Report of a Mission

Saturday Morning, January 31st ..... 9:45 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach

Friday Evening, February 6th ..... 8:30 P.M.
Cantor Putterman will discuss:
"Congregational Singing, Traditional—Good and Bad"

Saturday Morning, February 7th ..... 9:45 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach

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letter to the Rabbi

Dear Rabbi Noveck:

We are happy to extend our invitation to you and to the members of your congregation, to be our guests. The occasion is a unique interfaith event to be held at Central Synagogue, at 55th Street and Lexington Avenue, on Sunday, February 15th, at 4 P.M.

This event will be the first New York performance of a Cantata "The Songs of Amos". The text for this Cantata is taken from the Book of Amos as arranged by the Rev. Dr. John J. Moment, of Plainfield, New Jersey. The setting is to the traditional Hebrew tunes of the Sabbath and the festival ritual of the Synagogue. With this work Dr. Garden has brought the wealth of Hebrew musical liturgy to the attention of the Church and concert audiences.

Last May, the composer invited our Cantor Frederick Lechner, to sing the baritone part in the performance of this work in the Crescent Avenue Presbyterian Church, Plainfield, New Jersey, where Dr. Garden is the organist and musical director. Mr. Lechner was so impressed by the reception which the work received and the sprit in which it was written, that he suggested we invite Dr. Garden and her choral group and their congregation to be our guests for this performance in our own Synagogue.

Coming as it does during Brotherhood Week, and constituting an original contribution in interfaith relationships, this performance should be of interest to all. Several neighborhood institutions of the Christian faith, as the Central Presbyterian Church and the Christ Church Methodist, will join us on this occasion.

We feel that many of your members will be eager to join us and the membership of participating churches in this demonstration of interfaith activity on a high level.

With kindest regards,

Sincerely yours,
Rabbi David J. Seligson

UJA Women's Division Will Hold Opening Rally To Launch Campaign

The Women's Division of the United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York will launch its 1953 campaign at the traditional Opening Rally on Monday morning, February 9th in the Grand Ballroom of the Hotel Astor.

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, guest of honor heads the list of notables who will take part in the Rally. A unique feature of the program will be a dramatic presentation, "Destination: Life", narrated by the famed foreign correspondent, Ruth Gruber, and with a cast of distinguished personalities from four continents.

Here is an opportunity to hear from the lips of the rescued the gripping story of UJA's life-saving activities: the struggles of Israel's people, conditions among the 240,000 immigrants still living in temporary huts, life in the ghettoes of North Africa — some of the worldwide needs that make support of UJA a "must" in 1953.

Sisterhood has pledged its cooperation to the forthcoming campaign, and Mrs. Benjamin Sack has been appointed UJA Chairman. To secure a ticket to the Opening Rally (a non-fund-raising event) give her your name and volunteer your services as a worker. And remember—when you are asked to give later on, give gladly and generously. Every gift means a Jewish life saved.

SCHOOL NEWS

Open School Week will be observed in all Religious Schools in Greater New York during the week beginning February 1st. On that day, the parents of the Primary Department students are invited to attend classes, meet the teachers and avail themselves of the opportunity to observe the work done in the class.

Hebrew Department classes will be open to the parents throughout the week, but parents are particularly urged to visit the school on Saturday morning and join the Junior Congregation in worship at 11:00 A.M.

New Year of Trees

Tu Bishevat, the New Year of the Trees, will be celebrated by the students of the Religious School on January 31st. The holiday, which marks the beginning of spring in Israel, is called Hamisha Asar Bishevat which, in Hebrew, means 15 days in Shevat. Since in Hebrew the letters of the alphabet also have numerical value, the letter Tes (T) being number 9 and the letter Vov (U) being number 6, when these two letters, TU, are put together they number 15, the holiday is also called Tu Bishevat.

Throughout the centuries, while the Jews were away from Palestine, they continued to observe this agricultural holiday, a Jewish Arbor Day. The students will remember the day by enjoying special holiday fruits; dates, figs and bokser. Each class will also plant a tree in Israel through the Jewish National Fund. Many of the students will plant individual trees in honor of themselves or their parents.

Mazel Tov

TO Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Liberman on the Engagement of their daughter.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Donald Schlesinger on the Birth of their son Gary Howard.

YOUTH NEWS

By DAVID ALAN RUTTENBERG

The Judah Halevi Society is rapidly becoming one of the popular Youth Groups in the Park Avenue Synagogue. With its educational program combined with fun and entertainment for its members, this achievement is readily understandable.

On January 11th, a joint meeting of our group was held with the Halutzim, the younger teen-agers of the Synagogue. At that time, there was an interesting discussion on the observance of Kashrut. The subject was presented by Mr. Jacob Klein, President of the Park Avenue Synagogue, and the discussion was ably led by Mr. Sanford Hahn, our guidance counselor, and Andy Twersky, one of our members, both of whom acted as moderators. Judging by the many enthusiastic and thought-provoking questions asked by the avid listeners, such a meeting would be worth repeating.

On January 18th, Michele Kaye, our President, was hostess at an open-house party held at her home. All those who attended had an enjoyable time.

The scheduled meeting for the end of January has been cancelled. We realized that it would conflict with mid-year exams. (O', woe unto all students). Good luck to all of you during this trying period!

Several members have expressed curiosity concerning the origin of our name. The answer is a simple one. Last year, when the Brandeis Society was considering joining with the older group, many suggestions were made as to the name for the new Club. The names of several prominent Jewish scholars were proposed and after a long and deliberate consideration, that of Judah Halevi was chosen.

Jehudah Halevi was a great nationalistic poet and philosopher. He was born in 1086 in Spain and was regarded as a master of the Hebrew language and a learned Talmudic scholar. His skill as a physician was also recognized but it was because of his fame as a great poet that he is remembered today. His poems and songs, expressing the national spirit of Israel have won him everlasting acclaim. It is no wonder, therefore, that his name was selected for our Club.

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to send them to us. More news, next month. Meanwhile, let's see you at our meetings.

Dr. Rose Franzblau Will be Guest Speaker At Parents' Services

The Parents Association will conduct the Friday evening services at the Park Avenue Synagogue on February 27th at 8:30 P.M.

Dr. Rose Franzblau, well known psychiatrist and columnist for the New York Post, will be the guest speaker. The Parents Association has been most fortunate in securing the services of such an interesting and able speaker. Her vast experience in the field of psychiatry and newspaper work on "Human Relations" should insure a stimulating evening. After the services, a symposium will be held in the Vestry with audience participation.

Mrs. Leon Klein and Mrs. A. Stangel attended the Jewish Education Association dinner as delegates of the Parents Association. The dinner was held by Federation on January 22nd at the Commodore Hotel.

Plans are underway for a *Purim* Workshop to focus attention on "Purim at Home." Under the capable chairmanship of Mrs. Stanley Simon, a pamphlet is being prepared to aid in the explanation of decorations, music, food and customs appropriate to the observance of the holiday. The anual *Purim* carnival and class parties for the children of the Religious School will also be held. More complete details will appear in the next issue of BULLETIN.

PULPIT NOTES

On Saturday morning, February 7th, Nelson Ruttenberg, member of the Board of Trustees and member of the BULLETIN committee will have the maftir. He will read the prophetic portion from the 6th Chapter of the Book of Isaiah.

SCHEDULE OF ADULT CLASSES

Monday, February 2nd.....8:00 P.M.
Samuel J. Citron
Jewish Education Committee
will discuss: "The Drama"

Monday, February 2nd.....9:00 P.M.
Rabbi Bernard J. Bamberger
West End Synagogue
New York City
and
Dr. Ben Zion Bokser
Rabbi, Forest Hills Jewish Center
New York City
will discuss:
"The Problem of Evil"

Monday, February 9th 8:00 P.M.
Harold Ribalow
Managing Editor, 'Congress Weekly'
will discuss: "Literature"

Monday, February 9th.....9:00 P.M.
Rabbi Roland B. Gittelsohn
Central Synagogue
Rockville Centre, L. I.
and
Rabbi Morris Adler
Congregation Shaarey Zedeck
Detroit, Mich.
will discuss:
"Judaism and Society"
Hebrew, Yiddish and Choral Classes — 8:00 P.M.

Parents' Association Mourns Passing of Ruth Helpern

The Parents Association has suffered a great loss in the sudden death of Ruth Helpern, one of its most loyal and devoted members.

Active in the organization since its inception, Mrs. Helpern served as Vice-President and Chairman of Hospitality, and was always ready to do her part for the organization she loved so dearly.

Those who were privileged to work with her on the Executive Board of the Parents Association, wish to record their profound sorrow at the untimely death of their beloved associate.

To her husband, Dr. Milton Helpern, and to her daughters, the members extend their sincere sympathy.

Rabbi Rachman to be Speaker for Sisterhood

Rabbi Emanuel Rachman, of the Congregation Shaary Tefila and the Jewish Center of Far Rockaway will address the Sisterhood on Tuesday afternoon, February 17th at 1 P.M. at their monthly Dessert Luncheon and Open Meeting.

Rabbi Rachman enjoys an enviable reputation as an outstanding scholar, a profound lecturer and an exemplary spiritual leader. He is a graduate of the Rabbinical School of Yeshiva University, Columbia University Law School and is a member of Phi Beta Kappa. He is presently a candidate for the Doctor of Philosophy Degree at Columbia University in the Department of Public Law. His thesis is on "The Making of the Israeli Constitution".

As a chaplain (Major) in the United States Army Air Force, he was decorated with the Oak Leaf Cluster. He taught thousands of chaplains and was military aide to the European Commander's Special Advisor on Jewish Affairs in behalf of D. P. problems. Rabbi Rachman has written many scholarly articles and is a contributing editor of *Menorah Journal*.

As Conservative Jews, it is most important to know more Orthodox and Reformed Judaism. Rabbi Rachman is one of the foremost and most popular protagonists of Orthodox Judaism.

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Rev. Stitt to be Brotherhood Speaker For Young Marrieds', February 10th

To help observe Brotherhood Week, the Rev. Jesse W. Stitt will be the guest speaker of the Young Marrieds, Tuesday evening, February 10th at 8:30 P.M. in the Vestry Rooms of the Synagogue.

Dr. Stitt, minister of the Village Presbyterian Church and well known for his participation on many religious radio and television programs, will discuss proven ways of maintaining "Brotherhood" amongst all religions. During the last four years Rev. Stitt's fame in dealing with interfaith has become widespread resultant from the major role he has played in the housing of the Village Temple under the same roof as the Village Presbyterian Church.

REV. JESSE STITT

In 1933, Dr. Stitt received his B.D. degree from Union Theological Seminary in New York City. Later the degree of Doctor of Divinity was conferred on him by the College of the Ozarks, Arkansas. He has been pastor of the Village Presbyterian Church since 1939. For two years he acted as president of the Manhattan Division of the Protestant Council of New York City and is at present. Chairman of the Committee on Evangelism and Special Services, and acting Chairman of the Committee on Radio and Television for the organization.

Since the successful union of church-temple within one sanctuary in 1949 Dr. Stitt, Rabbi Fleg, Rabbi Strome and Rabbi Block have received the blessings of the presbytery and the Jewish parent body as pioneers in a great project; have been invited to lecture before religious and civic groups in all parts of the United States, an act that they perform reverently in an attempt to inform everyone of the motto they have held before them: For Isaiah said, "My house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples".

The Young Marrieds extend an invitation to all members of the Synagogue to be present at this special meeting.

Abraham N. Geller Inducted As General Sessions Judge

Abraham Geller, a member of the Board of Directors of the Park Avenue Synagogue was inducted as Judge of the Court of General Sessions on January 5th.

Witnessing the induction were the seven other judges of the Court of General Sessions as well as many members and friends of the Park Avenue Synagogue. Milton Weill, President of Federation and a member of the Board of Trustees of the Synagogue, delivered an inspiring talk on Judge Geller's activities for Federation and for the Park Avenue Synagogue. He read the resolution of the Trustees praising Judge Geller and wishing him Godspeed in his new endeavors.

The Court of General Sessions, where Judge Geller will sit, disposes of more than 50 percent of the criminal work of the State.

Yizkor Elohim

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wife of Herman Ackman
mother of Lawrence

JENNIE GRAHAM
sister of Hattie Weinberger
and Bertha Davidson

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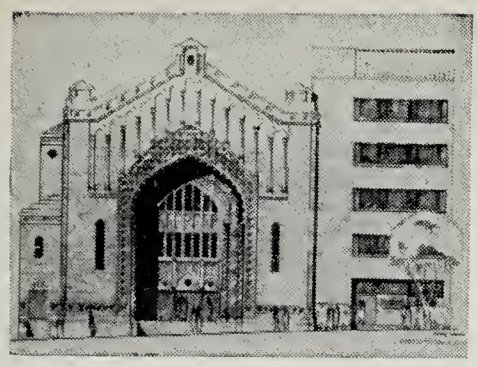

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Rabbi Noveck to Hold Symposium On United Synagogue Anniversary

On Friday evening, February 13th, the Park Avenue Synagogue will officially commemorate the 40th Anniversary of the United Synagogue with a symposium on the theme "United Synagogue — 40 Years Later". George Maislen, President of Congregation B'nai Israel in Freeport, Long Island, and formerly President of the Metropolitan Region of the United Synagogue, and Israel B. Oseas, member of the Executive Committee of the United Synagogue, formerly President of the Metropolitan Region of the United Synagogue and a member of the Board of Trustees of the Park Avenue Synagogue, will be guest speakers.

Rabbi Noveck will present the historical background of the founding of the United Synagogue in the days of Solomon Schechter.

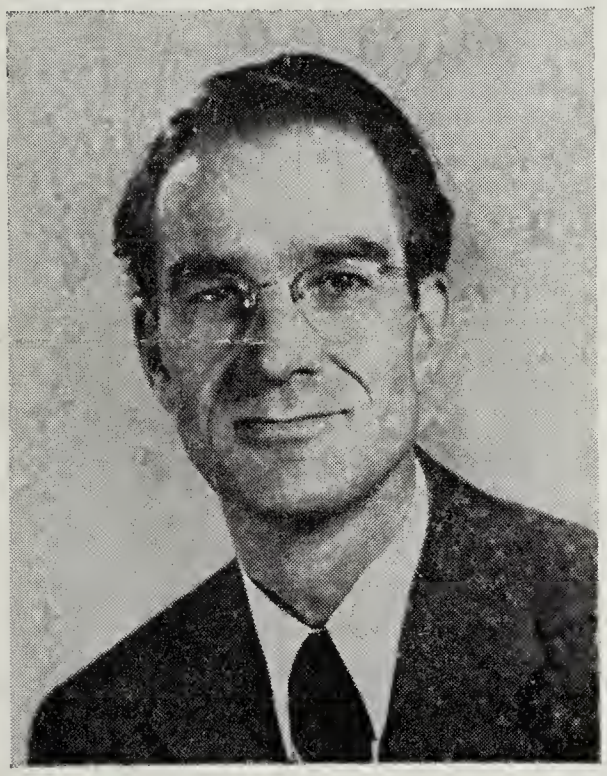
Following the formal presentations from the pulpit, there will be an open discussion in the Vestry on the Philosophy of Conservative Judaism and the relationship of the Park Avenue Synagogue to the United Synagogue.

Since the Park Avenue Synagogue is one of the members of the United Synagogue to whom many congregations, throughout the country, look for leadership the membership is urged to attend this symposium and clarify their views.

A new series of Adult Courses will commence on Monday evening, February 16th. A series of six lectures on "Reconstructionism" will be given by several well known exponents including: Rabbi Jack Cohen, Rabbi Harold Weisberg, Dr. Eugene Kohn, Dr. Ira Eisenstein, Rabbi Saul Kraft and Rabbi Elihu Michaelson.

The course, given for the first time in many years, will present an analysis of the approach and content of the Reconstructionist philosophy of Judaism on the present day scene.

At 9:00 P.M. Rabbi Noveck will resume his lectures on the Contemporary American Jewish Community which he inaugurated earlier this fall. (Further details appear elsewhere in the BULLETIN).



DR. BUELL GALLAGHER

CCNY Prexy to Speak At Services; Feb. 20th

Dr. Buell G. Gallagher, President of the City College of New York will be the guest speaker at Friday evening services, February 20th, at 8:30 P.M. He will discuss: "Brotherhood — 1953".

Dr. Gallagher, a native of Illinois received his bachelor of arts degree from Carleton College in 1925 and the bachelor of divinity degree from the Union Theological Seminary (New York) in 1929. Upon his graduation from the seminary, he was ordained as a minister in the Congregational Church. In 1943 Dr. Gallagher received the honorary degree of doctor of divinity from Oberlin College.

His educational experience includes the following: national secretary of the Interseminary Movement; President of Talladega College (Alabama); professor of Christian ethics, Pacific School of Religion; and a member of the staff of the United States Office of Education, 1949-1952. Prior to becoming Assistant Commissioner of Higher Education, he

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Congregation Elects Sanford Cohen Board Chairman at Dinner Meeting

Over 200 members attended the largest annual Congregational Dinner- Meeting in the history of the Park Avenue Synagogue on Sunday evening, January 25th. The guest of honor was Ezra Cohen, the outgoing Vice-Chairman of the Board of Trustees.

Amidst a warm, congenial atmosphere, the members participated in an interesting program including an invocation by Rabbi Noveck and Grace by Cantor Putterman. The meeting was called to order by the President, Jacob Klein, and the Report of the congregation was read by the outgoing Chairman of the Board, Benjamin Sack.

During the reading of the report many arms of the Synagogue, including the Men's Club, Sisterhood, and Senior League completed their original Milton Steinberg Memorial Fund pledges, and rededicated themselves to new contribution goals.

Following the report, Ezra Cohen read the report of the nominating committee and the new officers were elected and then inducted by Rabbi Noveck.

The following officers were elected for one year:

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Message from the new Board Chairman

Thank you Rabbi Noveck and members of the Park Avenue Synagogue. I have not prepared an inaugural address, nor do I intend to deliver one. On Tuesday, there was one delivered of importance to the nation.

There are a few matters that I should like to discuss with you that I am sure are of interest to you, even though some of them may not be Synagogue matters but concern the interests and well-being of Jews in these trying times. On our foreign policy. I would request you to give your financial interest to the United Jewish Appeal because it would be heart-warming for you and every member of the Synagogue to know that you are helping to alleviate the mental and physical suffering which has been reported in the daily newspapers over the years and especially now.

On the domestic front, we at Park Avenue Synagogue have a special interest in supporting the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies. Its President, Mr. Milton Weill, one of the Trustees and former Vice-Chairman of the Board of Trustees is giving all his time and I bespeak for him and myself your contributions to the fund-raising appeal which is now proceeding throughout the City and for which Mr. Victor Herwitz and I are acting as Co-Chairmen for the Synagogue. It is the hope of all of us that Park Avenue Synagogue will be enrolled 100% in this endeavor. It is traditional since the days of Peter Stuyvesant for the Jews of this City to take care of their own, and your contribution will help in supporting and maintaining Federation's medical and communal agencies.

Coming now to our own and principal project, we are ready to build the school next door which will be known as the Milton Steinberg Memorial Building in honor of our late Rabbi. Your financial help is still required. The edifice which is to be erected will be used for the Hebrew education of your children and your children's children and we should be aroused to its successful consummation.

There has been a succession of earnest and sincere workers who have contributed to the growth and activities of the Park Avenue Synagogue beginning with "Uncle Jacob" Friedman former President, Frederick Finn, our first Chairman of the Board of Trustees who took over the active administrative management of the Synagogue, who was succeeded by Judge Bernard Botein with Milton Weill as Vice-Chairman and to their successors Benjamin Sack, as Chairman who leaves that office tonight and who was honored at a dinner last month and Ezra Cohen as Vice-President who also retires and is our guest of honor tonight. All have given yeoman service and deserve the appreciation of our members.

For myself, I greet you and assure you of my earnest effort to continue, and I hope with more progress, the results that have been had in the past 17 years. As I take office as Chairman of the Board of Trustees, I adopt as my policy the solution of the problems that Ben Sack, in his report as the retiring Chairman, has indicated to you, are on our doorstep.

My thanks again for your confidence.

SANFORD H. COHEN

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(*The verses printed below were read by Sanford Cohen, the new Chairman of the Board of Trustees as part of his response after being officially installed by the Rabbi. We are reprinting them in the hope that they will be of interest*).

GO TO TEMPLE

If you want to be uplifted,
If you want to be in tune,
If you want to be contented
Every morning, night and noon;

If you want to love your neighbor,
If you want to be at ease,
It is very very simple
To enjoy all of these.

Do exactly what you read here,
Do it only once a week,
And you'll find that it is easy
To acquire what you seek .

Go to Temple, that's the answer,
Go to Temple, my dear friend,
And your heart will swell with gladness
When the service you attend.

How the atmosphere will lift you,
How the choir swell your heart,
How the sermon educate you,
If you only do your part.

How the prayers will overwhelm you,
As you read them line by line,
How your Soul will fill with gladness,
How you'll almost feel divine.

Try it, please, this Friday evening,
Or go Saturday at ten,
And I'm very very certain
That you'll surely go again.

All your nature will be gladdened,
And you really won't be bored,
'Cause you're praying to your Maker
And with God you're in accord.

E. H. WALLACH

Letter to the Congregation

To the Officers, Members of the Board, Rabbi, Cantor and entire membership of Park Avenue Synagogue:

In some way, I should like to say thank you for the beautiful tribute to me in the Synagogue BULLETIN which I read with a great deal of joy from my bed at Mt. Sinai. And at the same time, I do very, very, much want to say that I am so very grateful to everyone at the Park Avenue Synagogue for the many visits to me during my twelve weeks at the hospital and for the beautiful cards and flowers, but most of all for those wonderful friends who didn't come one or two weeks, but for as long as I was there at the hospital, and here at home.

If I ever needed proof of the goodness and faithfulness of all of you, it has been brought home to me time and time again, that I was so right when, eighteen years ago, Rabbi Steinberg made me one of you. I consider myself a very lucky girl to have been able to be home again, but most of all to be accepted and called a part of the Temple and to have you all as friends. I would like to send each one a special letter, but can't write as yet, and so will you all please accept my heartfelt thanks, and my love to and for each one of you.

Thanks to all of you,

JUNE ROSENTHAL

Message from the President

The fact that the Board of Trustees approved the action of the Nominating Committee in recommending me for re-election and that you have re-elected me is indeed an honor which I highly cherish. I pledge to continue to devote myself and my energies to the interests of our Synagogue.

To review the past year I have brought with me my diary. It contains 75 pages of entries which show the appointments, visits, letters, etc. etc. which took place between members of the synagogue and their families and myself.

The purpose of this activity was to try in my humble way as President to draw our membership closer together, to show our congregants that we thought of them in their joys as well as in their sickness and sorrow, and to make all our friends feel that the Park Avenue Synagogue was always ready to participate with them in the daily human events which punctuate our lives.

In all this I have been guided by my memories of our great and sainted Rabbi and friend Milton Steinberg. His humility and kindness were my constant inspiration.

One disappointing note which I feel compelled to report to you is my belief that we are gradually losing the art of attending synagogue. Two or three days a year do not meet the requirement.

We do everything possible to make our services attractive, informative, and spiritual. Imagine how discouraging it is for the Rabbi and the Cantor to look upon empty seats. They are entitled to your support — to your presence during the year. I urge you to re-examine the reasons why so many of you were absent from the synagogue last year and to resolve to give us the joy of your presence and to give yourselves the inner richness that our services can bring you.

This beautiful synagogue was erected not for the glory of any Rabbi, Cantor or individual or set of individuals. It was erected for the glory of God.

When the children of Israel marched triumphantly, after their liberation from Egypt and crossed the Red Sea, with head erect and flags flying, scriptures tells us that Moses and the children of Israel sang a song unto God with great ecstacy exclaimed,

> Zeh Eli Veauvehu, Elohay oovi, aromemhu
> This is my God, I will praise Him —the God of my fathers, I will extol Him.

God by himself, abiding in this wonderful edifice, cannot make it inspiring —but you and God can make it productive and a real house of God, which will be admired by all who come and see, and we too will be able to say with real religious ferver, this is my God, I will praise Him—the God of my fathers, I will extol Him.

Among the most satisfactory experiences for me last year, was my association with our Rabbi, who has servied the Congregation so ably and intelligently and from whom I learned much, as did those who came to hear him during the year—not only on the High Holydays. As for our Cantor, the beauty of his voice has always been recognized, and his constant service to the Synagogue, and his readiness and willingness at all times to meet the increasing demands of our large membership on his time and talents, is something I deeply appreciate. It has been a real pleasure to work side by side with both the Rabbi and the Cantor.

Altogether, however, it has been a good year. If in my small way I have contributed to the growth of the Synagogue and to a greater feeling of kinship among the members, I shall have cause to be happy, and the coming year, God willing, shall encourage me to strive to achieve even greater results. I have a sneaking suspicion that Milton Steinberg is the author of the paragraph in the Saturday Prayer Book with which I wish to close reading,

> "May nothing we do, mar the holiness of life by causing any fellow creature to lose the joy of living".

Let us resolve to keep this prayer in our hearts and minds at all times, and then we will all have cause to be truly grateful.

Congregation Dinner

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Honorary President, Jacob Friedman; Honorary Vice-President, Charles Weill; President, Jacob Klein; 1st Vice-President, I. M. Cohen; 2nd Vice-President, Archie Thurman; Treasurer, Arthur Ochs; Associate Treasurer, Dr. Harold Osserman; Executive Secretary, Emanuel Rosenthal; Chairman of the Board, Sanford H. Cohen and Vice-Chairman of the Board, Joseph Howard Katz.

TRUSTEES, to serve for 3 years will be: Nathan Appleman, George L. Armour, Ezra Cohen, Sanford H. Cohen, Harry Halbren, Jules Haft, Jacob Klein, Joseph I. Lubin and I. B. Oseas.

TRUSTEES for 2 years: Morris Joffe and Samuel Lemberg.

TRUSTEES for 1 year: Nelson Ruttenberg, Harry Sokolow, Archie Thurman and Mrs. Sigmund Siegel.

Following the induction the new Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Sanford H. Cohen, spoke (his speech is reprinted elsewhere in the BULLETIN), and the President, Jacob Klein, gave a brief message (also reprinted in this issue). A tribute to Ezra Cohen was presented and thus the meeting for 1953 closed on a pleasant and harmonious note.

Yizkor Elohim

DOROTHY FREEDMAN
wife of Dr. Samuel Freedman
FANNIE HERMAN
mother of Mrs. Samuel Wimpfheimer and Mrs. Lillian Glickman
CHARLES BICKARD

YOUTH NEWS

By DAVID ALAN RUTTENBERG

Now that mid-terms are over, and we hope successfully for all of us, the Judah Halevi Society is making plans for the remainder of the winter season. The Executive Board, under the leadership of our President, Michele Kaye, hopes to announce a definite program in the immediate future. The other members of the Executive Board include Jonathan Freedman, Vice-President; Sylvia Schneider, Secretary; William Popkin, Treasurer; Martin Gelfand, Chairman of Program and David Ruttenberg, Chairman of Publicity.

All teen-agers in the 15-17 age group who are interested should communicate with and join in the fun and excitement.

Our most recent affair was held Sunday afternoon, February 1st in the Vestry of the Park Avenue Synagogue. A "March of Time" movie about Israel was shown. A spirited discussion also took place in regard to the problems of our youth clubs, in which representatives of two Long Island youth groups participated.

We have received an invitation from the Brooklyn Midwood Jewish Center to attend a meeting of its youth group some week-end in the near future. As soon as definite plans have been made, we shall send notification.

Jonathan Freedman, our own "veep" has been chosen Vice-President of the Bronx-Manhattan Council of the U.S.Y. This is the organization of teen-age groups in Conservative Congregations who are members of the United Synagogues of America. Congratulations, Johnny!

There is also another teen-age group in the Park Avenue Synagogue for the 13-15 youngsters. They are called the Halutzim. Roger Waldman is the President, Lee Reichman is Vice-President, Mimi Segal and Star Kilstein are the Secretaries and Theodore Zucker, the Treasurer. Mr. Arnold Turetsky is the Leader of this group. They meet on Saturday nights. More about the activities of this group will appear in the next isue of the BULLETIN.

Mazel Tov

TO Dr. and Mrs. S. L. Winnick on the birth of their grandson, David Jonathan.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Asa Sokolow on their 10th Wedding Anniversary, January 31st.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Jules Kahn on the Engagement of their daughter, Carolyn to Mr. Albert Slomow.

TO Mr. and Mrs. O. Roy Chalk on the Engagement of their daughter, Barbara Ellen, to Mr. Henry M. Hubshman Jr.

TO Julius Guggenheimer on his 85th birthday, February 2nd.

Post Confirmands to Meet at Rabbi's Home, Feb. 15th

A gathering for the young people of the congregation who have been confirmed in recent years in the Synagogue will be held on Sunday morning, February 15th, at 11:00 A.M. at the home of Rabbi Noveck.

The purpose of this gathering is to give the Rabbi an opportunity to renew contact with these young people and give them a chance to discuss their problems with him. If sufficient interest is shown, the group will be organized to meet regularly with the Rabbi and guest speakers.

Adult Brochure Distributed To Rabbis Throughout U.S.A.

At the suggestion of Simon Green berg, Vice Chancellor of the Jewish Theological Seminary and the Executive Director of the United Synagogue, the Adult Education brochure of the Park Avenue Synagogue has been sent to more than 500 conservative rabbis throughout the United States.

The comprehensiveness, scope and high level of courses sponsored by the Committee on Adult Education so impressed the Vice-Chancellor of the Seminary that he urged the distribution of this brochure through the National Academy of Adult Jewish Studies.

SCHOOL NEWS

Boy Scout Sabbath

On Saturday, February 21st, Boy Scout Troop #600 will conduct the Junior Congregation Sabbath Service in the Vestry.

February is the month during which the birthdays of Washington and Lincoln are celebrated. It is, also, the month when "Brotherhood Week" is observed. This will give the scout troop an opportunity to discuss with the congregants the influence of Judaism on American democratic life.

Appointments

Victor J. Herwitz, Chairman of the School Board, has been appointed co-chairman for Manhattan by the Board of Education of the Metropolitan Council of the United Synagogue. This council coordinates the educational activities and voices the educational standards of the Conservative Synagogues in the metropolitan area.

Stanley Simon, Vice-Chairman of the School Board, has been made a member of the Board of Directors of the Jewish Educational Committee. This Committee, through its extensive educational program, has raised the educational level of all orthodox, conservative and reformed religious schools in the Greater New York area.

Girl Scouts

The Parents' Association, encouraged by the succss of the Boy Scout Troop, is organizing a Girl Scout group for youngsters between the ages of 10 and 13.

On Tuesday, February 10th, Mrs. Joseph Rubinstein, Deputy Commissioner of the Girl Scouts and mother of one of the Religious School students, addressed a meeting of parents in the vestry of the Synagogue. She outlined the scouting program and assisted in the preliminary preparations necessary for the formation of the troop.

Parents, whose daughters would like to join the Girl Scouts, are advised to call the School Office for further particulars.

UJA Chairman Urges Support for '53 Drive

"For hundreds of thousands of Jews in Eastern Europe, it is 1933 again. The whole treacherous pattern of anti-Semitism in Germany is now repeating itself in Russia and her satelites.

Hitler burned the Reichstag. Stalin hangs Slansky and arrests the best Jewish doctors in the land. Hitler roasted Jews in a furnace. Stalin starves them to death in Artic concentration camps. From Bible days on, dictators have known that killing Jews is a sure fire shock treatment for a population growing restless with hunger and corruption.

Even as these words are written, the Russians may already have started the trains rolling to Siberia. Already the prisons of Moscow are so full of Jews that colloquially the people call them 'synagogues'."

RUTH GRUBER

Because lives depend on us, and cash means life, Mrs. Benjamin Sack, chairman for the Sisterhood's 1953 United Jewish Appeal drive, urges all to give generously and volunteer their services to the Women's Division of the United Jewish Appeal.

United Synagogue to Hold 40th Anniversary Fete

The United Synagogue of America, the Federation of Conservative congregations on this continent representing the lay arm of the Conservative Movement, will celebrate the 40th Anniversary of its founding during the weekend of February 20th to 22nd.

The plans for celebrating this anniversary of the founding of the United Synagogue are rapidly maturing. The weekend of February 20-23, has been designated as the appropriate time for this celebration because it coincides with the date of the annual United Synagogue Sabbath.

The United Synagogue is presently embarked upon three major enterprises:

1. Its National Sabbath Observance Effort — to bring back the glories of the Sabbath into modern Jewish living.
2. Its Israel Project — to establish a cultural center in Israel; to assist in the building of synagogues; and to create instruments for inter-cultural exchange.
3. Its National Leadership Program — to foster and develop new lay leadership for the Synagogue and to assure the Synagogue its proper place in the Jewish community.

SCHEDULE OF ADULT CLASSES

Monday, February 16th.....8:00 P.M.
Rabbi Harold Weisberg
Society for Advancement of Judaism
will discuss: "The Revolution of Reconstructionism: Concept of Peoplehood"

Monday, February 16th.....9:00 P.M.
Rabbi Simon Noveck
will discuss: "The Religion of the American Jew— The Role of the Synagogue"

Monday, February 23rd.....8:00 P.M.
Rabbi Jack J. Cohen
Society for Advancement of Judaism
will discuss: "The Reconstructionist Approach to Jewish Education"

Monday, February 23rd.....9:00 P.M.
Rabbi Simon Noveck
will discuss: "The Religion of the American Jew—Beliefs and Practices"

Hebrew, Yiddish and Choral Classes — 8:00 P.M.

Israel Ambassador Launches Seminary Israel Institute

Israel's Ambassador to the U.S., Abba Eban, launched the second annual Seminary Israel Institute at ceremonies held at The Jewish Theological Seminary of America the evening of February 11th. The Seminary Israel Institute, a joint project of The Jewish Agency for Palestine and the Seminary, aimed at strengthening the spiritual and cultural bonds between America and Israel, will hold its 1952-53 sessions at a series of luncheon meetings each Tuesday, from February 17th through March 24th. Prior to each of the luncheon sessions, Dr. Hillel Bavli, Professor of Hebrew, will deliver a series of lectures entitled "The Religious Aspects of Modern Hebrew Poetry".

Among the distinguished scholars who will address the luncheon sessions will be Dr. Allen Nevins, Dr. Salo Baron, Dr. Jacob Robinson, Dr. Shraga Abramson, Dr. William F. Albright and Dr. Carl J. Friedrich.

Rabbi Rachman to Speak At Sisterhood, Feb. 17th

Sisterhood will present the first of a series of two lectures on "The Orthodox and Reformed Jew" at their next meeting on Tuesday afternoon, February 17th at 1:00 P.M. Rabbi Emanuel Rachman, an outstanding figure in Orthodox Jewry will be the guest speaker.

Rabbi Rachman, of the Congregation Shaary Tefila and the Jewish Center of Far Rockaway enjoys an enviable reputation as an outstanding lecturer, scholar and spiritual leader.

As Conservative Jews, it is most important to know more about Orthodox and Reformed Judaism. Rabbi Rachman is one of the foremost and most popular protagonists of Orthodox Judaism.

Parents Group Plan April Cocktail Party

The Parents' Association is continuing its current season with many diverse activities.

Plans are now under way for a cocktail party to be held by the Parents' Association on Sunday afternoon, April 19th from 4 to 7 P.M. More details will be announced in subsequent issues of BULLETIN. All moneys raised from this function will be donated to the Milton Steinberg Memorial Fund. Mrs. Edward Joseph, Chairman and her Committee, plan to make this event one of the highlights of the season.

Gallagher Service

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served as Assistant Commissioner for Program Development and Coordination in the Office of Education.

Dr. Gallagher is a frequent contributor to educational and religious journals. His writings include three books: "American Caste and the Negro College", "Color and Conscience: The Irrepressible Conflict" and "Portrait of a Pilgrim: A Search for the Chirstian Way in Race Relations".

Dr. Franzblau to be Parents' Guest Speaker

The Parents' Association will conduct the Friday Evening Service at the Park Avenue Synagogue on February 27th at 8:30 P.M. Dr. Rose N. Franzblau, noted psychologist, counselor and columnist, will be the guest speaker.

Dr. Franzblau, who holds a doctor of philosophy degree from Columbia University, has done extensive research in the field of racial differences. She is the author of "Race Differences in Mental and Physical Traits", published by Columbia University, and co-author of "The History of the National Youth Administration", published by the U. S. Government. As head of U.N.N.R.A., she has gained wide experience in the briefing and training division of U.N for all persons to be sent for foreign service.

She is well known not only for her outstanding work in the field of psychiatry but also for her thought-provoking column on "Human Relations" which appears daily in the New York Post. Aware of the many problems confronting teen-agers and their parents, the Parents' Association feels fortunate in securing Dr. Franzblau as the guest speaker.

Several members of the Parents' Association will participate in the reading of the Hebrew and English prayers. After the service, a symposium will be held in the Vestry where the audience will have an opportunity to take part in the discussion. Refreshments and a social hour will complete the evening.

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Men's Club Gives Special Citation

Dr. George Shuster, Telford Taylor, Irving Engel to be honored

The Men's Club will celebrate Brotherhood Week with a worthwhile and unusual program on Tuesday evening, February 17th.

A symposium on "Intergroup Relations in the United States and Throughout the World" will be led by Dr. George N. Shuster, Mr. Telford Taylor and Mr. Irving N. Engel. In conjunction with this program the Men's Club is presenting special citations to these three lay leaders for their outstanding contributions to the promotion of better understanding among all Americans.

Dr. Shuster, the President of Hunter College, is also Chairman of the National Committee on Segregation; a member of the Board of Trustees of the National Conference of Christian and Jews, representing the Catholic faith; and a member of the Board of Directors of Freedom House.

Mr. Engel, a noted lawyer and civic leader, is Chairman of the Executive Committee of the American Jewish Committee.

Mr. Taylor, a well known lawyer and Protestant leader, was a General in the United States Army, the Chief of Counsel for War Crimes, Office of Military Government, and the chief prosecutor of the Nazi leaders at the Nuremberg Trials.

All men are invited to attend this outstanding event and help do honor to General Taylor, Mr. Engel and Dr. Shuster. The meeting will begin promptly at 8:30 P.M.

Sisterhood to Sponsor Annual Purim Party

Following evening services and the reading of the *Megilah*, the annual *Purim* Party will be presented by the Sisterhood on Saturday evening, February 28th. The main feature of the gala occasion will be a delightful interpretation of Jewish wit and humor by the well known raconteur, Irving Davidson.

Mr. Davidson, a New York attorney, has made a hobby of gathering and preserving stories which express and interpret the character of the Jewish people. These he presents in a unique manner. A skillful master of repartee and walking storehouse of *bon mots*, he has had seventeen years experience in the entertainment field and has been social director for several seasons at various New York and Pennsylvania summer resorts.

Mr. Davidson served for five years as Principal of the Religious School of the Park Avenue Synagogue under the late Rabbi Steinberg. The congregation is assured of an entertaining evening and all members are invited to attend.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday Evening, February 13th .....8:30 P.M.
"United Synagogue Sabbath"
A Symposium

Saturday Morning, Feburary 14th .....9:45 P.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Jeffrey B. Semel

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Dr. Buell Gallagher,
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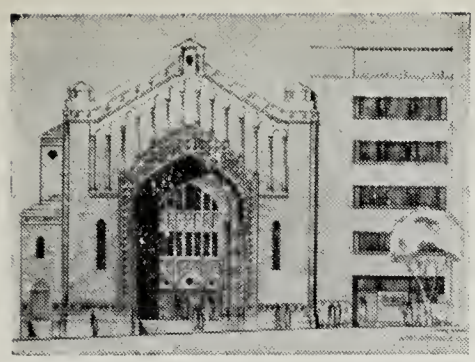
Bar Mitzvah of Martin Coopersmith



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Men's Club to Present Controversial Symposium For Sabbath Program

Friday evening, March 6th is Men's Club Sabbath in the Park Avenue Synagogue as well as in many others throughout the country. Several members of the Club, Joseph Howard Katz, Archie Thurman and Julian Jacobs, will participate in the service itself. Later at the Oneg Shabbat in the Vestry, other members, Victor J. Herwitz, Fredcrick W. Scholem and Sigmund A. Siegel, will present a symposium on the subject "The Rosenberg Case—Justice vs. Mercy!"

Mr. Herwitz, a former president of the Men's Club, is well known to the congregation, currently being the Chairman of the School Board; Mr. Scholem is a noted lawyer; and Dr. Siegel, an outstanding physician, is also husband of the President of the Sisterhood. The entire congregation is invited and particularly all members of the Men's Club with their families and friends.

Professor William Henderson of Barnard College will address the Men's Club at the next regular meeting of the Club on Tuesday, March 17th. He will discuss "The Crisis Facing The United Nations". Set aside the evening now!

Dr. Albert Salomon to Begin New Series of Adult Lectures

A new series of Adult Lectures given by Dr. Albert Salomon began on Monday evening, February 16th. The course which includes six lectures on "Great Books from the Wisdom Literature of the Bible" is given each Monday evening at 8:00 P.M.

The first two lectures on February 16th and 23rd were "Survey on the Books of Wisdom in the Writings" and "The Psalms".

On March 2nd, Dr. Salomon will lecture on "The Proverbs and Ben Sira" and on March 9th on "Job". Dr. Salomon is a member of the Faculty of the New School for Social Research.

Parents' Association to Hold Service, Dr. Franzblau Will be Guest Speaker

The Parents' Association will conduct the Friday Evening Service at the Park Avenue Synagogue on February 27th at 8:30 P.M. Dr. Rose N. Franzblau, noted psychologist, counselor and columnist, will be the guest speaker. Her topic will be "The Family Romance—How Can We Keep It Alive?"

Dr. Franzblau, who holds a doctor of philosophy degree from Columbia University, has done extensive work in the field of racial differences. She is the author of "Race Differences in Mental and Physical Traits", published by Columbia University, and co-author of "The History of the National Youth Administration", published by the U. S. Government. As head of U.N.N.R.A., she has gained wide experience in the briefing and training division of U.N. for all persons to be sent to foreign service.

DR. ROSE FRANZBLAU

She is well known not only for her outstanding work in the field of psychiatry but also for her thought-provoking column on "Human Relations" which appears daily in the New York Post. Aware of the many problems confronting teen-agers and their parents, the Parents' Association feels fortunate in securing Dr. Franzblau as the guest speaker.

Several members of the Parents' Association will participate in the reading of the Hebrew and English prayers. After the service, a symposium will be held in the Vestry where the audience will have an opportunity to take part in the discussion. Refreshments and a social hour will complete the evening.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday Evening, February 27th.....8:30 P.M.
Parents' Association Sabbath
Dr. Rose Franzblau will discuss:
"The Family Romance—How Can We Keep It Alive?"

Saturday Morning, February 28th.....9:45 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Richard Ruster

Saturday Evening, February 28th .....8:00 P.M.
Services and Annual Purim Party

Friday Evening, March 6th.....8:30 P.M.
Men's Club Sabbath
A Symposium on "The Rosenberg Case—Justice Vs Mercy!"

Saturday Morning, March 7th.....9:45 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Teddy Jochsberger

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from the desk of the Rabbi

On Saturday night, February 28th and Sunday, March 1st, we shall celebrate the joyous holiday of Purim. Purim marks the anniversary of the victory over Haman and the forces in ancient Persia that wanted to destroy our people. The Megillah or Scroll that we read tells the story of a remarkable Jewish woman who, risking her life and career, went before the King to plead the cause of her people. It was because of Esther's intervention that the day planned for the extermination of the Jewish people was turned into a day of joy.

In the course of Jewish history the Hamans have reappeared with ghastly regularity. Antiochus, Titus, Torquemade, Chmielnicki and Hitler, each in his own way tried to accomplish what Haman failed to do. Now exactly twenty years since Hitler came to power in Germany a new Haman has appeared. The Prague trials, the arrest of nine physicians in Moscow for alleged murder on behalf of a "Zionist plot", the severance of diplomatic relations with Israel are all but the prelude of what may become a full scale attack against the Jews of eastern Europe.

Rumor has it that daring plans are afoot secretly to rescue Jews from behind the iron curtain and bring them to Israel. Whether this be true or not, we surely cannot sit idly by during this period of crisis. More so than even in the days of Haman we need Mordecai and many Esthers to work for our people. More than ever before does the work of the United Jewish Appeal become vital and indispensable.

The Sisterhood of the Park Avenue Synagogue has always led the way in U.J.A. efforts for New York City. The women's campaign has now officially begun. The Synagogue U.J.A. Committee with Mrs. Benjamin Sack as Chairman and Mrs. William Karmiol as Co-Chairman are already hard at work.

Aside from preparing for the possibility of rescuing Jews from behind the curtain, there is the rising tide of anti-Semetic feeling in Arab lands. With violence increasing against the European quarters in Morocco and elsewhere, can the Jews be safe for long? During the coming year, 110,000 Jews already in Israel must be removed from camps to permanent homes. The tremendous program for sick and aged must continue. Children from the North African ghettos must be fed and newcomers to America must be given a helping hand.

Every woman in addition to her husband's pledge, should like Esther of old, do her share for the rescue of her people. Sanford Cohen, the new Chairman of our Board of Trustees put it very well in his acceptance remarks when he said that U.J.A. is part of the "Foreign Policy" of the Park Avenue Synagogue. I bespeak your cooperation with Mrs. Sack, Mrs. Karmiol and their Committee in this life saving activity.

RABBI SIMON NOVECK

UJA Women's Group Appeals for Funds

Everyone has been shocked and horrified by the new nightmare of terror that has begun for the Jews of Eastern Europe, and all want to do something to help these people in their hour of peril.

The 1953 campaign of the United Jewish Appeal Women's Division, has been put on an emergency basis because of the desperate crisis overseas. The success of this life-and-death campaign depends on immediate and all-out support.

Many more Jews could have been saved from Hitler if enough had been given, and in time. UJA must have funds to aid refugees fleeing from the Iron Curtain countries, to strengthen Israel as a haven for the persecuted and the homeless, and to step up all its world-wide life-building work.

Don't let Jewish lives be lost for lack of funds. Give to the UJA Women's Division campaign—and give *more* for the emergency. Help to get others to give, by volunteering as a worker.

SCHOOL NEWS

Megillah Reading

The reading of the *Megillah* for students of the Religious School will be held on Saturday, February 28th at 5:30 P.M. in the main Synagogue. Greggers will be distributed to all the students and the traditional hamentashen will be served at the conclusion of the service.

Parents of children both in the Primary Department and in the Hebrew Department of the School are invited to attend the service with their children.

Purim Carnival

The annual *Purim* Carnival will take place in the Vestry on Sunday morning, March 1st. The Vestry will be gayly decorated and the students will be dressed in the latest Shushan fashions.

A feature attraction of the morning will be a costume parade. The students, assisted by their teachers and the parents of the Holiday Workshop, have been preparing colorful and attractive costumes. Prizes will be awarded for the best costumes—the most original, the most appropriate, the most humorous and the most beautiful.

Class booths, with games of skill, will give contestants an opportunity to have much fun and win many prizes. All money raised at the carnival will go to the Keren Ami fund for distribution to philanthropic and charitable causes.

Girl Scouts

The first meeting of the Girl Scouts will be held on March 2nd. The troop has vacanciese for girls between the ages of 10 and 13. Parents who are interested are urged to call the School Office for full particulars.

Senior League to Hold March Cooktail Party

A surprise cocktail party, for members only, will be held by the Senior League at the home of Phil Winters on Sunday afternoon, March 1st at 3:30 P.M.

An open meeting was held on Thursday, February 26th in the Vestry. A formal program followed by a social hour and refreshments were the agenda for the evening.

Parents' Will Sponsor Parties for Purim, Plan Cocktail Party

The Parents' Association will sponsor a Cocktail Party on April 19th from four to seven o'clock in the Vestry of the Park Avenue Synagogue. The receipts derived from this affair will be contributed to the Milton Steinberg Memorial Fund.

Mrs. Edward Joseph, Chairman, and her committee, are already busily engaged in making plans for this function. There will be dancing, cocktails, hors d'oeuvres, and many attractive prizes. This promises to be a gala occasion. The membership and their friends are being given advance notice so that the date can be reserved.

Again this year, the Parents' Association hopes to make *Purim* a festival of rejoicing and inspiration for the children of the Religious School. Special *Purim* parties will be featured in the various classrooms, and traditional games, dances, and food will mark each party .

The Parents' Association is very proud of the latest achievement of one of its members, Mrs. Stanley Simon, who has prepared the pamphlet *"Purim's* Here". Mrs. Simon, who is Chairman for the U.P.T.A., has edited this outstanding booklet under the auspices of the Jewish Education Committee. The pamphlet, not only points out the meaning and significance of *Purim*, but also clearly explains directions for making *Megillahs*, masks, murals, and favors—so significant to the observance of *Purim*.

During the last week of February, Mrs. Simon and her committee conducted a Workshop in the Vestry in order to assist the mothers and children in making masks and costumes suitable to be worn during the *Purim* Carnival at the Synagogue.

Yizkor Elohim

LAWRENCE BODENHEIMER
brother of Mrs. T. I. Jacobus

IDA KELLER
mother of Mrs. Michael Stowe

Rabbi Rudin to Speak At Sisterhood Meeting

Rabbi Jacob Philip Rudin of Temple Beth-El, Great Neck, L. I., will be the guest speaker at the next meeting of Sisterhood on Tuesday afternoon, March 17th at 1:00 P.M.

Rabbi Rudin served as assistant to Rabbi Stephen S. Wise before he was called to his present pulpit. He is a brilliant protagonist of Liberal Judaism and an active leader in the Reformed movement. As a scholar, author, lecturer and rabbi, he is ably qualified to speak on "Reformed Judaism in America".

After hearing Rabbi Rachman's analysis of Orthodox Judaism, an equally stimulating message is anticipated from Rabbi Rudin. All members and friends are urged to attend.

Sisterhood Sabbath will be held on Friday evening, March 13th. The guest speaker will be the well known lecturer and commentator, Estelle Sternberger, who will discuss the topic: "Will Religion Heal Our World?"

Rabbi to Hold Seminars For Post Confirmand Group

On Sunday morning, March 8th at 11 A.M. the first of six luncheon Seminars wil be conducted by Rabbi Noveck at the home of Gail Kaplan, 1109 Madison Avenue, for those who have been confirmed in the congregation in recent years. These Seminars, to be held in the homes of members, will deal with such questions as "The Jewish Attitude Toward the New Testament", "The Crisis in Russian-Israeli Relations" and other current problems. These Seminars were organized at a meeting in Rabbi Noveck's home last week and will meet on the following dates: March 8th, March 22nd, April 5th, April 19th, May 3rd and May 17th.

The study session will last from 11:00 A.M. to 12:15, after which lunch will be served. After lunch many members of the Seminar will then adjourn to the Synagogue for the meeting of the Judah Halevi Society. Members of the group thus far include the following: Stephen Brodsky, Hannah Cohen, Jonathan Freedman, Martin Gelfand, Judy Godwin, Marilyn Greenberg, Leda Feldman, Elizabeth Kaplan, Nan Krulewitch, Gail Kaplan, Arthur Jacobs and David Ruttenberg.

YOUTH NEWS

By DAVID ALAN RUTTENBERG

The Halutzim, which includes the teen-ageers between the ages of 13 and 15, has attracted a fine group of young boys and girls. They have been meeting regularly on Sunday afternoons in the Park Avenue Synagogue and have already conducted several excellent affairs.

On February 1st, the Halutzim held a dance for the March of Dimes campaign and succeeded in raising $16 which was contributed to the fight against the dreadful disease of polio. More than 35 people attended the dance and the group had a wonderful time.

With a membership of almost 40, the Halutzim was embarked on an ambitious program. On March 1st a meeting will be held in the Vestry of the Synagogue, at which time a film will be exhibited. It is called "Flight to Freedom" and is a dramatic picture dealing with the flight of the Yemenite Jews. Informal discussions are always in order and many of the members are becoming excellent speakers. On March 15th, they plan to have a discussion of the subject of Inter-Marriage, under the guidance of their Club Leader, Arnold Twertsky. If this provocative topic is a sample of the intellectual undertaking of this group, then the Halutzim is headed for great things.

The Judah Halevi Society salutes its Juniors and wishes them every success in their endeavors.

The Judah Halevi Society, which consists of the 15-17 teen-agers group, is considering enlarging its activities. The Executive Board, under the leadership of Michael Kaye, our President, hopes to have a definite program of activities arranged for the balance of the season. A series of discussions on the problems concerning the "Teen-Ager" has already been planned. The first of these took place February 15th and was well received. This group meets every Sunday afternoon at 2:30 P.M. Why not come and join us?

Mazel Tov

TO Mr. and Mrs. Isidor Hahn on the Engagement of their daughter, Carol to Harvey Glasser.

Erection of Building To Begin in March!

The committee is happy to report heartening news in connection with the Milton Steinberg Memorial Fund. There is every evidence that building will be started early in March!

Revised figures by the Building Committee also report that the finances necessary to at least make a start are available.

During the course of construction. additional embellishments can be added where the rest of the membership can match the generosity of other members who have given the support to go thus far.

Also. the manner in which the building will be furnished will depend upon the decision of some of the members who have not so far. for some reason. come forth with an additional pledge.

It is very discouraging to the Committee and rather difficult to understand that in some few cases there are members who have not made any contribution or pledge at all. and it is hoped that as they see the first spade turned in the erection of this building. they will want to feel that a little piece of this ground and building is a result of their heart and money also. The response of the different arms of the Synagogue. the Sisterhood. Men's Club and Senior League and many. many members who have answered the plea. has been encouraging. It is hoped that all will cooperate and make this wonderful dream a reality!

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Sisterhood Plans Gala Entertainment For Synagogue's Annual Purim Party

Following the evening services and the reading of the *Megillah*, the annual *Purim* Party will be presented by the Sisterhood on Saturday evening. February 28th. The main features of the gala occasion will be a delightful interpretation of Jewish wit and humor by the well known raconteur. Irving Davidson and songs by Marilyn Murphy.

Mr. Davidson, a New York attorney, has made a hobby of gathering and preserving stories which express and interpret the character of the Jewish people. These he presents in a unique manner. A skillful master of repartee and walking storehouse of *bon mots*, he has had seventeen years experience in the entertainment field and has been social director for several seasons at various New York and Pennsylvania summer resorts.

IRVING DAVIDSON

Mr. Davidson served for five years as Principal of the Religious School of the Park Avenue Synagogue under the late Rabbi Steinberg.

Marilyn Murphy, winner of the Arthur Godfrey Talent Show. will be the feature singer on the program. She has appeared at Radio City Music Hall and at the Palace Theatre.

The congregation is assured of an entertaining evening and all members are invited to attend.

Young Marrieds to Hear Jewish Science Lecture

The subject of the March meeting of the Young Marrieds will be: "What is Jewish Science—How Does it Work!" Mrs. Tehilla Lichtenstein, head of the Jewish Science movement will address the group in the Vestry Tuesday evening. March 10th at 8:30 P.M.

Mrs. Lichtenstein, wife of the founder of Jewish Science, Rabbi Morris Lichtenstein is a descendant of a rabbinical lineage unbroken for the past five hundred years. Much of her rabbinical teachings came from her father, Rabbi Chayim Hirschensohn, dean of the New Jersey Rabbinate during his lifetime and her husband Rabbi Morris Lichtenstein.

Tehilla Lichtenstein is also the first woman in this country to occupy a Jewish pulpit, having conducted services and delivered the discourse at the bi-weekly services held at the congregation of Jewish Science, since the death of her husband four years ago.

SCHEDULE OF ADULT CLASSES

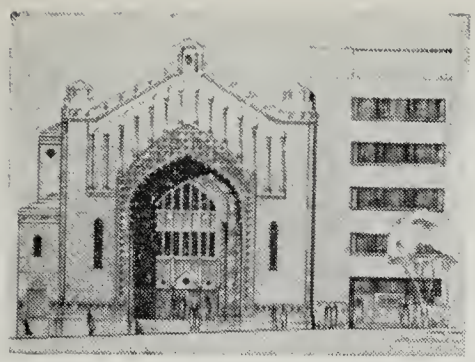
Monday, March 2nd ..... 8:00 P.M.
Dr. Eugene Kohn
Managing Editor
"The Reconstructionist"
will discuss: "How to Understand the Bible"
Prof. Albert Salomon
The New School of Social Research
will discuss: "The Proverbs and Ben Sira"

Monday, March 2nd ..... 9:00 P.M.
Rabbi Noveck will discuss: "Can a Jewish Culture be Created in America?"

Monday, March 9th ..... 8:00 P.M.
Dr. Ira Eisenstein
Society for Advancement of Judaism
will discuss: "The Organic Jewish Community"
Dr. Albert Salomon will discuss: "Job"

Monday, March 9th ..... 9:00 P.M.
Rabbi Noveck will discuss: "Recent Trends in Jewish Education"

Hebrew, Yiddish and Choral Classes — 8:00 PM.



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Rabbi to Speak At Milton Steinberg Yahrzeit Services

On Friday evening, March 20th, the Park Avenue Synagogue will commemorate the third Yahrzeit of our departed Rabbi and teacher, Milton Steinberg. As on former Anniversaries, the favorite music of Milton Steinberg will be sung by Cantor Putterman and the Choir, and the Kaddish will be recited by the entire congregation.

Rabbi Noveck who has been working for several months on a full-length Biography on Milton Steinberg will speak on the theme, "The Social Philosophy of Milton Steinberg". He will cite some of the interesting facts he has found in the course of his research and will discuss the attitude of the late Rabbi towards Jewish culture, Zionism and the future of the American Jewish community.

The Hebrew and English dates of the Yahrzeit coincide this year and all members of the congregation are urged to set aside all other commitments and come to the Synagogue that evening.

Estelle Sternberger to Occupy Pulpit On Sisterhood Sabbath March 13th

Sisterhood Sabbath will be celebrated in the Synagogue on Friday evening, March 13th. In addition to participation in the services by several members of the Sisterhood, the congregation will hear Estelle M. Sternberger, well known radio commentator and news analyst, who will discuss "Will Religion Heal Our World?"

Mrs. Sternberger is a sparkling, dynamic speaker who was formerly a columnist on domestic and international questions for the Scripps-Howard newspapers and Latin American press. She is the author of the book, "The Supreme Case."

ESTELLE M. STERNBERGER

President Roosevelt personally appointed her to be the National Chairman of the Good Neighbor League. For several years Mrs. Sternberger was the First Vice-President of the National Council of Women of the United States. She served on the Executive Board of the National Conference of Christians and Jews during its early years.

Estelle Sternberger has participated in international conferences of the United Nations and of the American Republics, and has made splendid diplomatic contact in the world capitols.

She received the Writer's War Board citation for consistent presentation of issues affecting American democracy and democracy in general. She was the first recipient, along with the late Franz Werfel and the Hon. James G. MacDonald, of the Albert Einstein Award

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Israel Minister to be Guest at Breakfast For Israel Bond Drive

Dr. Dov Joseph, Minister of State of the State of Israel will be the guest of honor at a Breakfast to be given by the Officers and Board of Trustees of the Park Avenue Synagogue, in association with the Greater New York Committee, for State of Israel Bonds.

The Breakfast will be held on Sunday Morning, March 15th, at 10:30 A.M. at the Croyden Hotel, 12 East 86th Street, New York City.

The Chairman of the Israel Bond Committee for the Park Avenue Synagogue, Irving Sarnoff, invites all members and friends to attend this affair.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday Evening, March 13th ..... 8:30 P.M.
Sisterhood Sabbath
Estelle M. Sternberger will discuss:
"Will Religion Heal Our World?"

Saturday Morning, March 14th ..... 9:45 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Roy Fass

Friday Evening, March 20th ..... 8:30 P.M.
Yahrzeit of Rabbi Milton Steinberg
Rabbi Noveck will discuss:
"The Social Philosophy of Milton Steinberg"

Saturday Morning, March 21st ..... 9:45 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Michael Schacht

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from the desk of the Principal

"HOME-BUILDER OF TOMORROW"

"OF COURSE she is just a child herself. She hasn't reached her 'teens yet. But time is fleeting and soon this child will be a young woman undertaking the responsibility of building a home.

What kind of home will it be? She will want a Jewish home. She will want to transmit to her children the spirit which she as a little girl found in *her* parent's home. Will she know how? Not unless she is prepared. Not unless she is given a Jewish education *now*.

It's an out-dated idea—this, of educating our sons and not our daughters. We today provide our daughters with general education to the same degree that we do our sons. It is just as important to do that with Jewish education.

Jewish life centers in the home. It is the woman who is the home-builder. How will she be able to create a Jewish home if she is not prepared? Have you thought of the problem in relation to your own daughter?

Are you enriching *her* life by giving her an appreciation of Jewish ideals and Jewish traditions. Are you educating her so that she may transmit these ideals to her children? Your grandchildren?

Far more than ever in the past it is through our daughters that we will perpetuate Jewish life.

You can prepare your daughter by enrolling her in the Park Avenue Synagogue Religious School. There she will learn the ideals and ideas of the Bible and of Jewish literature; the meaning of the Sabbath and of Jewish festivals; the religious customs and practices of the home. She will learn, too, something of the history of Jews through the ages, of their life in many lands, of the place of Israel today and its achievements; and of the contributions Jews have made to the history and growth of America.

Give your daughter a Jewish education. It will not only enrich her life, but the lives of her children."

JEWISH EDUCATION COMMITTEE OF N. Y.

Call the School Office today and enroll your child for the school year beginning in September 1953.

CULLING ALL BULLETINS

By

ALMA and THEODORE KAPLAN

Well-phrased pep talks, passed around from paper to paper, appear in several bulletins, each one careful to publish the original source. Two of these caught our eye. Voici, or rather, he-nay!

HOW TO ENJOY SERVICES

1. Come early and spend some moments in meditation while the organ prelude is being played.
2. Join in the readings, sing the hymns. They are chosen because of their message for you.
3. Listen to the sermon as if it were addressed just to you.
4. Exchange greetings with your fellow-worshippers.
5. Welcome the strangers near you.
6. Come forward after the services and greet your rabbi. If you enenjoyed the sermon, say so. Remember that many hours went into its preparation. No sermon is ever carelessly or half-heartedly prepared for the pulpit.

—Condensed from "Bulletin Exchange".

Synagogue Groups Organized for UJA

This year more than ever before the U.J.A. has taken on a new and stronger meaning. Right in our own Synagogue is substantial evidence of that fact.

It is most fitting that special recognition and appreciation be given to the Parents Association for organizing and conducting a drive among its members for the Women's Division of the United Jewish Appeal. Mrs. Herman Helpern, President, with her wonderful cooperation and understanding, has appointed as her chairman, Mrs. Leon Klein and a committee of ten for this very urgent life saving year.

This is the first time after a lapse of several years that the Parents Association initiated its own working group and our hopes run high for a successful campaign.

I extend special thanks also to Sidney J. Silberman, President of the Young Marrieds for his recognition of the importance of this drive and his appointment of a special committee of five young women to work with his group.

MRS. BENJAMIN SACK
Chairman Women's Division
Park Avenue Synagogue

Red Cross Needs Support of Members

Among the larger Synagogues in New York, according to Red Cross figures, the Park Avenue Synagogue makes probably the poorest showing in its support of that organization. Where as comparable institutions last year donated:

Temple Emanuel	$9,717
Central Synagogue	2,435
Bnai Jeshuran	1,333

respectively, the Park Avenue Synagogue accounted for only $754.50.

We are Americans as well as Jews and the Red Cross is one of the greatest American organizations.

Please make a special effort to give your support this year through the Park Avenue Synagogue.

MRS. EDWARD MUNVES,
Chairman

Memorial Tablet Will be Erected In New Building

Many people are designating at the time of great sorrow and loss of their loved ones that in lieu of flowers, etc. that contributions be made in their memory to the Milton Steinberg Memorial.

In the light of these many contributions it has been decided to erect in the Chapel of the new building, a tablet which will commemorate all such departed loved ones for whom contributions have been received.

At the present time, friends and members have seen fit to send in contributions in the memory of their beloved departed as follows:

Robert Hoffman
Isidor Geller
Mrs. Esther Federman
Aaron Linzer
Mrs. Anna D. Levin
Freida Cassmir
Leo Rosenhirsch
Adolph Spero
Augusta Cohen
Max Bender
Daniel Salmow
Ruth Halpern
Fannie Herman
Bertha Hausman

We have received a very generous contribution of $100 from a friend of the late Fannie Herman and her name will be placed with the others on this tablet to be placed in the Chapel.

Mazel Tov

TO Mr. and Mrs. David Hoexter on their 53rd Wedding Anniversary, March 19th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Lemberg on the Engagement of their daughter.

TO Mrs. Joseph Hamerman on the Marriage of her son, Dr. David J. Hamerman to Edna Konoff.

YOUTH NEWS

By DAVID ALAN RUTTENBERG

The Judah Halevi Society is continuing to provide its members with an interesting and entertaining program of activities.

On February 15th, "Sandy" Hahn delivered a stimulating talk on the controversial topic "The Problems of a Teen-Ager." This was the first of a series of lectures concerning a subject that is most important to us all. Grown-ups may have their problems, financial social, family, and undoubtedly many others, but if the discussion following Sandy's talk was a fair measuring rod, then their problems are small as compared to those that face almost every "teen-ager."

The following Sunday, accompanied by Sandy, we made a trip to the Jewish Theological Seminary located at 123rd Street and Broadway. We toured the buildings and were amazed to find the many exhibits and objects of interest housed there. Probably few people realize that the Seminary is not only a place for the instruction of those who intend to enter the Rabbinate but also for Teachers of Religious Schools throughout the country and communal workers who receive their training at the Seminary. In addition, the Jewish Theological Seminary conducts the Eternal Light program which is highly rated on radio. Through the Jewish Museum operated under the supervision of the Seminary, wide-spread interest and a greater appreciation of Judaism among people of other faiths are cutivated.

We lunched at the Seminary and all agreed that it was an occasion none of us would have wanted to miss.

Youth Leader

An important factor in the gradual development of the Judah Halevi Society is the splendid leadership of Mr. Sanford Hahn, our advisor. Sandy, as he is known to us, was born in New York City in 1927. For as long as he can remember, he wanted to be a Rabbi, and even in his younger days, he "Played Rabbi". As a small boy, Sandy attended the Park Avenue Synagogue Religious School and paritcipated in the Junior Congregation. Needless to say, he was a brilliant student and showed great promise.

At the beginning of World War II, Sandy became guidance director of the Junior Congregation at the Synagogue. He developed this group into an enthusiastic, well-attended religious body, who conduct their services in a most creditable manner. Sandy, too modest to accept all the glory for this achievement, atributes the unusual progress of the Junior Congregation to the able supervision of Mr. Martin Leichtling, Principal of the Religious School; but nevertheless, it was Sandy's inspired leadership that was largely responsible for the splendid work done by this group.

Sandy credits the late Rabbi Milton Steinberg and our Cantor David Putterman as the two persons most responsible for the choice of his career. In 1945, Sandy took the examination for the Seminary's pre-theological course. Although he attended Queens College during the next four years, he found time to teach at the Park Avenue Synagogue Religious School and to act as advisor to the Junior Congregation. Meanwhile, he continued his studies at the Seminary and in 1949, he became a full-fledged graduate student of the Seminary's Rabbinical School.

Sandy's personality is best shown by his recent election as Placement Director of Students at the Rabbinical School and by his re-election this year.

Sisterhood Sabbath

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for advancing international cooperation.

Mrs. Sternberger has travelled widely: Asia, Africa, Israel,Europe and Latin America. She has been preseneted to the King and Queen of Great Britain. as well as to the King of Denmark. and was extended the unusual honor and privilege of addressing an adjourned session of the British House of Lords.

Her reportage and analysis of current affairs is heard over WLIB.

Men's Club to Hear United Nations Talk

Professor William Henderson will address the Men's Club at its next regular meeting on Tuesday evening, March 17th. At present he is an instructor in Government at Barnard College, as well as the Secretary of the Council on Foreign Relations. Formerly he was an economist in the Office of the Alien Property Custodian of the United States. His topic will be "The Crisis Facing the United Nations".

Professor Henderson is also a member of the American Association for the United Nations and well equipped to analyze this subject. Included among the events which he will discuss are the resignation of Mr. Trygvie Lie, the recent suicide of Abraham Feller, the communist fomentation and the Korean police action in general. He will specifically comment on the decision by President Eisenhower redefining the function of the United States Eighth Fleet with its possible consequences in regard to the Chinese Nationalists and their carrying the fight from Formosa to the China mainland.

All members and friends are invited to be present at this meeting which begins at 8:30 P.M.

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Dr. Franzblau Speaks, Parents Participate In Sabbath Services

The Parents Association, the first congregational organization to conduct the Friday Evening Service at the Park Avenue Synagogue for the current season, did so on February 27th. Dr. Rose Franzblau, noted psychologist, counselor, and columnist for the *New York Post*, was the guest speaker. Her talk on "The Family Romance—and how it can be kept alive" was interesting and well received by the audience.

The following members of the Parents Association participated in the reading of the Hebrew and English prayers: Mrs. Herman Helpern, Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer, Mr. Bernard Weintraub, and Mr. Nelson Ruttenberg. At the conclusion of the services, many of the congregants gathered in the Vestry where a spirited discussion followed. Dr. Franzblau was most gracious in answering the many questions asked of her. Refreshments and a social hour completed the evening.

Arrangements are being made for the Cocktail Party which will be sponsored by the Parents Association for the benefit of the Milton Steinberg Memorial Fund. This will take place on April 19th in the Vestry of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

At the next meeting om the Parents Association, a new constitution will be presented to the members. A committee has already prepared the revision which has been approved by the Executive Board. Under the proposed constitution many of the previous amendments have been incorporated, and an Executive Board consisting of 8 officers and 24 additional members has been provided for. Elections will be held at the annual meeting which will take place in May.

The 3rd Annual Synagogue Seder will be held on Tuesday, March 31st at 6:30 P.M. For reservations contact Mrs. Harry J. Sokolow, 1225 Park Avenue,, New York City, or phone ATwater 9-8708.

SCHEDULE OF

Monday, March 16th ..... 8:00 P.M.
Rabbi Mordecaii Waxman
Temple Israel, Great Neck, L. I.
will discuss: "The Reconstructionist Approach to Ritual"
Prof. Albert Salomon
The New School of Social Research
will discuss: "Song of Songs and Lamentations"

Monday, March 16th ..... 9:00 P.M.
Rabbi Mordecai Waxman will discuss: "The Sociology of American Jewish Religion"

Monday, March 23rd ..... 8:00 P.M.
Rabbi Saul Kraft
Hillel Foundation, Adelphi College
will discuss: "The Reconstructionist Approach to Prayer and Worship"
Prof. Albert Salomon will discuss: "Ecclesiastes"

Monday, March 23rd ..... 9:00 P.M.
Rabbi Noveck will discuss: "Jewish Personality Traits"
Hebrew, Yiddish and Choral Classes — 8:00 P.M.

Rabbi Rudin to Speak At Sisterhood Meeting

Sisterhood will present the second of an informative series on the various phases of American Jewry at their meeting on Tuesday, March 17th in the Vestry of the Synagogue.

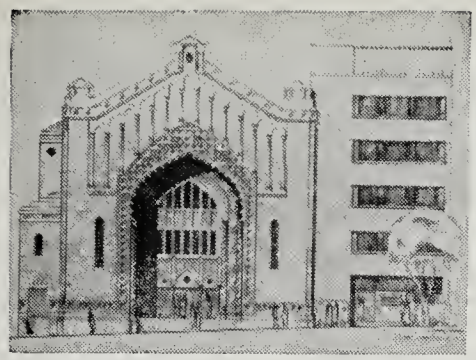
Rabbi Jacob Rudin of Great Neck, Long Island will speak on "The Reformed Jew". Rabbi Rudin is an outstanding protagonist of Reformed Judaism and is nationally recognized as a brilliant thinker and speaker.

Sisterhood is fortunate in having been able to secure celebrated representatives of the faith to give a well rounded picture of all three denominations of Judaism. All members and friends are cordially invited to attend.

Yizkor Elohim

PEARL MUNVER

sister of Mrs. Herman Weiss



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Congregation to Hold 3rd Annual Seder

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday Evening, March 27th ..... 8:30 P.M.
Adult Education Sabbath
Dr. Hasye Cooperman will discuss:
"The Great Yiddish Classics—From the Real to the Sublime"

Saturday Morning, March 28th ..... 9:45 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach:
"Can Spiritual Values be Taught?"
The Great Sabbath

FIRST DAYS

First Evening, Monday, March 30th ..... 6:00 P.M.

First Morning, Tuesday, March 31st ..... 9:30 A.M.
Rabbi Simon Noveck will preach

Second Evening, Tuesday, March 31st .....6:00 P.M.

Annual Congregational Seder ..... 7:00 P.M.
Rabbi Noveck and Cantor Putterman will conduct the Seder assisted by the Synagogue Choir

Second Morning, Wednesday, April 1st ..... 9:30 A.M.
Rabbi Simon Noveck will preach

Friday Evening, April 3rd ..... 6:00 P.M.

Saturday Morning, April 4th ..... 9:45 A.M.
Mr. Sanford Hahn will preach

SECOND DAYS

Seventh Evening, Sunday, April 5th ..... 6:00 P.M.

Seventh Morning, Monday, April 6th ..... 9:30 A.M.
Rabbi Simon Noveck will preach

Eighth Evening, Monday, April 6th ..... 6:00 P.M.

Eighth Morning, Tuesday, April 7th ..... 9:30 A.M.
Rabbi Simon Noveck will preach
Memorial Services will be held.

Musical Services will be conducted by Cantor Putterman assisted by the Synagogue choir and organ.

If you wish any of Your Family Memorialized, Please Return the Enclosed Card to the Synagogue Office.

There will be no late Friday Evening Services on Friday, April 3rd.

Rabbi and Cantor To Conduct Services

The third annual Passover Seder sponsored by the Park Avenue Synagogue will be held on Tuesday evening, March 31st at 7 P.M. Over two hundred members and their families will attend this affair which has become a tradition at the synagogue.

The Seder will be conducted by Rabbi Noveck and Cantor Putterman with the assistance of the Synagogue Choir. It will follow the traditional and Reconstructionist Prayer Book.

Mrs. Harry Sokolow, the Chairman of the dinner for the third consecutive year, urges all those who plan to attend to make their reservations immediately, since a limited number can be accommodated.

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Adult Sabbath Marks Close of Year's Classes

Adult Education Sabbath will be celebrated on Friday evening, March 27th to mark the close of 18 weeks of Adult Education sessions. Members of the Hebrew classes will participate in the reading of the services.

Dr. Hasye Cooperman, instructor in the Yiddish course for the past two years, will be the guest speaker at a symposium in the Vestry following the service. Her theme will be "The Great Yiddish Classics—from the Real to the Sublime".

Dr. Cooperman will describe the satiric elements, the poetic qualities and the cry of social protest of the world of our grandfathers. She will read, as

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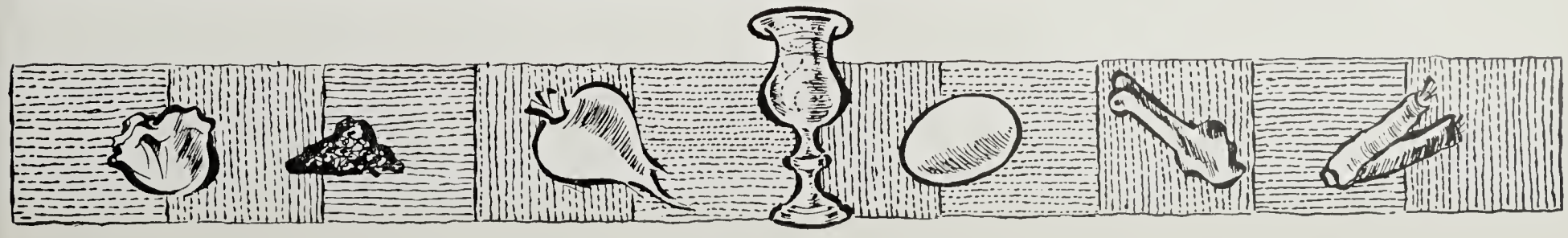

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Message from UJA

We who celebrate Passover, the great Festival of Freedom in a land of freedom, are doubly blessed. At one and the same time, we commemorate an ancient liberation from bondage, and give thanks for our liberties. But this year, Passover has a message for us that makes all the more striking our recollection of the ancient exodus from Eqypt and all the more appropriate the presence on the Seder table of the bitter herbs.

For today, there are other Jews in bondage, and other, more powerful, pharaohs who grind them down. Passover, which ought always to be a joyous holiday, is this year a tragic one. The fact that the 2,500,000 Jews of Eastern Europe who are today's victims of oppression will not observe the Passover as we do, freely, joyously, in thanksgiving. They will observe it in their hearts only, lifted up only by the thought and the hope that we in America have not abandoned them.

The officers of the United Jewish Appeal ask, therefore, that all Jews exerywhere in the United States give serious thought to those who are trapped in Iron Curtain countries. They ask, moreover, that every American Jew resolve at the Seder table to do more and give more to his community campaign in behalf of UJA.

EDWARD M. WARBURG
General Chairman, U.J.A.

DR. HASYE COOPERMAN

Adult Services

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part of her presentation, excerpts from Peretz, Mendele Mocher, Sforim, and Sholom Aleichem, both in the original and translation.

Dr. Cooperman was born and educated in New York City. She received a Ph.D. at Columbia University. She is a member of the faculty of the New School for Social Research in New York City, where she teaches comparative literature, also a special course in American literature. She has lectured extensively on American and European literatures and on the philosophy of aesthetics.

She is the author of criticism, short stories and poetry.

Her article entitled, "The Folk Pattern of Yiddish Literature", which appeared in the October issue of *Judaism*, compares Yiddish literature with similar bodies of world literature (especially Spanish, Italian, and even American). This article represents a chapter of a forthcoming book to be called, "Folk Tendencies in World Literature". The materials for this book have been the subject matter of her lectures at the New School.

Appointments Announced By Chairman of Board

Sanford H. Cohen, Chairman of the Board of Trustees ,announced that he has re-appointed Archie Thurman, Chairman of the Ritual Committee; Harold R. Starkman, Chairman of the Adult Education Committee; Victor J. Herwitz, Chairman of the School Board and Saul Godwin, Chairman of the Steinberg Memorial Building Committee with Isidore M. Cohen as Assistant Chairman. Nathan Appleman, Sanford H. Cohen, Samuel Lemberg and Joseph Howard Katz continue as members of that Committee. Edward Munves has been reappointed as Chairman of Art Objects and Decorations with Mrs. Milton Weill and Mrs. Milton Steinberg as members of the Committee.

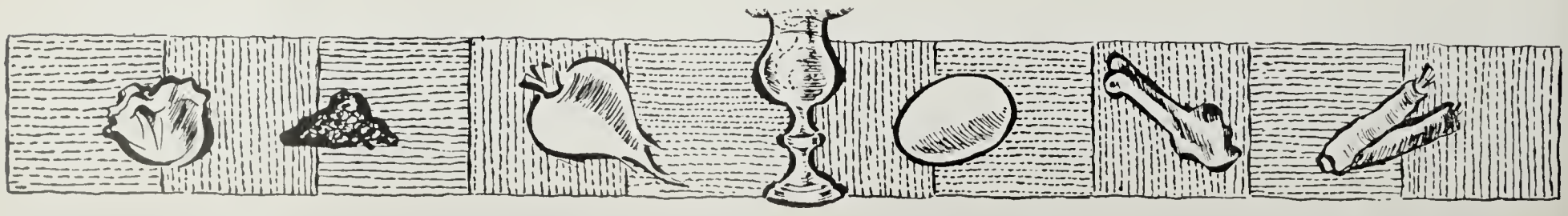
Formerly Chairman of the Board, Benjamin Sack has been appointed Chairman of the Finance Committee.

Announcement of other appointments will follow in a later issue of BULLETIN.

Head of Seminary To be TV Speaker

NBC-TV's distinguished series, "Great Men of Our Age," will feature a half-hour "conversation" with Doctor Louis Finkelstein, Chancellor of The Jewish Theological Seminary of America, at 3:30 P.M. Sunday, March 29th. Critics and public alike have acclaimed this series, which has already transmitted interviews with such world personalities as Bertrand Russell, Robert Frost and Carl Sandburg. This is a notable event for American Jewry and the entire American Community.

Another TV "must" is the Seminary's forthcoming Passover program, to be televised nationally on March 25th, from 10:30-11:00 P.M. The program is entitled "The Passover of Rembrandt van Rijn" and is a TV adaptation of Morton Wishengrad's memorable Eternal Light radio drama. Various communities—including New York City—will carry this program by delayed kinescope.



YOUTH NEWS

By DAVID ALAN RUTTENBERG

The Judah Halevi Society and the Halutzim joined in a friendly encounter at the Synagogue on Sunday, March 15th, in debating the question: "Should Restrictions be placed on Puerto Rican Immigration into the United States."

Eleanor Foa, Martin Petroff and Roger Waldman, members of the Halutzim took the affirmative and presented able arguments in favor of imposing restrictions on such immigration. The negative was supported by Jonathan Freedman, David Ruttenberg and William Popkin, members of the Halevi Society, who advanced many reasons for unlimited immigration. The debaters showed great forensic skill, and the Halutzim group were declared the winners. Everyone agreed that the subject was ably presented, and that this was a good form of entertainment.

The following week-end, March 20th-22nd, the Youth Group of the East Midwood Jewish Center in Flatbush was host to representatives of Youth Clubs from the Park Avenue Synagogue, B'nai Jeshurun, and Temple Emanuel of Parkchester. Barbara Berzin, Hannah Cohen, Martin Gelfand, Judy Godwin, Marilyn Greenberg, Michele Kay, and Gail Kaplan represented the Judah Halevi Society. Henry Ancell, Ira Levey, Arlene Petroff, Martin Petroff and Roger Waldman represented the Halutzim.

The visitors stayed at the homes of the East Midwood members and enjoyed an unusually pleasant week-end. They started with a Friday evening service, conducted by the Youth Group, which was followed by a general discussion. On Saturday morning, the Group also held a regular service, and this, too, was continued over into a panel discussion.

A talent show and dance was scheduled for Saturday night and, needless to say, that provided a full evening of entertainment for all those who were fortunate enough to make the trip. The session ended on Sunday with a breakfast for the entire group.

Third Ramah Camp Purchased by NRC

The National Ramah Commission, the governing body of the Ramah camps owned and operated by the Conservative movement, has just acquired another camp located at East Hampton, Connecticut, according to Mr. Maxwell Abbell, president of the United Synagogue and chairman of the Ramah Commission. This is the third in a network of educational camps for gifted Jewish boys and girls from the age of seven to seventeen.

The latest camp which occupies a tract of 400 acres of land, including a private lake, a swimming pool and other up-to-date facilities, will be operated under the auspices of the New York Metropolitan Council of the United Synagogue.

The camp has accommodations for 250 children and guest housing facilities for 150 adults. Like the two older camps the educational program of the newly acquired institution will be conducted under the supervision of the Teachers Institute of the Seminary. In addition to the regular recreational activities and creative arts program, stress will be placed on meaningful Jewish living.

Since this camp is ready for operations, registration for the coming summer has begun.

Parents interested in having their children spend the summer in the new Ramah camp are urged to write immediately to:
CAMP RAMAH IN CONNECTICUT
3080 Broadway, New York 27, N. Y.

Mazel Tov

TO Mr. and Mrs. Howard Kieval on the Arrival of a daughter, Deborah Miriam.
TO Mr. and Mrs. Fred Krones on the Birth of their daughter, Patricia Ellen.
TO Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Friedman on their 48th Wedding Anniversary, March 6th.
TO Mrs. Tillie Heller on her 88th Birthday, March 23rd.

SCHOOL NEWS

Pesach Recess

In cooperation with the mid-Manhattan congregational schools, the Spring recess of the Religious School will take place during *Pesach* Week. School will close on March 30th and re-open on Saturday morning, April 11th.

Holiday Services

The Junior Congregation, under the supervision of Sanford Hahn, will conduct *Pesach* holiday services at 9:30 A.M. in the Vestry of the synagogue. Students in the Religious School are urged to attend services on March 30th and 31st and on April 6th and 7th.

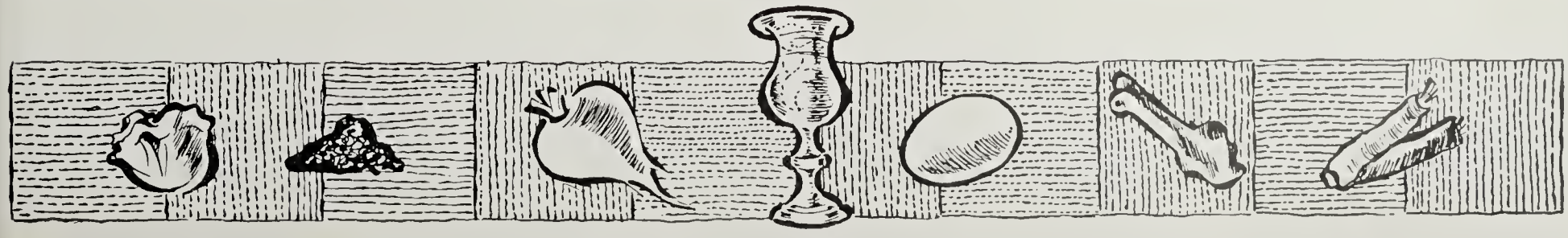
Model Seder

The model Seder will be conducted by Rabbi Noveck, with the assistance of the students of the Religious School, on Sunday morning, March 29th in the Vestry of the synagogue.

Each class in the school will be responsible for the decoration of its Seder table. Many classes have planned appropriate holiday centerpieces which have both traditional and modern significance. The reading of the *Haggadah* will be led by the students of the Hebrew Department.

Mrs. Edward Joseph, chairman of the Class Mothers, and Mrs. Stanley Simon, chairman of Holiday Workshop, have arranged for the preparation and the serving of the food at the Seder.

TO Mrs. Emma Luebeck on her 90th Birthday, March 26th.
TO Mrs. Frieda Ochs on her 87th Birthday, March 26th.
TO Mr. and Mrs. Philip Mittenthal on the Engagement of their son, Richard.
TO Mr. and Mrs. Joseph I. Lubin on the Birth of their grandson.
TO Dr. and Mrs. Benjamin Marvin on the Birth of a son, Daniel Arthur and to his grandparents, Dr. and Mrs. Julius Davis.
TO Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Liberman on the Marriage of their daughter, Sally to Mr. Robert S. Smith.
TO Jacob Klein on his Birthday, March 12th.



Synagogue Groups Plan "Jewish Home Beautiful"

The Sisterhood in conjunction with the Men's Club and Parents' Association will present "The Jewish Home Beautiful", a pageant of the Holidays as they are celebrated in the home, on Tuesday evening, April 21st.

Mrs. Sophie Ruskey, who will be the narrator, is also the author of the script. Members of the Sisterhood and Parents' Association will decorate the holiday tables and participate in the dramatic presentation. Cantor Putterman, as a member of the cast, will sing some of the traditional Jewish melodies.

The Men's Club will be the hosts for the evening. All members of the Synagogue and its affiliated branches are invited to attend this affair.

Seder

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A full course dinner with all the traditional Passover foods has been planned. It is hoped by the Chairman and many members of the congregation that the Seder will be a real family affair. For reservations write or call Mrs. Harry Sokolow, 1225 Park Avenue, New York, ATwater 9-8708.

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Parents Will Hold April Cocktail Party

Final plans have been completed for the Cocktail Party to be sponsored by the Parents' Association on Sunday afternoon, April 26th from 4 to 7 P.M. in the Vestry of the Park Avenue Synagogue. The rceeipts raised from this affair will be contributed to the Milton Steinberg Memorial Fund.

Mrs. Edward Joseph, Chairman, and her committee are planning a gala party with dancing, cocktails, hors d'oeuvres, and many attractive prizes. For the nominal price of $3.50 a couple, those attending will not only have a wonderful time, but will also be helping a wonderful cause.

Again this year, the Parents' Association made Passover an inspirational festival for the children of the Religious School. At the afternoon sessions on Wednesday and Thursday, March 25th and 26th, parents and children attended a Passover Workshop conducted by Mrs. Stanley Simon and the Class Mothers. The project centered around the actual preparation of the symbols displayed on the Seder table. These included the *Ka'arah*, the decorative platter on which are dislayed the *Maror*, the bitter herb; the *Haroset*, a mixture of apples, nuts, and wine; the *Zeroa*, the roasted bone; the *Betzah*, the roasted egg; the *Karpas*, the parsley; and finally the salt and water.

From the excitement and enthusiasm manifested by the children, it was aparent that they had gained immeasurably from the experience of actually participating in the preparation of these foods. The beautiful traditions of this Festival have become more meaningful and more inspirational to each child.

Yizkor Elohim

LAURIE DEBORAH MARK
daughter of
Mr. and Mrs. Sandor Mark,
granddaughter of
Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Mark and
Mr. and Mrs. Herman Weiss

Young Marrieds Sponsor Services on April 10th, Rabbi Lelyveld to Speak

Rabbi Arthur J. Lelyveld, National Director of the B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundations will address the congregation of the Park Avenue Synagogue Friday evening, April 10th, in a service sponsored by the Young Married's Group. Rabbi Lelyveld will have for his topic, "The Third Era."

As Executive Director and National Vice Chairman of the Committee on Unity for Palestine of the Zionist Organization of America in 1944, Rabbi Lelyveld directed a nationwide program of education and interpretation of the idea of a Jewish State.

Well-known in Jewish communal and educational circles throughout that nation, Rabbi Lelyveld has been National Director of Hillel since 1948. Since taking over the helm of Hillel he established the new Hillel Foundation at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem in 1951 and travelled through Israel from the Northern Galil to the Southern Negev.

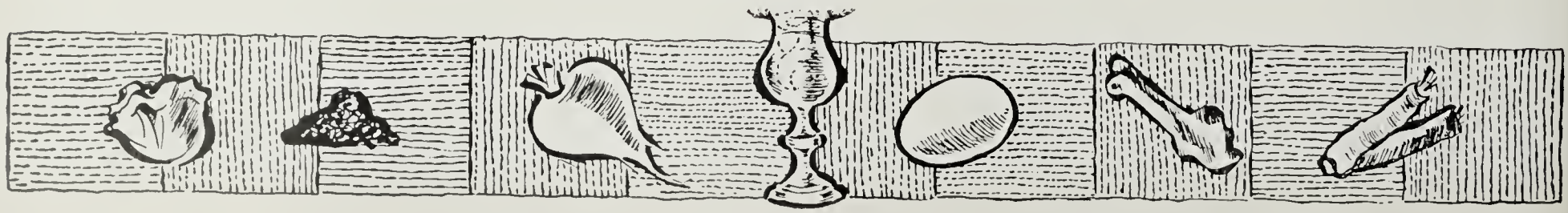
All congregants are urged to attend this special event.

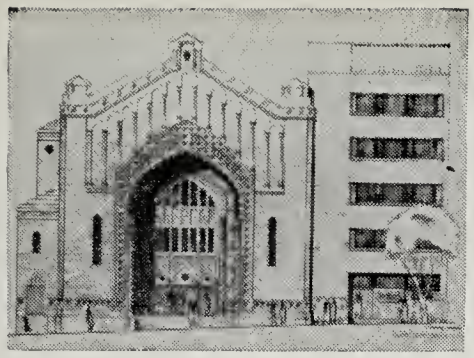
Young Marrieds Plan April Square Dance

The entertainment committee of the Young Married's, under the chairmanship of Mrs. Seymour Finkelstein announce the engagement of Mr. and Mrs. Hank Green, nationally known square dance callers and authorities on folk dances to lead the way for the Young Married's on Saturday night, April 18th, in the Vestry of the Synagogue from 8:30 P.M. until 1:00 A.M.

Mrs. Finkelstein and her committee promise a fun packed evening with square and folk dances, exhibition dancing, party games, prizes and surprises, including a late evening supper.

The keynote of the evening will be strict informality. All Young Married's wishing to make reservations please contact Mrs. Seymour Finkelstein, 737 Park Avenue, TR 9-0766.





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Choral Group to Sing At True Sisters Sabbath

The United Order of True Sisters Inc. will sponsor the Sabbath service on Friday evening, April 17th at 8:30 P.M. Mrs. Myra B. Miller, 2nd Grand Vice-President of the Order, will be the guest speaker. Her topic will be "The United Order of True Sisters".

The Synagogue Choral Group which has been trained by Cantor Putterman every Monday evening during the adult classes, will sing the Friday evening service from the Synagogue pulpit conducted by the Cantor.

The members of the Choral Group are: Carl Buchman, Sadie Cohen, Leah Crohn, Leoni Frieder, Syra Friedlander, Sam Greenstein, Irma Heller, Anne Harrison, Lieselotte Horn, Ella Ritey, Antoinette Reinhart, Emma Stahl, Robert Stein, Edith Vyner, Elinor Warren.

Mrs. Miller, a former president of the Sisterhood of Temple Beth Emeth of Brooklyn, and an officer in the New York State Federation of Temple Sisterhoods for 9 years, is acting Grand President of the True Sisters.

Rabbi Lelyveld Will Speak At Young Marrieds Service

"The Third Era," will be the topic of an address to be given by Rabbi Arthur J. Lelyveld as part of the Sabbath Eve Service, sponsored by the Young Marrieds on Friday, April 10th.

Rabbi Lelyveld, National Director of the B'nai B'rith Hillel foundations, is a member of the Executive Committee of the American Zionist Youth Commission and of the Board of Governors of the Brandeis Youth Foundation. He is also founder of the National Federation of Temple Youth and was at one time editor of the "Youth Leader", published by the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

RABBI ARTHUR LELYVELD

A native of New York City, Rabbi Lelyveld attended Columbia University where he received his BA Degree and was elected to Phi Beta Kappa in 1933. He was ordained as Rabbi after having completed his studies at the Hebrew Union College in Cincinnati in 1939.

Members of the Young Marrieds' who will partake in the reading of the service are: Mrs. Marvin G. Robinson, Dr. Nathan Schifrin, Mrs. Stanley Greenwald, Samuel Fredman, Bill Riemer, Dudley Greenstein and Marvin J. Cohen. Melvin Ringler,Dr. Marvin G. Robinson, Fred Krones, Dr. Lawrence Janoff and Robert Greenstein will be ushers.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday Evening, April 10th ..... 8:30 P.M.
Young Married's Sabbath
Rabbi Lelyveld will discuss:
"The Third Era"

Saturday Morning, April 11th ..... 9:45 A.M.
Rabbi Jessurun Cardozo will discuss:
"The 300th Anniversary of the Arrival of Jews in America"

Friday Evening, April 17th ..... 8:30 P.M.
True Sisters Sabbath
Mrs. Myra B. Miller will be Guest Speaker
Synagogue Choral Group will sing service

Saturday Morning, April 18th ..... 9:45 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach:
"The Little Things in Life"

Congregation to Hear Rabbi Jessurun Cardozo

Rabbi Jessurun Cardozo, of the Sephardic Jewish Center of the Bronx, will be the guest speaker at Saturday morning services, April 11th at 9:45 A.M. Rabbi Cardozo's topic will be "The 300th Anniversary of the Arrival of Jews in America". He has chosen this topic in honor of the celebration of Jewish History Week.

Rabbi Cardozo was born in Amsterdam, Holland. He received his rabbinical training at the Sephardic Seminary "Ez-Haim" in Amsterdam and at the Jews' College, London.

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RABBI JESSURUN CARDOZO

Cardozo

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From 1929 to 1936, he was Minister in the Montefiore Synagogue, Ramsgate, England. From 1936 to 1943, he was assistant to Dr. David de Sola Pool, in Congregation Shearith Israel, New York. In 1942-1943, he acted as Spiritual Head of the Central Sephardic Jewish Community of America. From 1943 to 1949, he was the Minister of the Congregation Mikveh Israel, Philadelphia, Pa. Rabbi Cardozo became the Spiritual Leader of the Sephardic Jewish Center of The Bronx in 1950.

He wrote "Think and Thank," a history of the Montefiore Synagogue, which was published in 1933. He is the Secretary of the World Federation of Sephardic Communities, and Vice President of the Union of Sephardic Congregations. For "services rendered to the Dutch Cause during and after the War," Queen Wilhelmina of the Netherlands bestowed on him a Knighthood in the Order of Orange and Nassau.

Chairman of Board Reveals Appointments

Sanford H. Cohen, President of the Board of Trustees has announced the appointment of the following committees.

Law Committee: Harold H. Levin, Chairman; Judge Bernard Botein, Judge Abraham Geller, Saul Godwin, Samuel S. Allan, Abraham M. Weinberg, I. B. Oseas, Col. Melvin Krulewitch, Harry J. Sokolow, Joseph Howard Katz and Sidney Silberman.

Liaison Committee with the Pulpit: Sanford H. Cohen, Chairman; Isidore M. Cohen, Victor Herwitz, Harold H. Levin, and Archie Thurman.

Ritual Committee: Archie Thurman, Chairman; Dr. E. D. Friedman, Jacob Klein, Joseph Howard Katz, Solomon Green, Sidney Silberman, Isidore Hahn, Rabbi Simon Noveck (advisory) and Cantor Putterman (advisory).

Membership Committee: Ezra Cohen, Chairman; Joseph Howard Katz, Isidore M. Cohen, Harry Halbren, Arthur Ochs, Barney Schlinger and Dudley Greenstein.

Finance Committee: Benjamin Sack, Chairman; Joseph I. Lubin, Vice Chairman; Nelson Ruttenberg, George Armour and Arthur Ochs.

Mrs. Edelman has also been appointed to the Art Objects and Decorations Committee, a subcommittee of the Steinberg Memorial Building Committee. Other members of this committee were announced in a previous issue of BULLETIN.

Mazel Tov

TO Mr. Enoch Moed on the Marriage of his daughter, Henriette, to Walter Roth, March 22nd.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Louis Heller on the Birth of their son, Hiram David, to his Grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Heller and his great Grandparents, Mrs. Mathilda Heller and Mrs. Nannie Davidson.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Norman Cohen on the Birth of their son, Stephen Gary, March 15th.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Harry Halbren on the Birth of their grandchild.

TO Mr. Louis M. Friedman on the Engagement of his grandson, Dr. Edward Friedman.

Synagogue Make Plans To Hold UJA Brunch

In view of the grave emergency created by the anti-Semitic terror in Eastern Europe and the desire on the part of all Jews to help in every way they can, the Park Avenue Synagogue has decided to hold a brunch for the United Jewish Appeal on Sunday morning, May 10th.

Dr. Harold A. Osserman, UJA chairman, and Gustave Yuder, co-chairman, joined with Sanford H. Cohen, Chairman of the Board of Trustees to address an urgent plea to the members to keep this date open. The best and most effective way is to support the UJA in this most crucial of campaigns and to attend the brunch on May 10th. The place and time will be announced in the next BULLETIN.

In a short while the membership can also expect to receive a formal invitation to the brunch.

Israel Minister Speaks at Brunch

On Sunday, March 15th, Park Avenue Synagogue was host to Dr. Dov Joseph, Minister of State, of the State of Israel, at a breakfast at the Hotel Croydon. The function was sponsored by the Israel Bond Committee of the Synagogue with Mr. Irving Sarnoff as Chairman.

Dr. Joseph spoke of the economic problems facing Israel today. He stated that the attacks on Israel are attacks on Jews everywhere—including the United States, and that Israel can only resist these attacks if it is economically strong. In asking those present to purchase State of Israel Bonds he pointed out that the leading banks of the United States had made substantial loans to the new State because of their faith in Israel's future.

Everyone present at the breakfast purchased bonds. Mr. Sanford Cohen, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, has addressed a letter to every member of the Congregation, asking them to become an owner of Israel Bonds for Israel's Fifth Anniversary.

SCHOOL NEWS

Religious School Re-Opens
HEBREW DEPARTMENT
Saturday, April 11th
PRIMARY DEPARTMENT
Sunday, April 12th

Honor Roll

The faculty of the Hebrew Department announced that the following students have been placed on the Honor Roll for attendance, effort, attitude and general excellence in Hebrew studies:

Hebrew 1B — Joel Shapiro, Randall Weingarten, Inez Fields, Stephen Botein, Joel Grantz.

Hebrew 1A — Eric Weinberg, Charles Kaiser, Jimmy Fogelson, Jeffrey Joseph.

Hebrew 2A — Susan Drukatz, David Reichman, Leona Giat.

Hebrew 2B — John Siegel, Robert Karpf.

Hebrew 3A — Peter Bienstock, Michael Freedman, John Wolf.

Hebrew 3B — Susan Jacobs, Stanley Sandler, Michael Schacht.

Israel Independence Day

"Yom Hamedinah" or Indendence Day of the State of Israel will be celebrated on the 5th day of the month of Iyar. The Junior Congregation will observe the day with an appropriate program on Saturday, April 18th. Rabbi Noveck will visit with the congregation on that morning and discuss the significance of the modern State of Israel to the American Jew.

Parents Conduct Seder For Religious School, Plan April Cocktail Party

Invitations have already been sent out for the Cocktail Party to be sponsored by the Parents Association on Sunday afternoon, April 26th, from 4 to 7 P.M. in the Vestry of the Park Avenue Synagogue. The proceeds of this affair will be contributed to the Milton Steinberg Memorial Fund.

The charge of $3.50 a couple will include hors d'oeuvres, dancing to an orchestra, prizes, and a gay social get-together. Mrs. Edward Joseph and her committee have worked untiringly to make this an occasion you will not want to miss.

On Sunday morning, March 29th, the Parents Association conducted a model Seder for the children of the Religious School. This project was under the auspices of the Parents Association Workshop with Mrs. Stanley Simon, Chairman, and Mrs. Bernard Grauer, Co-Chairman, ably assisted by the Class Mothers.

The Seder table displayed the traditional symbols of the Festival; the three matzot covered with the Passover ritual cloth; the roasted shank bone; the roasted egg; the bitter herb; the mixture of apples, nuts and wine; and the parsley. Even the four cups of wine were included. The significance of this symbol was explained to the children as representing the four promises that God made to their ancestors when they were freed from Egyptian slavery. To-day, these are recognized as the Four Essential Human Freedoms; freedom of speech, freedom of worship, freedom from want, and finally, freedom from fear.

CULLING ALL BULLETINS

By THEODORE and ALMA KAPLAN

Some congregations seem to have come up with "bright ideas" for enhancing family solidarity along with family-synagogue inter-relationships.

Temple Israel of Great Neck held an elaborate Family Service on a recent Friday night, with seating arranged so that families remained together as a unit. The service was scheduled to begin and end a half-hour earlier than usual as a bid for juvenile attendance and wide-awakeness. Music was by a children's choir, and the sermon was presented in story form. To make the occasion truly memorable, the names of recent birthday celebrants among the children were called off and token gifts presented to them. Most important, a warm and binding tradition was revived —that of the family pew, the joint and united worship of the family among the larger family that is the congregation of Israel.

YOUTH NEWS

By DAVID ALAN RUTTENBERG

A gala week-end was enjoyed by all members who attended the East Midwood Jewish Center get-together March 19th to 22nd. Michele Kaye, Marilyn Greenberg, and Marty Gelfand, representing the Judah Halevi Society, and Roger Waldman, Martin and Arlene Petroff, and Henry Ancel, participating for the Halutzim, all praised their hosts for a "job well done."

After a cordial welcome by the Synagogue leaders, the visitors were introduced to the boys and girls at whose homes the teen-agers were to stay. A delicious dinner at the homes of their respective hosts, followed by a Friday evening service at the Center.

On Saturday morning, they attended a beautiful Sabbath service which was also conducted by the Youth Group. Workshops on song and dance, and a study period followed a tasty lunch served at the Center. A Mincha service was held in the afternoon, followed by a buffet supper, heartily appreciated by the hungry "conventioneers." On Sunday morning, a brunch and a spirited discussion on Kashrut, the Jewish dietary laws, brought the week-end to a close. The Park Avenue Synagogue group was most enthusiastic in its praise of its newly made East Midwood friends.

Both of the Youth Groups from the Park Avenue Synagogue made a visit to the United Nations building on March 29th. Being Sunday, none of the U.N. Committees were in session and so the group missed an opportunity to watch the proceedings. However, the trip was worthwhile and the tour was an exciting experience.

During the Passover Holidays, the Judah Halevi Society and the Halutzim took a "vacation."

Roger Waldman wants to remind all teen-agers of a dance to be held early in May under the sponsorship of the Halutzim.

Young Marrieds to Hold Square Dance Folk Dance Caller to Emcee Affair

Hank Greene, Square Dance and Folk Dance Expert for the Fred Astaire Dance Studios, will conduct an exciting and unique Square Dance for the Young Marrieds on Saturday evening, April 18th in the Vestry of the Synagogue from 8:30 P. M. to 1 A. M.

Mr. Greene's program for the evening will include besides the well known dances, such novelties as Circle Mixers, Country Style Party Games, a Folk Dance Exhibition with his wife and Folk Dance Instruction.

The Chairman, Mrs. Seymour Finkelstein and her committee have planned an exciting evening which will feature pop corn popping, picture taking, a midnight supper and unique prizes. Tickets are available at the nominal price of $4 per couple.

The keynote for the evening will be informality. Those attending are requested to dress in their "barnyard" attire; dungarees, plaids, pedal pushers or casual clothes.

All Young Marrieds wishing to make reservations should contact Mrs. Seymour Finkelstein, 737 Park Avenue, New York, TRafalgar 9-0766.

HANK GREENE

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Men's Clubs' Convention To Hear Rabbi Noveck

Rabbi Simon Noveck has been invited to be one of the principal speakers at the annual convention of the National Federation of Men's Clubs to be held this year at the Concord Hotel from May 3rd to 11th. He will speak on the theme, "Modern Jewish Leadership and Adult Jewish Education."

Members of the Men's Club of the Park Avenue Synagogue are urged to attend this Convention to represent the Synagogue and to participate in the deliberations of this important group in the Conservative movement.

On Monday, March 9th, Rabbi Noveck addressed the student body and some members of the faculty of the Seminary at the Rosh Chodesh Breakfast on "The Life and Writings of Milton Steinberg." Rabbi Noveck has also been invited to speak at the Gate City Lodge of B'nai B'rith at Atlanta, Ga. The date for this lecture has not yet been set.

Sisterhood, Men's Club, Parents, to Present "Home Beautiful"

One of the highlights of the season, a gala presentation of the spectacular "Jewish Home Beautiful," will be offered by Sisterhood on the evening of April 21st at 8:00. They will be assisted by the Men's Club who will act as hosts and ushers, and the Parents Association who will decorate and take part in the pageant.

The entire program was written and directed by Mrs. Sophie Ruskay. It was coordinated by Mrs. Irwin H. Rome, Chairman of the Sisterhood Program Committee.

The cast will include Mrs. Solomon Green, Mrs. Helen Strauss, Mrs. Robert Gilbert, Mrs. Benjamin Sack, Mrs. Morris Edelman, Mrs. Theodore Meistrich, Mrs. Shy Rosen, Mrs. David Altschul, and Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer.

Participating in the choir, led by Cantor David Putterman, will be Mrs. Mitchell Leventhal, Mrs. Abraham Harrison, Mrs. Louis Greenstein, Mrs. Hector Ritey, Mrs. Jack Weill, Mrs. Irwin H. Rome and Mrs. William Borgenicht. Some of the members of the Monday night choral group will also assist.

The children's parts will be played by Leone Strauss and Daniel Ritey. Solomon Green will blow the Shofar. Mrs. David Putterman will be in charge of ceremonial objects, Mrs. Isidore Hahn will be consultant for appropriate holiday fare and the accompanist providing musical background is Mrs. Isabella Hesky.

All members of the Synagogue and their friends are urged to attend this unusual and outstanding performance. It is a most impressive presentation which will be enjoyed and remembered.

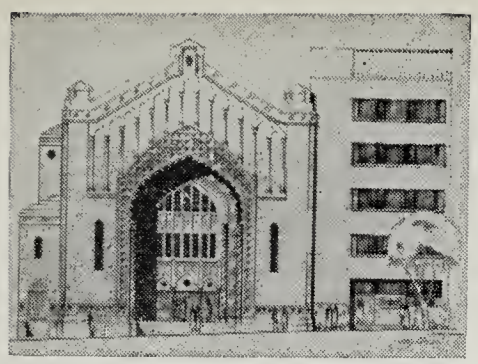
Yizkor Elohim

William R. Rothstein

father of Mrs. Melvin Krulewitch

Louis Salmow

brother of Mrs. Benjamin Marvin



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Over 200 Members Attend Annual Seder Held at Synagogue

Over two hundred members and friends attended the third annual Passover Seder sponsored by the Park Avenue Synagogue, on the second evening of Passover.

The affair this year, followed a theme of blue and gold with tablecloths and napkins blue, and yellow Spring flowers for decoration.

The Seder was conducted by Rabbi Noveck and Cantor Putterman with the assistance of the Synagogue Choir. It followed the traditional and Reconstructionist Prayer Book.

Among the guests was the well known radio and television personality Gertrude Berg (better known as Molly Goldberg). The Seder was a real family affair, according to the Chairman, Mrs. Harry Sokolow, who said a great many family groups attended this year.

Mrs. Sokolow has been Chairman for the three Seders held at the Synagogue.

Avraham Harman to Discuss "Israel" on Friday, April 24

Avraham Harman, Director of the Israel Office of Information in New York, and Counselor to the Israel Delegation to the United Nations, will be the guest speaker at Services, Friday evening, April 24, at 8:30 P.M. His topic will be "Israel — The Next Phase".

Mr. Harman was born in London, England, and was educated at Oxford University. He settled in Israel in 1938 and shortly after spent two years in South Africa, working with the South African Zionist Federation.

AVRAHAM HARMAN

He returned to Jerusalem in 1940, and worked for the Jewish Agency for Palestine as Head of the English Section of the Youth Department, and subsequently, of the English Section of the Information Department. In June 1948, he was appointed Deputy Director of the Press and Information Division of the Ministry for Foreign Affairs, and in July 1949, he went to Canada as the first Israel Consul General.

UJA Committee Plans Brunch for May 10

The United Jewish Appeal Committee, under the Chairmanship of Dr. Harold A. Osserman, Co-Chairman Gustave Yuder and Honorary Chairman, Sanford H. Cohen, has decided to hold a Brunch at the Croyden Hotel on Sunday morning, May 10, at 10:30 A.M. The President of the Park Avenue Synagogue, Jacob Klein, will be the guest of honor at the affair.

Reservations can be made by contacting the Synagogue office, 50 East 87th Street, N. Y., SAcremento 2-8765. All members and their wives are invited. There will be a charge of $3 per person for the Brunch.

The need for funds for the United Jewish Appeal is great, and all members of the Synagogue are urged to give this committee their full support by attending the Brunch.

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday Evening, April 24th ..... 8:30 P.M.
Israel Independence Day
Avraham Harman will discuss:
"Israel — The Next Phase"

Saturday Morning, April 25th ..... 9:45 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Michael Bornstein

Friday Evening, May 1st ..... 8:30 P.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach

Saturday Morning, May 2nd ..... 9:45 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Steven Martin Goldstein

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Division Director, Ben W. Abraham.

Steven M. Goldstein To Have Bar Mitzvah

Steven Martin Goldstein, son of Hon. and Mrs. Nathaniel L. Goldstein will celebrate his Bar Mitzvah on Saturday morning, May 2. He will read the Sedre Emor from the Book of Isaiah.

Steven, a student in the eighth grade at the Riverdale Country School, expects to continue through high school there. He would like to attend Colgate College and eventually become a physician.

He has attended the Religious School of the Park Avenue Synagogue for three years. He studied Hebrew privately before attending the Religious School.

Photograhy is Steven's hobby, and in sports he is active in basketball and football.

Sr. League to Hold Joint Meeting, Dance in April

The Senior League, in celebration of Israel Independence Day will hold a Carnival Dance on Sunday evening, April 19, at 8:30 P.M. in the Vestry of the Synagogue.

A joint meeting with the Senior League of B'nai Jeshurun will be held on Thursday evening. April 23 in the B'nai Jeshurun Community Center, 270 West 89 Street. Dr. Israel Goldstein, Rabbi of the B'nai Jeshurun Congregation and a leading figure in world Jewish affairs, will discuss his recent tour of Germany and other European countries.

A closed meeting of the League will be held in the Vestry of the Synagogue on Thursday evening, April 30. The Nominating Committee will make its report at this time.

SCHOOL NEWS

Registration Month

The Jewish Education Committee has designated this month as REGISTRATION MONTH. During the month, Religious schools in the Metropolitan area will register all new children who will be coming to the school in September, 1953.

The Park Avenue Synagogue Religious School educational program provides for:

PRIMARY DEPARTMENT for children from the ages of 6 through 9. The school, which meets on Sunday morning, aims to familiarize the child with Judaism; its history and its cultural expressions. It develops within him a sense of loyalty and pride in Judaism.

HEBREW DEPARTMENT for children from the ages of 10 through 15. The school, which meets on two afternoons and on Saturday mornings, aims to prepare the child for an active and constructive participation in Jewish life. Instruction in Hebrew, Bible, history, customs and ceremonies and religious worship in the Junior Congregation develop in the child an understanding of the religious concepts, the ethical values and the ritual forms of Judaism.

BAR MITZVAH and BAT MITZVAH for the boys and girls at the age of 13. In accordance with the recommendations of the United Synagogue Commission on Education, a minimum of three years instruction in the Hebrew Department is required for Bar Mitzvah and Bat Mitzvah in the Park Avenue Synagogue.

CONFIRMATION for the boys and girls of 15. This solemn and inspiring ritual which takes place at Shavuot is the culmination of the formal educational program.

The Religious School office will be open every afternoon after 3:00 P.M. for the registration of new students. Parents are urged to begin the Jewish education of their children on the Primary School level so that the child may benefit from a full and rich, religious experience.

Do not delay! Enroll today!

YOUTH NEWS

By DAVID ALAN RUTTENBERG

After the Passover vacation, the Judah Halevi and Halutzim Youth Societies held a joint meeting on Sunday afternoon, April 12. "Here Comes Kelly", a rip roaring comedy, was presented to the many enthusiastic club members.

Following this enjoyable film, the teen-agers conducted a business meeting. At this time, Michelle Kaye and Roger Waldman, Presidents of the Judah Halevi and Halutzim Societies respectively, proposed a merger of the two groups. The plan was unanimously accepted. With all the members now working together as a more closely knit unit, we shall be able to plan a more extensive program for next year. Also discussed at the meeting was a possible youth service to be conducted by the combined youth groups in the near future.

A gala dance will be held on May 2, in the vestry of the Park Avenue Synagogue. This dance to be sponsored by the combined Judah Halevi-Halutzim Youth Club promises to be a great success. Don't miss it. The probable band for the affair will be the popular Blue Notes contingent. Get your dates now for the biggest event of the season.

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In the past few weeks, in addition to the afternoon Youth Clubs at the Synagogue, there has been a Sunday morning brunch-Seminar conducted by our Rabbi, Simon Noveck. The first of the Seminars was held at the home of Gail Kaplan. The Rabbi moderated a spirited discussion on: "What The Younger Generation Knows About Its Own Bible". Three weeks later, Judy Godwin was kind enough to let us use her home for the Seminar group. Rabbi Noveck was unable to attend, but Rabbi Harold "Red" Weisburg of the Society for the Advancement of Judaism, lectured on: "What Is A Sect?" The third of these Seminars was held at the home of Hanna Cohen. "The Jewish Attitude Towards The New Testament" proved to be a very provocative topic that morning.

The group wishes to express its gratitude to Rabbi Noveck for his part in conducting these interesting Seminars. Our thanks also, to Mrs. Meyer Kaplan, Mrs. Saul Godwin and Mrs. Louis Cohen, not only for the use of their homes, but also for the delicious lunches that each served.

Bornstein Bar Mitzvah To be Held April 25

Michael Bornstein, son of Mrs. Sophie Bornstein, will celebrate his Bar Mitzvah on Saturday morning, April 25. His portion of the Seder will be Achare K'doshim from the book of Amos. He will read and interpret it in his own words.

Michael was born in Poland and has been in the United States for a year and a half. He has attended the Park Avenue Synagogue Religious School since his arrival.

A student in P.S. No. 6, Michael is in the seventh grade. He hopes to attend the High School of Science upon his graduation. His ambition is to someday be a physician. Mathematics is his favorite subject.

An ardent sports enthusiast, Michael's favorite sport is baseball. He is an active philatelist and also enjoys dancing.

Yizkor Elohim

Joseph H. Schwartz
father of Milton Schwartz

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mother of Mrs. Beatrice Klenert,
grandmother of Mrs. Howard Kieval

Bessie Weisman
mother of Mrs. Robert Widlitz

Albert I. Gordon
brother of Mrs. A. V. Levey

Augusta Sucharipa
aunt of Margaret Vitelli

Klein Family Donates To Steinberg Memorial

The children of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Klein made a contribution of $500 to the Milton Steinberg Memorial Fund in honor of the birthday of the President of the Synagogue, Jacob Klein.

Mazel Tov

TO Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Luebeck on their 30th Anniversary, April 15.

TO Bertha Davidson on her 87th Birthday, April 29.

TO Frieda Davidson on her 83rd Birthday, April 29.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Louis Heller on the Birth of their son, Hiram Daniel, to his Grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Heller and his great Grandparents, Mrs. Mathilda Heller and Mrs. Frieda Davidson.

CULLING ALL BULLETINS

By ALMA and THEODORE KAPLAN

Some congregations seem to have come up with "bright ideas" for enhancing family solidarity along with family-synagogue inter-relationships.

Sabbath afternoons have become party-time for the children of Congregation Shearith Israel, the *Spanish and Portuguese Synagogue.* Each week a children's Oneg Shabbat is held, lively wth songs, stories, and refreshments. A festive atmosphere prevails amid decorations and flowers.

Finally, the *Park Synagogue in Cleveland, Ohio,* has inaugurated a series of gay *family* Oneg Shabbat by permitting all arrangements for same to be concentrated in one family group each week. Dates are assigned far in advance, and following the late Friday Evening Services, the entire congregation becomes the guests of the host-family for the evening. A woman member of the clan lights the candles and recites her usual blessing, while one of the men-folks receives the honor of opening the Ark at the Olenu portion of the service.

Men's Club to Honor Its Retiring President

On Tuesday evening, May 26, the Men's Club will celebrate its fifth anniversary at a buffet supper to be held in the Vestry.

The retiring president, Joseph Howard Katz, will be presented with a citation for his outstanding service to the Club.

Cocktails will be served at 6:30 P.M., followed by a festive buffet supper.

Following the supper, new officers and directors will be elected and installed.

This supper meeting promises to be a fitting climax to five years of continuing progress by the Men's Club.

All members of the Men's Club are most cordially invited to attend and join in the celebration.

No charge, of course!

Chairman of Board Announces Appointment

Sanford H. Cohen, Chairman of the Board of Trustees has announced the appointment of Nelson Ruttenberg as Chairman of the Bulletin Committee. Members of the Committee will be Dudley Greenstein and Robert Barzilay.

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Parents Will Hold Cocktail Party For Steinberg Memorial Fund

The Cocktail Party, sponsored by the Parents Association for the Milton Steinberg Memorial Fund, will be held from 4 to 7 P.M. on Sunday afternoon, April 26 in the gaily decorated Vestry of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

Tickets have been sent to all the members of the Synagogue for this affair, the only fund raising project undertaken by the Parents Association. From the enthusiastic response on the part of the Board of Trustees and the membership at large, this function promises to be one of the gala social events of the season.

The committee, of which Mrs. Edward Joseph is chairman, has made arrangements for an orchestra to provide music for dancing. Hors d'oeuvres will be served, and there will be many door prizes for the lucky winners. Plans have been made for an unusually enjoyable get-together.

Those who have not already sent their checks for tickets, are urged to do so at once to enable the committee to make proper arrangements. Remittances should be mailed to Mrs. Nelson Ruttenberg, Treasurer, 38 East 85 Street, New York 28, N. Y.

Those attending will not only have a wonderful time, but will also be contributing to a wonderful cause.

Psychoanalyst to Speak At Young Marrieds

"Marriages, Healthy, Sick and Dead," will be the subject of Dr. George Lawton when he addresses the Young Marrieds' on Tuesday Evening, May 12, in the Vestry of the Synagogue.

Dr. Lawton is a practicing psychoanalyst and marriage counselor as well as a visiting lecturer on the psychology of marital adjustments at Columbia University.

Author the the successful *"How to Be Happy Though Young,"* Dr. Lawton is currently preparing a book dealing with the emotional maturity in men and women and its relationship to a successful marriage.

According to Dr. Lawton, his talk with the Young Marrieds' will embrace what makes up a poor marriage; why some marriages are in serious trouble and why some marriages exist only legally and geographically.

Dr. Lawton's background includes membership in the American Association of Marriage Counselors, and the National Psychological Association for Psychoanalysis. He is also a Diplomate in Clinical Psychology of the American Board of Examiners in Professional Psychology.

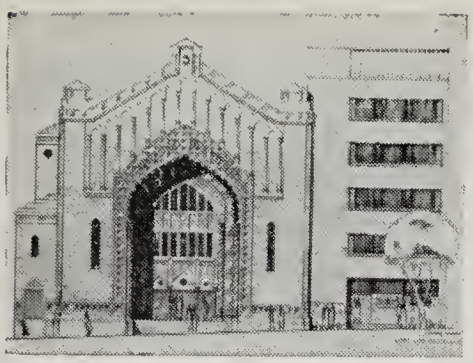
Sidney Silberman, president of the Young Marrieds' extends an invitation to all members of the Synagogue to attend what promises to be an interesting and educational evening. Following Dr. Lawton's address an open forum and social will prevail.

Sisterhood Announces Luncheon Chairmen

Plans and preparations are already under way for Sisterhood's Annual Luncheon which is scheduled for Wednesday, December 2. All efforts will be put forth to make this affair an outstanding social and financial success. Mrs. Sanford Cohen and Mrs. Harry Sokolow will be Co-Chairmen of this year's luncheon.

Last year's Journal was a financial success and Mrs. Saul Granetts, the Chairman, will again assume the responsibility.

Sisterhood's final meeting of the year will be held on Monday afternoon, May 18, at 1:30 P.M. Installation of officers and the annual Birthday Party will be highlights of the meeting.



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Cantor to be Honored at Musical Service

ISADORE FREED

THE COMPOSER

Isadore Freed, born in 1900, was brought to Philadelphia as a child of three and started his musical life by winning a scholarship at the age of 8; earning a Bachelor's degree at the University of Pennsylvania at 18 and being awarded the Philadelphia Conservatory Gold Medal in piano-playing the same year. He continued his studies in composition with Ernest Bloch, piano with George Boyle and Josef Hofmann and organ with Rollo Maitland.

At 23 he was a faculty member of the Curtis Institute, teaching piano and theory. When the Friends of Chamber Music Society presented an all Freed program of chamber works at the age of 25, he was encouraged to make compostion his prime interest and go to Europe for further study. Here his previous training was supplemented by work at the Schola Cantorum in Paris with Vincent d'Indy in composition and Maurice Sergeant and Louis Vierne on the organ .

In Paris he gave joint concerts with Arthur Honegger, with Albert Rousell

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Eleventh Liturgical Service To Mark 20th Anniversary Of Cantor Putterman

The Eleven'h Annual Service of the New Liturgical Music by Contemporary Composers, will be held on Friday evening, May 15 at 8:30 P.M. It will be the World Premiere performance of a "Sacred Service for the Sabbath Eve" by the renowned American composer, Isadore Freed.

The evening's program will be dedicated to Cantor David Putterman upon the anniversary of twenty years of devoted service to the Park Avenue Synagogue.

Cantor Putterman assisted by the Synagogue Choir augmented, under the direction of Max Helfman with George Crook at the Organ, will perform this new work.

These annual services which have steadily grown in stature are accepted as a major musical event, not only in the Park Avenue Synagogue, but in the realm of general music as well. These programs are dedicated to the enhancement of Jewish worship; to a wider diffusion and utilization of the resources of Jewish Music; and to the encouragement of those who devote their lives and genius to its enrichment.

THE WORK

Much as the spiritual leaders of American Jewry have recognized the need of giving to our ancient sacred writings a rabbinical interpretation that befits our present day living, drawing from the wisdom of the past to help sustain life in our time, so it is the task of the composer of music for the American Synagogue to preserve the noblest aspects of our musical Tradition and to mold them into a truly vital and contemporary idiom.

Many parts of this service are based on biblical cantillation or traditional

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CANTOR DAVID PUTTERMAN

Cantor David Putterman was the first American trained Cantor, the first to conceive and to bring to fruition his now world famous Services of Contemporary Liturgical Music as well as the fact that he was a prime mover in the establishment of the Department of Music of the United Synagogue and the Cantors Assembly .

David Putterman prepared for the cantorate under Zeidel Rovner and Zavel Zilberts and at the age of 18, he began to serve his first congregation: Temple Israel of Washington Heights in New York City. From here, in 1933, he was called to the Park Avenue Synagogue where he has served ever since.

Here he conceived the idea that it was equally important to revitalize Synagogue music in general. David Putterman each year since 1943, has invited some of the world's most distinguished contemporary composers who, for the first time, gave of their creative genius and composed new musical settings for the Sabbath eve service, which have be-

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Chairman of Board Reveals Appointments

Sanford H. Cohen, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, has announced the appointment of the following committees.

School Board: Victor Herwitz, Chairman: Mrs. Ezra Cohen, Mrs. Herman Helpern, Mrs. Victor Herwitz, Edward Kaye, Nelson Ruttenberg, Milton Selig, Mrs. Stanley Simon, Archie Thurman, Bernard Weintraub and Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer.

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Harry J. Sokolow has recently been appointed to the Membership Committee. Other members have already been announced.

Services to be Held By Jr. Congregation

The Annual May Service of the Junior Congregation will be held on Saturday morning, May 23, at 10 A. M. in the synagogue. The entire Sabbath service will be conducted by the boys and girls of the Religious School.

In previous years, the members of the congregation, who had an opportunity to observe and participate in the services as conducted by the students, were impressed with the attitude and the ability shown by the young people.

For the students of the Religious School, the May Service is a culminating experience of the year. For the older members of the congregation, the May Service is a stimulating emotional and religious experience.

Rabbi Noveck is compiling a list of all students in the congregation who are attending college or professional schools. Parents are urged to write or telephone Mrs. Helen Pincus, Rabbi Noveck's secretary, and give her the name, address and the university attended by their sons and daughters.

Message from UJA Chairman

I wish I could speak to each of you personally about the urgent importance of the United Jewish Appeal campaign. But time is short and our people can't wait, so I am taking this means of urging you to make your contribution.

The recent wave of anti-Semitism in Eastern Europe has taught us that danger may strike our people at any time. The Jews behind the Iron Curtain live in constant fear of renewed persecution, and their only hope is to reach safety in Israel. Your gift is needed desperately to save lives and to help Israel become strong so that it can offer a haven to the weak and the oppressed.

Please give generously—give more than ever before—and give now. We must act in time to save lives. We can't wait until Jews die before coming to their aid.

Sincerely,
FREDA SACK
UJA Chairman

SCHOOL NEWS

Registration

New students may be registered for the September term of the Primary and Hebrew Departments of the Religious School during the months of May and June. The size of classes is limited and parents are, therefore, urged to telephone or call at the school office to complete all arrangements for the enrollment of their children.

School Picnic

The annual Lag B'Omer Field Day and Picnic for all the students of the Religious School will be held on Sunday, May 17 at Randall's Island.

The program for the day includes a bus trip to the picnic grounds, track and field events, group games, dances, songs and cheers. A Father and Son baseball game will be a feature of the picnic. At the conclusion of the picnic, prizes will be awarded to the winners of all athletic events.

Students, who wish to attend the field day, must have their parents' permission. Parents are urged to return the consent post cards to the office immediately.

End-Of-Year Program

Closing exercises for the Primary Department will be held on Sunday, May 24 in the vestry of the synagogue. As part of the program, each class will hold an end-of-term party with games, entertainment and refreshments.

The Hebrew Department will continue sessions through the second week in June.

Yizkor Elohim

Barney Schlinger
brother of Clara Schlinger, Sadie Schlinger, Tillie Spielman and Flo English

Goodman Edelstein
husband of Mrs. G. Edelstein

David M. Bilsky
husband of Mrs. Mildred Bilsky

Bertha Allenson
mother of Mrs. Mildred Bilsky

Louis Simon
father of Stanley Simon

Emilie Weill
sister of Mrs. Louis Metzger

Synagogue Groups Hold Final Meetings, Plan for Fall

Pediatrician to Address Parents Group in May

The Parents Association will hold its final meeting of the year on Wednesday evening, June 3 in the Vestry of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

Dr. Lawrence Shapiro, well known pediatrician and a Fellow of the American Academy of Pediatrics, will be the guest speaker. "The Role of the Synagogue in the Sex Education of Children" will be the topic of his address.

The Parents Association has been most fortunate in securing the services of such an interesting and able speaker. Dr. Shapiro, author of "My Baby is Different," has been Pediatric Consultant to the gifted children's Research Project at the School of Education at New York University, and has given many lectures on sex education at Teacher's College. An article on this subject, written by Dr. Shapiro, will appear in a subsequent issue of Parents Magazine.

For the past three years, Dr. Shapiro's courses on "Sex Education for Children" have been included in the school curriculum at Society for Advancement of Judaism. Those who have attended his lectures have been favorably impressed by the manner in which he discusses this vital topic.

The business part of the meeting will be devoted to the adoption of the new constitution of the Parents Association and to the election of officers for the coming year.

The Work

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prayer modes; but the musical settings of psalms, prayers and responses by no means constitute new arrangements of old melodies. Rather, these motifs are treated as cells or nuclei from which the organic whole of the musical composition has been developed. Thus, from traditional roots a work has grown that is contemporary in spirit and structure.

This service was written at the invitation of Cantor David J. Putterman and acknowledgement is made to Cantor Putterman for transmitting to the composer some traditional chants which were utilized for the cantorial portions connecting various prayers.

The Young Marrieds will hold their final meeting of the year on Tuesday evening, June 9 in the Vestry of the Synagogue. Election of officers will be held, followed by a social get-together and refreshments. All members are invited to attend.

Mazel Tov

TO Cantor Putterman on his Birthday, May 29.

TO Mr. and Mrs. William Riemer on the Arrival of a daughter, Hope Ellen.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Schwebel on the Birth of a granddaughter, Jane.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Samson Hittner on the Birth of a granddaughter.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Philip Friedman on the Engagement of their daughter, Joan, to Harold Gruener.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Barney Balaban on the Marriage of their daughter, Judy.

TO Rosa Blumenthal on her 80th Birthday, May 3.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Haft on their 30th Wedding Anniversary, May 3.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Starr on their 10th Wedding Aniversary, May 4.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Wm. Greenfield on their 50th Wedding Anniversary.

Five Students Will Celebrate Bar Mitzvahs in May, June

During the latter part of May and June, five students will celebrate their Bar Mitzvahs and Bas Mitzvah.

On May 30, Susan L. Jacob, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Godfried Jacob will celebrate her Bas Mitzvah. Peter A. Bienstock, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Bienstock will be Bar Mitzvah June 6.

On June 13, Jack H. Nusbaum, son of Mr. and Mrs. Simon J. Nusbaum, June 20, Anthony D. Berns, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Berns, and June 27, Stanley Sandler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Murray Sandler will celebrate their Bar Mitzvahs.

Sisterhood Plans Fall Brunch, Theatre Party

In place of the Annual Donor Luncheon, Sisterhood, this year, will hold a combination Brunch and Theatre Party. Along with this unique affair, those attending will have an opportunity to win two grand prizes: a five day cruise for two and a weekend at one of the top flight hotels. The affair will be held on Wednesday, December 2, 1953, at the Astor Hotel.

Booklets containing twenty shares, at one dollar each and ad blanks will be issued upon request to those who wish to take advantage of the summer season and get an early start. The sale of one complete booklet will entitle the member to the brunch, a ticket to an outstanding Broadway show and an opportunity to win one of the two grand prizes, and $60 worth of ads will entitle the member to a ticket to the Brunch and Theatre Party.

Share booklets may be obtained from Mrs. Sanford H. Cohen, ATwater 9-7638; ad blanks from Mrs. Saul Granetts, TRafalgar 9-8919. One need not be a Sisterhood member to participate.

Sr. League to Elect; Plan for YPL Convo

The Senior League will hold its final meeting of the year on Thursday evening, May 21 at 8:30 P.M. in the Vestry of the Synagogue. The meeting is for members only and election of officers and members of the Executive Board for the coming year will be held. The allocation of the philanthropic fund and annual reports by the officers and committees will be given. All members are urged to attend.

The annual Young Peoples League Convention will be held the weekend of May 28 to 31, at the Congress Hotel in Chicago. Those who wish to attend should contact either Alice Schachter or Bob Barzilay (WA 3-3910 and TR 3-8800 respectively) and arrangements will be made for the trip.

Book Review:

WHAT IS A JEW?

By Morris N. Kertzer

Rabbi Morris N. Kertzer, formerly Associate Rabbi of the Park Avenue Synagogue, and presently Director of Inter-religious Activities of the American Jewish Committee, has recently written "What is a Jew?" This book has received excellent reviews in all the newspapers, and should make good reading over the summer.

The following is an excerpt from the review in the *Jewish Book Guild News*.

How simple the question posed in the title of this book appears, and yet, how many of us can explore its challenge to the fullest as it applies to the customs, beliefs, and attitudes of the Jews as a people and as it involves the deepest meanings of Judaism as a religion, a culture, a way of life? To arrive at an understanding of the question itself requires vast knowledge and profound wisdom . But to arrive at a satisfactory answer one must have at his fingertips not only keen foresight but a lifetime of meaningful experience as well. Rabbi Kertzer, one of our most distinguished contemporary leaders, has met this challenge admirably in his book, offering the reader both a memorable experience and a substantial outlook on Judaism.

More than a cursory or even a definitive study, this volume is in essence a guide to a living faith. Dealing with more than one hundred questions that have perplexed most of us at one time or another, this eminent rabbi offers answers that dispel our doubts by increasing our knowledge and understanding of who and what we are.

To answer this concretely, the author delves into every phase of Judaism, its history, its observances, and its people. The explanations he offers are necessarily diverse, for he considers the attitudes of all Jewish groups—Orthodox, Conservative, and Reform—as well as those of Jews who do not affiliate themselves with any organized group but who, in their own way, observe the Jewish creed.

Perhaps the best capsule description of WHAT IS A JEW? is contained in Rabbi Kertzer's own words:

"In general, this portrayal of the Jewish way of looking at things attempts to convey some of the warmth, the glow and the serenity of Judaism: the enchantment of fine books; the captivating color of Hasidism; the keen insights of Babylonian rabbis into human relations; the sane, level-headed wisdom of the medieval philosophers; the mirthful spirit of scholars more than sixteen centuries ago; and the abiding sense of compassion that permeates our tradition. It is in this way—and only in this way—that anyone can give a meaningful answer to the question, "What Is A Jew?"

UJA Brunch Honors Synagogue President

At the brunch held on Sunday, May 10, at the Hotel Croyden, on behalf of the United Jewish Appeal, Mr Sanford H. Cohen, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Park Avenue Synagogue, presented a scroll to Mr. Jacob Klein, President of the Synagogue.

The scroll read as follows: The Park Avenue Synagogue Division of the United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York presents this scroll to JACOB KLEIN as a token of the deep regard and esteem in which he is held by all who have labored with him in the great task of human reconstruction symbolized by the United Jewish Appeal.

Honored by his associates for his never-failing sympathy and warm generosity toward those in need or in danger, he has earned the profound respect of his co-workers and the undying gratitude of the Jewish people throughout the world.

His example has been an inspiration to those who sek to aid in the rescue and resettlement of homeless and endangered Jews; in the fulfillment of the heroic tasks of immigration, absorption, education and development in Israel and other democratic havens; in the maintenance of morale services to our armed forces and in the safeguarding and extension of human rights and democratic values at home and abroad.

Presented at a brunch in his honor, at the Hotel Croyden, May 10, 1953.

Samuel Hausman, Benjamin Lazarus, Abraham Levitt, Jerome I. Udell, J. D. Weiler, Chairmen.

A limited number of copies of "A Believing Jew", Rabbi Milton Steinberg's last book are available at a special price of $1.50. Those members wanting them are urged to act immediately. Contact Mr. Rosenthal at the Synagogue office.

YOUTH NEWS

By DAVID ALAN RUTTENBERG

The combined youth groups of the Judah Halevi Society and the Halutzim held a gala spring dance on Saturday evening, May 9 in the Vestry of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

All those who attended had an enjoyable time and agreed that the dance was an outstanding success. Enlivened by the "cool" bebop of the Blue Notes, the affair attracted many teen-agers from other youth groups as well as many members of the Park Avenue Synagogue's newly formed Youth Society. For those who were not Fred Astaires or Vera Ellens, the delicious refreshments and the congenial atmosphere provided a magnificent evening of entertainment.

A Dinner-Dance will be held on Decoration Day, May 30 in the Synagogue Vestry, which will be most attractively decorated with a "cafe" atmosphere.

The Youth Group wishes to express its thanks to Mrs. Herman Helpern, Mrs. Harry Zucker and Mrs. Bruno Foa of the Parents Association for their cooperation in the planning of this affair. It was made possible with the financial assistance of the Parents Assocation for which we are very grateful.

The Sunday Brunches have continued to be successful. This project was undertaken by Rabbi Simon Noveck to afford the teen-agers an opportunity to get together and to discuss topics, not only on Jewish subjects but also on matters of general interest. These discussions have been of real value to all those who have attended the several sessions which have already taken place. The last meeting was held at the home of Marilyn Greenberg on Sunday, May 3. Prior to that, the group met at the home of Jonathan Freedman. Our thanks to Mrs. Irving Greenberg and to Mrs. Jules Freedman for making their homes available and for their tasty brunches.

This will be our last message to you for the current season. Come and join us when the fall season opens.

Cantor Putterman

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come veritable treasures to the enrichment of musical liturgy of the Synagogue.

David Putterman's entire career has been devoted to the cultural advancement of Jewish music and to elevating the standards and status of the American Cantorate. He is the Director of the Department of Music of the United Synagogue of America, where he is devoting himself energetically to these tasks and is the spiritual father of the Cantors Institute of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America.

He has appeared as soloist in Carnegie Hall, Town Hall and New York's Lewisohn Stadium. He has given hundreds of concert-recitals of Jewish music throughout America and remains a featured soloist of the Seminary's Eternal Light program.

Composer

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and Alexandre Tansman. During his five years abroad his works were performed by many organizations in France, England, Belgium, Holland, Sweden and Denmark. Seven of his large works (two for Symphony orchestra) were published by French publishers. For three years he was conductor of the "Concerts Spirituels" in Paris. Upon his return to the United States, he resumed his activity as composer, conductor, organist and lecturer. Many major American and Canadian orchestras have played his orchestral music.

Isadore Freed has appeared as guest conductor of the Philadelphia Orchestra, the NBC Symphony and the San Francisco Symphony, directing his own Second Symphony and other works. He has won numerous prizes, honors, and commissions; has lectured at New York University; Rutgers University, Philadelphia Art Alliance, San Francisco Institute of Music and Art, New England Conservatory, etc.

In the general music field he is National co-chairman of American Composition for the "National Federation of Music Clubs", was symposium chairman for the Composer's-Authors Guild and co-chairman of the New England Music Critic's Symposium. He has written two operas, twelve works for symphony orchestra, concertos for violin and for cello, much chamber music and many solo and choral works. Seventy of these are published by publishers in the United States, England, France and Australia. In the liturgical field, he is one of the leaders of the current renaissance of Jewish Sacred music in the United States. He has published many compositions for the synagogal liturgy, including his "Sacred Service for Sabbath Morning", premiered at Temple Emanu-El in 1938 a series of organ preludes and many separate psalms and canticles for Jewish worship.

For 14 years he was organist and music director at Temple Keneseth in Philadelphia. For the past six years he has held a similar post at Temple Israel in Lawrence, Long Island.

Parents Hold Successful Party For Benefit of Steinberg Memorial

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

The Cocktail Party, sponsored by the Parents Association on April 26 in the Vestry of the Park Avenue Synagogue, was a tremendous success. Over three hundred people attended, and all were most enthusiastic in their praise.

Despite its limitations, the Vestry was charmingly transformed into a scene of gaiety and good cheer with long tables laden with tasty appetizers and hors d'oeuvres. The two "bars", under the able supervision of Leon Klein, chairman, his assistants, M. Stowe, E. Foster and Albert Siegel, looked most tempting.

Jack Abram's peppy orchestra supplied the music for dancing, and those who came "just to show their good will" found themselves remaining long after seven o'clock. Many an old friend enjoyed a visit over a martini and an appetizer.

To Mrs. Edward Joseph, chairman and her committee; to Mrs. Herman Helpern, President of the Parents Association; and to Mrs. Harry Zucker, Chairman of the Executive Board, go a vote of thanks for their efforts in making this affair such a splendid success.

The Executive Board also wishes to express its gratitude to Mrs. Aaron Schoenbaum, chairman of refreshments and hospitality, who was ably assisted by Mrs. M. Stowe, Mrs. Bruno Foa, Mrs. M. Gelfand, and Mrs. C. Weisberg; to Mrs. George Heyman, Mrs. Meyer Kaplan, and Mrs. I. E. Gevirtz for their efforts in collecting the attractive door prizes and raffles; to Mrs. Stanley Simon, Mrs. A. Stangel, and Mrs. C. Alberts for their original, attractive decorations of the Vestry, and to Mrs. Albert Siegel for obtaining such an excellent orchestra. Our thanks to Nelson Ruttenberg and Harry Zucker, who protected the door and kept such accurate accounts.

Mr. Edward Joseph did a fine job as M.C. and auctioned off the "left-overs" so efficiently that the total receipts were immensely increased from this source.

Those charming, attractive ladies who greeted the guests, sold raffles and generally assisted were: Mrs. E. Foster, Mrs. I. E. Gevirtz, Mrs. B. Grauer, Mrs. Victor Herwitz, Mrs. Leon Klein, Mrs. Saul Levy, Mrs. Hector Ritey, Mrs. Jacob J. Rosenblum, Mrs. M. Stowe, and Mrs. H. Strauss.

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Sisterhood Announces Officer Nominees for '53

Due to the Shavuoth Holiday, Sisterhood's May meeting will be held on Monday, May 18, at 1:30 P.M. Please note this change in date and plan to attend. Elaborate preparations are being made to make this combination Birthday Party and Installation of Officers a festive occasion.

The new slate of officers is as follows: President, Mrs. Sigmund Siegel; First Vice President, Mrs. Irwin H. Rome; Second Vice President, Mrs. Benjamin Sack; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Saul Granetts; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Maurice Manheimer; Financial Secretary, Mrs. Mortimer Millheiser; Treasurer, Mrs. William Karmiol; Chaplain, Mrs. Samuel Wimpfheimer; New Board Members (one year), Mrs. David Altschul, Mrs. Herman Helpern, Mrs. Meyer Kaplan and Mrs. Solomon Green.

Men's Club to Elect; Honor Retiring Prexy

On Tuesday evening, May 26, the Men's Club will celebrate its fifth anniversary at a buffet dinner to be held in the Vestry, preceeded by cocktails at 6:30 P.M.

The highlight of the evening will be the presentation of a citation to Joseph Howard Katz for his outstanding service as President of the Club during the past four years. Mr. Katz was recently elected Vice Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Synagogue and he is therefore relinquishing the Presidency of the Club. Sanford H. Cohen, the Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Synagogue, will present the citation in behalf of the Club.

Following the dinner, new officers and directors will be elected and installed. The inducting officers will be Rabbi Noveck and Jacob Klein, President of the Synagogue.

Benjamin Sack, Dr. E. D. Friedman and Dr. S. S. Gross, former Vice President of the National Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs, will also join the speakers in the fifth anniversary celebration.

Judge Maxwell Shapiro will be Chairman of the evening's activities.

This last meeting of the current season promises to be a fitting climax to five years of continuing progress by Men's Club.

All members are invited to attend and join in the celebration. No charge, of course.

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday Evening, May 15 . . . . . 8:30 P.M.
11th Annual Service of New Liturgical Music

Saturday Morning, May 16 . . . . . 9:45 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Richard Pesikoff

SHAVUOTH SERVICES

First Evening, Tuesday, May 19 . . . . . 6:00 P.M.
First Morning, Wednesday, May 20 . . . . . 9:30 A.M.

CONFIRMATION SERVICE

Second Evening, Wednesday, May 20 . . . . . 6:00 P.M.
Second Morning, Thursday, May 21 . . . . . 9:30 A.M.

YISKOR (MEMORIAL) SERVICES
Rabbi Simon Noveck will preach

Saturday Morning, May 23 . . . . . 9:45 A.M.
Junior Congregation Service

Confirmation Service to be Part of Annual Shavuoth Services, May 20

The annual Confirmation exercises will be held on the first morning of Shavuoth, Wednesday, May 20. Thirteen students who have fulfilled the requirements for Confirmation will be presented to the congregation for certification. In addition two of the students, Alice Heyman and Theodore A. Zucker, will receive certificates of graduation from the five year course in the Hebrew Department of the Religious School.

The program of confirmation studies for the year has been based upon the "Great Jewish Books" and papers on some of the outstanding books and writers in our past will be read by some of the confirmands. The students will also play an active role in the Shavuoth Service on that morning.

Mr. Victor J. Herwitz, chairman of the School Board, will present the confirmands with bibles, a gift from Sisterhood, and diplomas. On behalf of the Men's Club, Mr. Joseph Howard Katz will present the Youth Leadership Award.

In addition three $25 prizes have been donated by Mr. Jacob Klein:

$25 in honor of Mr. Klein's parents, Adolph and Rosa Klein;
$25 in honor of Mrs. Klein's parents, Abraham and Frances Bock; and
$25 as a Milton Steinberg prize.

Mr. Jacob Klein will also contribute a fountain pen to each of the graduates and confirmants.

The parents of the confirmands will hold a reception in honor of the students in the vestry of the synagogue immediately after the service.

The following students have fulfilled all the requirements for Confirmation: Alan Aaron, Jill Appleman, Susan Berns, Meryl Blau, Sandra Cohen, Eleanor Foa, Sandra Gevirtz, Alice Heyman, Alice Helpern, Robert Kaufman, Gary Manacher, Doris Wimpfheimer and Theodore Zucker.

During the summer members will receive their assigned tickets for the Rosh Hashonah, Thursday and Friday, September 10 and 11, and Yom Kippur, Saturday, September 19.

Cocktail Party

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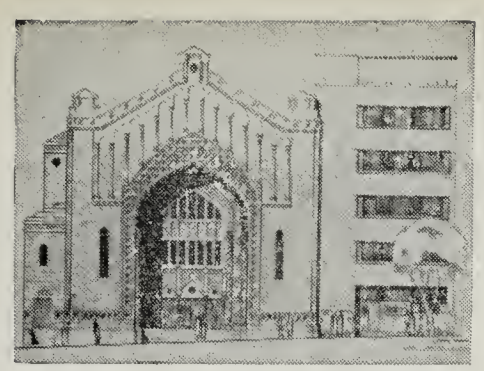
The funds derived from this affair will be contributed to the Milton Steinberg Memorial Fund to help toward the construction of the new school building adjoining the synagogue. This was the only fund raising event conducted by the Parents Association, and the officers and members of the Executive Board are grateful to all those who played a part in making it such a huge success.

If you wish the names of your departed memorialized, please fill in the enclosed card and return to the Synagogue office.



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Memorial Building Site Dedicated

On July 3, 1953 at 9:30 A.M. the site (on which the new Milton Steinberg Memorial Building will rise) was dedicated and prayers and thanksgiving offered. Rabbi Noveck read a passage from the Book of Kings about the difficulties of King Solomon in the erection of the Temple. "From the fourth to the eleventh years of his reign the building proceeded"

Then Cantor Putterman read the 84th Psalm and those present recited the prayer.

Present beside the Rabbi and Cantor were Messrs. Jacob Klein, Sanford H. Cohen, Isidore M. Cohen, Archie Thurman, Julian Jacobs, Saul Horowitz, Mortimer Millheiser, Edith Steinberg, Mrs. Siegel, Irving Lipkowitz, Emanuel Rosenthal, Saul Godwin, Harry Sokolow, and the office staff.

A photographer took pictures of the gathering (see dedication picture) which will form part of the archives of the Synagogue.

H. R. H. Construction Corp. supplied a steam shovel and

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High Holy Days Usher in Our New Year

JUNIOR CONGREGATION TO HOLD SPECIAL SERVICES

The Park Avenue Synagogue will usher in the Jewish New Year on Wednesday, September 9, at 6:00 P.M. The High Holy Day services this year will be conducted by Rabbi Simon Noveck and Cantor David J. Putterman assisted by the Synagogue Choir and organist, George Crook.

Cantor Abraham Friedman will conduct the early Shacharit services in the Main Synagogue while Rabbi Sanford David Shanblatt, the Rabbi for the Vestry, will conduct them in the Vestry. Isidore Hahn will blow the Shofar.

A special Junior Congregation service will take place on Thursday and Friday mornings, September 10 and 11, at 11:30 A.M., September 18, at 6:30 P.M. and September 19, at 11:30 A.M and 5:30 P.M. under the direction of Baruch Levine with the assistance of some of the young people at the Jewish Museum.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Rosh Hashanah Eve, Wednesday, Sept. 9.....5:45 P.M.
Rosh Hashanah Morning, Thursday Sept. 10..8:30 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach:
"The Modern Mood—How Can We Change It?"
Second Evening, Thursday, Sept. 10.....5:45 P.M.
Second Morning, Friday, Sept. 11.....8:30 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will speak on:
"New Goals for An American Jewry"
Friday Evening, Sept. 11.....5:45 P.M.
Shabbat Shuvah, Saturday, Sept. 12 .....9:45 A.M.
Kol Nidre, Friday, Sept. 18.....6:30 P.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach:
"What Do We Mean By A Vital Religion?"
Yom Kippur, Saturday, Sept. 19.....8:30.A.M.
Sermon will be:
"Can Human Nature Be Changed?"
Yizkor (Memorial Services).....3:00 P.M.
Rabbi Noveck will deliver a brief sermonette before *Yiskor*
"The Seal of Life"
Musical portions under the direction of Cantor David J. Putterman

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from the desk of Rabbi Noveck

It is a real pleasure to greet you all on the occasion of the New Year and to know that we shall soon be together again and renew our attachment to the great tradition we all share in common.

Ours is an age of anxiety. Never before in many centuries have men been so concerned with the deeper and abiding values of life. Never before has there been such a questing spirit about life and its ultimate meaning.

One of the great sources to which we must turn if we are to find an answer to our restless search is the synagogue and its historic teachings. If we but understand these teachings they can help us to overcome our spiritual loneliness and bind us closer to one another. They can help us emotionally to face life more courageously and add new dimensions to our being by giving us a past to which to turn and a future in which to hope.

I have been very much gratified that during the past spring and even during the summer many of you have come to me to discuss your personal problems and to seek help for the anxieties, fears and inner conflicts that at times beset even the strongest of us. There are not always answers to life's great dilemmas but the chance to talk in absolute confidence oftentimes has some value. Busy as a Rabbi is in this big city, to me no activity is quite so important as these close personal relationships. I am available at all times to those who want to see me.

New Year Greetings

May I take this opportunity to thank all of you who have written me during the summer while on vacation. Now that I am beginning my fifth year among you, beyond all the satisfactions that come to a Rabbi as preacher, teacher and administrator, the most enduring is this feeling of personal friendship I am privileged to share with so many of you. To those of you whom I have not yet gotten to know, I hope that during the coming year there will be a chance to do so. I look forward eagerly to the opportunity.

To each of you and your families may God grant a year of health, creative activity and abiding good.

SIMON NOVECK

message of the Board Chairman

As Chairman of the Board of Trustees, it is with great pleasure that I greet the members of the congregation and their families in this first issue of the 1953-1954 year.

This is an important and challenging year. The commencement of the operations for the building of the MILTON STEINBERG MEMORIAL BUILDING should be thrilling and exciting to all of us. Its completion during the year will permit the extension of our program and be a great comfort to the parents whose children are attending and will attend the Hebrew Classes and School.

Our junior and senior groups will be able to meet and gather in pleasant surroundings and will be able to avail themselves of the opportunity for the expansion of their programs.

The Board of Trustees is grateful to the members of the congregation who have made all of this possible by their financial assistance and, it is hoped, that we will have the continued cooperation of our members.

For myself, and on behalf of the Board of Trustees, I extend Holiday Greetings and good wishes for a Happy Year.

SANFORD H. COHEN

message from the Cantor

All those who worship with us are familiar with the stirring chants we sing of the *B'sefer Chayim* and the *Hayom T'amtsenu*. Let us sing then with fervor so that the lives of all of us may be truly blessed as expressed by the poetic liturgy of these prayers.

"May we be remembered and inscribed in the book of life for blessing, peace and good sustenance . . . we and all Thy people, the house of Israel. Mayest Thou accept our prayers in mercy and with favor . . . and mayest Thou uphold us with the power of Thy righteousness. Amen".

These are the prayerful hopes for the coming New Year of Amy and myself for each and all of you in our beloved Synagogue family.

DAVID J. PUTTERMAN

message from the President

"Happy New Year" is the usual greeting exchanged during High Holiday week. But I much prefer to use the traditional salution—"Leshono Tova Teekoosef".

"Leshono Tova Teekoosef," then—may you be inscribed for a good, healthy, prosperous year in the Book of Life. Not only for this year, but for many years to come.

At least one of our hopes has been realized during the year just past. Construction of the Memorial to our beloved Rabbi Milton Steinberg is well under way. The building represents fulfillment of his dying request, and it pleases me to report that the work is progressing rapidly.

But we must not stop at this point. Milton Steinberg stood for much more. The memory of this great man—the most humble person I was ever privileged to know—urges us to take inventory of our life during the past year,

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Synagogue Groups Plan for New Season

Sisterhood Will Hold Brunch, Theatre Party

This year Sisterhood will hold a Theatre and Brunch Party in place of their annual luncheon. The Brunch will be held at the Hotel Astor, and the show is the forthcoming Maurice Evans production, "Tea House of the August Moon". Every share booklet sold at twenty dollars and every sixty dollars worth of ads will entitle the seller to an invitation to both.

Those who wish booklets should call Mrs. Sanford H. Cohen, ATwater 9-7638. Those wishing ad blanks can contact Mrs. Saul Granetts, TRafalgar 9-8919.

There will be three Grand Prizes—a five-day cruise for two persons, four days at Grossingers for one and a weekend for one person at Marble Hall.

Sisterhood will hold its first meeting of the season on Tuesday, September 22, at 1:30 P.M. A course on the United Nations will be offered to Sisterhood at its meetings this year. The first lecture at the opening meeting will be a "General Briefing on the United Nations". It will be presented by a member of the Secretariat. This meeting will be followed by a trip to the United Nations on October 20. Various aspects of the organization will be studied at subsequent meetings. Exciting speakers have been engaged. All members and friends are invited to attend this important first meeting.

Sisterhood Prexy Outlines Programs, Goals for '54

On behalf of the officers and board of the Sisterhood I wish to express to the members our heartfelt thanks for their cooperation and attention throughout the year that is closing. We hope that God will grant a healthy and happy year ahead in which we can all work towards the goals we have set for ourselves.

Sisterhood's slogan this coming year is "The Milton Steinberg Memorial becomes a reality in 1953". This is a positive statement and every Sisterhood member will see that it is a true one. To this end a gala Brunch and Theatre Party plus a Journal is planned for December 2. If everyone participates in this activity, our pledge to the building fund will be a reality in 1953.

In addition Sisterhood feels that its members are cognizant of the fact that the world we live in is on the brink of great achievement if peace can be maintained.

Sisterhood, at its meetings, is going to study the United Nations, the organization capable of leading the citizens of the world down the path to peace. By studying and understanding the full functioning of the United Nations, Sisterhood can become a vocal and informed group to help maintain our culture and civilization.

The goals and ambitions of Sisterhood for the year are in the true spirit of the Jewish Tradition. Let us pray that we will attain them.

MRS. SIGMUND SIEGEL
Sisterhood President

Young Married Group Invites New Members

The Young Married group once again extends to Rabbi Noveck, Cantor Putterman and the entire Synagogue family its best wishes for a healthy, happy and peaceful New Year.

All of our officers join me in sending a special greeting and welcome back to all of our members. We cordially invite all young couples affiliated with the Synagogue to join with us in making this a stimulating and successful year for our group and the Synagogue.

ASA SOKOLOW
President

President of Men's Club Extends New Years Greetings

On behalf of the members of the Men's Club, I wish to extend my warmest greetings to all of our congregants and members of their families and to wish them a healthy and a happy New Year.

We fervently hope and pray that the coming year will bring peace and prosperity for man, Israel and for all mankind and that a better time will lie ahead than has ever yet been.

MILTON M. SIVEK
President

Men's Club Arranges Dec. Theatre Party

Men's Club, having recently completed five years of achievement and progress, is looking forward to its sixth and succeeding years with pleasant anticipation.

The roster has been increasing steadily, not only in numbers, but also in the participation and devotion of members.

Men of the Congregation who have not joined the Men's Club are cordially invited to do so. Their synagogue life will be enriched by meeting with other congregants on a social and cultural level. Social activities will be accented during the coming year.

Notices regarding programs and meeting nights will appear in future issues of the Bulletin.

A highlight of the current year will be the annual Theatre Party, to be held on Wednesday night, December 16.

The show is piquantly entitled "The Solid Gold Cadillac", a comedy-satire on Washington, D. C. and big business, written by George S. Kaufman and Howard Teichmann. Josephine Hull will be starred, and the play is being produced by Max Gordon.

This show promises to be a solid gold hit, considering George S. Kaufman's dexterity in writing comedy satires in the area of politics.

The Theatre party committee is headed by Charles Bennet and Archie Thurman.

Proceeds will be used to meet the pledge for the Milton Steinberg Memorial Fund.

Beth Hayeled Teaches Children Jewish Culture

The American Jewish child grows up in an environment where the family gradually loses the traditional ways of Jewish life. He has no real source for developing his feeling of belonging to the Jewish culture. Even in the home which actively practices Jewish living, the child doesn't have enough impressions of Jewishness from the world outside of his family.

To introduce Jewish values to the child is a problem that all face. The latest insight into the process of learning shows that if learning is introduced as a fully integrated, day by day way of living, then it becomes a part of the individual.

Beth Hayeled is a laboratory which tries to study and apply this modern finding in the field of early childhood education. The concern of Beth Hayeled, the House of the Child, is with the total development of the child.

The curriculum in Beth Hayeled is planned very carefully. A Jewish atmosphere is achieved through the preparation and celebration of holidays, through first hand experiences with people and places connected with Jewish interests, through Jewish songs, dances, stories and books, and through creative activities.

The group life of the children is emphasized strongly as an important part of living, and Jewish living. Appreciation of other people in the group is stressed—not through competitive methods.

The personality of the teacher is not a major concern of Beth Hayeled and it has an intensive in-service training. Beth Hayeled has become a center for teacher training and leading colleges place their pupils as student-teachers in this school.

The parents, together with the children are enrolled as an active participant in the school. Besides an active PTA program of seminars, meetings, and a PTA periodical, parents are invited as a part of the experiences in the school, as on Shabbat and holidays.

The children who went through this school are happy in their Jewishness and adjust themselves in a gratifying way to new environments.

Due to the enthusiastic and outstanding work of Ivriah and the Board of Trustees of Beth Hayeled, it is now entering its fourteenth year of its existence.

Mazel Tov

TO Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Bernstein on the Birth of a granddaughter.

TO Rabbi and Mrs. Sanford Hahn on the Birth of a son and to his Grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Isidore Hahn.

TO Mrs. Sadie Collier on the Engagement of her son, Gilman.

TO Mrs. I. J. Seskis on the Birth of a grandson.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Robert Greenstein on the Birth of a daughter, and to her Grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Greenstein.

TO Dr. and Mrs. Harold Osserman on the Engagement of their son, Richard, to Gwen Stalberg.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Leon Blauner on the Birth of a granddaughter.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Jules Mendel on the Birth of a grandson.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Jules Kahn on the Marriage of their daughter, Carolyn, to Albert Slamow.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Isidore Hahn on the Marriage of their daughter, Carol, to Harvey Glaser.

Building Fund Chairman Announces Contributions

I. M. Cohen, Chairman of the Milton Steinberg Memorial Fund, wishes to announce the following special contributions received since the last issue of BULLETIN:

From the students of the Park Avenue Synagogue Religious School.

From the Confirmands of 1953.

In Honor of their Anniversary—from Mr. and Mrs. Herbert W. Shiers.

In Honor of their Anniversary—from Mr. and Mrs. Philip Mittenthal.

In Honor of Mr. Sanford H. Cohen's Recovery—from Mrs. D. B. Low.

In Memory of Ruth Helpern—from Dr. Max Trubek.

In Memory of Barney Schlinger—from Mrs. Y. Derman.

In Memory of Dr. E. D. Friedman—from Albert Salomon.

In Memory of Abraham Pfeffer—from Mrs. Hannah Pfeffer.

In memory of Theresa Pfeffer—from Mrs. Hannah Pfeffer.

President's Message

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and to make plans for our behavior during the years ahead.

Have we,too, been humble? Have we been men and women of true unselfishness?

Let us ask ourselves those questions from the Reconstruction Prayer Book, based on the Book of Job:

"Have I ever begrudged a poor man anything?
Have I ever let a widow pine in want?
Have I ever eaten my food alone, not sharing it with the fatherless?
Have I ever in my pride's renounced the need of God, revealing in my wealth and boasting that my hands have gathered riches?"

Oh, how Milton loved those people who could answer those quotations truthfully, honestly and for the good of all!

May this brief searching of hearts help us to know God's will and to be steadfast in fulfilling it. I say to you again, "Leshono Tova Teekoosef".

JACOB KLEIN
President

Religious School Re-Opens Sept. 21

HIGH HOLY DAY SERVICES AT THE JEWISH MUSEUM

The Junior Congregation and the members of the Youth Groups will hold their annual High Holy Day services at the Jewish Museum, 92nd Street and 5th Avenue. The services will be conducted by Mr. Baruch Levine, of the Jewish Theological Seminary, assisted by students of the Religious School, the Confirmation Class and members of the Judah Halevi Society.

This year, Mr. Levine will also conduct special services for the younger children of the Primary Department of the Religious School. This separate service will be particularly effective for children who are under 10 years of age and do not attend the Hebrew Department.

The schedule of services at the Museum is:

Sept. 10 and 11
10:15 - 11:15 Younger Children
11:30 - 1:00 Junior Congregation

Sept. 18
6:30 Kol Nidre—Jr. Congregation

Sept. 19
11:30 - 1:00 Junior Congregation
1:30 - 2:30 Younger Children
5:30 Ne'ilah—Junior Congregation

Tickets for the services will be mailed to the students of the Primary Department and the Hebrew Department of the Religious School. Parents may secure tickets for children not enrolled in the school by writing to the school office.

The facilities of the Jewish Museum, an affiliate of the Jewish Theological Seminary, are made available through the kindness of Dr. Stephen S. Kayser, curator of the museum.

Members are asked to bring their cards of admission to all High Holiday services. They are requested not to leave their seats while the Rabbi is delivering the sermon or while the Cantor or Choir is singing. Everyone is asked to remain in his seat until after the benediction and not to remove his Tallith until that time.

SCHOOL NEWS

New admissions to the Primary Department and the Hebrew Department of the Religious School are now being accepted in the school office. Parents are urged to visit the office any afternoon after 3:00 P.M. to register their children.

Sanford Hahn to be Rabbi Of Mt. Kisco Jewish Center

The School Board congratulates Sanford H. Hahn on his appointment as Rabbi of the Mt. Kisco Jewish Center. Rabbi Hahn has been a most devoted and valuable member of the faculty for many years. During his years of service he has endeared himself to the students and their parents. Rabbi and Mrs. Hahn go to Mt. Kisco with the very good wishes of their many friends in the Congregation.

Seminary Student to Teach In School's Hebrew Dept.

The Board annonuces the appointment of Murray Lehrer as a full-time teacher in the Hebrew Department of the Religious School for the year 1953-54. Mr. Lehrer will replace Miss Michele Goren who is returning to her native land, Israel. Mr. Lehrer, a graduate of Brooklyn College, has a Masters degree in History from Columbia University and is at present a rabbinical student at the Jewish Theological Seminary. He has extensive experience working with children acquired in years of camp work, teaching in the Junior High Schools and in teaching in religious schools. He comes directly from the Prospects Heights Jewish Center.

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL OPENS

The Religious School of the Park Avenue Synagogue will hold its opening session on Monday afternoon, September 21. Students, who attended the Primary Department or the Hebrew Department of the school last year, will receive their new class and room assignments by postcard. New students must register for the coming school year in the School Office any afternoon after 3:00 P.M.

The Primary Department of the school holds sessions on Sunday mornings for children from the ages of 6 through 9. The Hebrew Department, for children up to the age of 15, meets on two afternoons during the week and on Saturday morning. A major feature of the Saturday morning session is the Junior Congregation where the students have an opportunity to worship together and to develop an understanding of the religious concepts, the ethical values and the ritual forms of Judaism.

The instruction of the children is in the hands of a well-trained and experienced faculty who use modern classroom techniques. The program is also enriched by the use of music, arts and crafts, dramatics, dance, visual aids, field trips and a full holiday program sponsored by the Pareents Association.

Bar Mitzvah and Bat Mitzvah for boys and girls comes at the age of 13. In accordance with the recommendations of the United Synagogue Commission on Education, a minimum of three years of instruction in the Hebrew Department is required for Bar Mitzvah and Bat Mitzvah in the Park Avenue Synagogue. Confirmation—Graduation from the school takes place at the age of 15 in an impressive ceremony at Shavuoth.

It is also planned to continue the Sunday morning Brunch-Seminars for Post-Confirmands which Rabbi Noveck inaugurated last year.

New congregants and parents of children of school age are urged to begin the formal religious education of their children immediately. Register today in the school office for the year 1953-54.

Building Committee Chairman's Report

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construction commenced on the site July 6. Space has been provided in the Vestry for its field office.

Other details of operation are being provided for. Mr. Ulman of H. R. H. Construction Corp. is already on the job as supervising engineer.

The office of the Synagogue has been sheared off. The excavation work was in full process when a strike occurred involving concrete workers, sand and gravel men, etc. That strike has continued for some three weeks. When it will end is not at present known, but it is hoped that it will be shortly, in which event construction will continue.

The matter of the artistry of the Facade has caused a great deal of concern but it is on its way to solution. The matter of air conditioning the Vestry is on the agenda of the Building Committee for discussion in September. The matter of complete kitchen equipment is being handled by a special committee of ladies.

SAUL GODWIN
Chairman, Building Committee

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SCHEDULE OF SUCCOTH SERVICES

Wednesday, Sept. 23, Erev Succoth	6:00 P.M.
Thursday, Sept. 24, First Day Succoth	9:30 A.M.
Thursday, Sept. 24, Second Eve. Succoth	6:00 P.M.
Friday, Sept. 25, Second Day Succoth	9:30 A.M.
Friday, Sept. 25, Erev Shabbat	6:00 P.M.
Saturday, Sept. 26, Shabbat Chol Hamoed Succoth	9:30 A.M.

Rabbi Noveck Reports On Steinberg Research

Rabbi Noveck has been doing research during the past year on the life, activities and writings of Rabbi Milton Steinberg in the hope of writing a full length biography. Several publishers, both Jewish and general, have indicated an interest in such a volume.

The Rabbi is very anxious to see any letters members may have received from Rabbi Steinberg, particularly letters written before 1940. He will appreciate the opportunity of borrowing these letters for a short time. Also any members who knew Milton before he came to the Synagogue in 1933 and have specific reminiscences of him should contact Rabbi Noveck so he may include in his book a treatment of all facets of Rabbi Steinberg's unforgettable personality.

Yizkor Elohim

DORA ACKMAN
mother of Herman and Bert Ackman

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ESTHER RAGOSKY
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HARRY JABLOW
husband of Mrs. Lee Jablow

LOUIS WEINBERGER
husband of Mrs. L. Weinberger

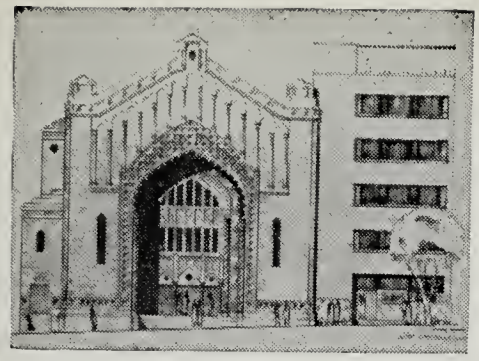
During this season of the year the Synagogue office is busily engaged in making arrangements for the Holy Day Services and other activities of the Congregation. Members are requested to make this work easier by informing the office of all vital statistics including change of address, marriages, births etc. Send or call all information to Mr. Emanuel Rosenthal, executive secretary.

New Members Added To BULLETIN Staff

It is with great pleasure that we announce the addition of several members of the Park Avenue Synagogue to the Staff of BULLETIN.

Mr. Milton Sivek, representing the Mens Club; Mrs. David Altschul representing the Sisterhood; and Mrs. Charles Jacobson of the Young Marrieds are new BULLETIN contributors.

One of the most beautiful ceremonies in our Synagogue is the processional with the Lulav (Palm Branch) and Esrog (Citron) which is held during the Succoth Festival. The Rabbi and Cantor are anxious for as many of the men as possible to participate in this processional. Orders for the Lulav and Esrog can be placed through the Synagogue office.



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Congregants Receive Simhath Torah Honors

MRS. HARRY J. SOKOLOW

Jacob Klein, Col. Melvin L. Krulewitch and Mrs. Harry J. Sokolow will be honored by the Congregation for outstanding service in Synagogue, Jewish and communal affairs at the *Simhath Torah* service on Friday morning, October 2.

Following the *Hakafot*, the processional with the *Torah* Scrolls, Jacob Klein will be called to "stand forth" as *Hathan Torah* (Bridegroom of the Torah).

Then Col. Melvin Krulewitch will be called to the pulpit as *Hathan Bereshith* (Bridegroom of the Beginning), as the *Torah* is rerolled and the first verses of Genesis are read. Mrs. Harry J. Sokolow will be honored this year as *Kalah Mafteret* (Bride of the Prophetic Message) for *Simhath Torah* 5714.

COL. MELVIN KRULEWITCH

The practice of honoring members of a congregation by designating them *Hathan Torah* and *Hathan Bereshith* originated from medieval Judaism and from a mystical thread within it.

On *Simhath Torah*, the last day of the *Succoth* festival, the *Torah* cycle of the year is completed and then is begun again. The last section and the first one are traditionally regarded as portions of importance and it is a practice to assign those portions to those individuals who by their scholarship, piety or service to the Jewish community, have merited public tribute.

The custom of honoring a *Kalah Mafteret* which was inaugurated five years

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JACOB KLEIN

Consecration Services Held In Honor of New Pupils

The annual Consecration Service for the new students in the Hebrew Department of the Religious School will be held at the *Simhath Torah* service on Thursday evening, October 1.

The new students will be presented to the Rabbi by Victor J. Herwitz,

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Thursday, Sept. 24, First Day *Succoth* . . . . . 9:30 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach: "Character and Cooperation"

Thursday, Sept. 24, Second Eve *Succoth* . . . . . 6:00 P.M.

Friday, Sept. 25, Second Day *Succoth* . . . . . 9:30 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach: "The Meaning of *Succoth*"

Saturday, Sept. 26, *Shabbat Chol Hamoed Succoth* . . . . . 9:30 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Michael Rosenblum

Shemini Atzeret Evening, Wednesday, Sept. 30 . . . . . 6:00 P.M.

Shemini Atzeret Yizkor Services, Thursday, Oct. 1 . . . . . 9:30 A.M.
Rabbi will preach: "The Joy of Judaism"

Simhath Torah Consecration Service, Thursday, Oct. 1 . . . 5:30 P.M.

Simhath Torah, Friday, Oct. 2 . . . . . 9:30 A.M.

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Simhath Torah

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ago, is a tribute to an outstanding woman member of the congregation, for conspicuous service rendered the Jewish community.

Mrs. Harry Sokolow

The woman to be honored this year as *Kalah Mafteret* is Mrs. Harry Sokolow, the Co-Chairman of Sisterhood's Brunch, Theatre Party affair this year and Federation Chairman for Sisterhood.

Dorothy Sokolow, since moving to New York fifteen years ago, has been a vital part of the Synagogue. She served as Chairman of Sisterhood's Luncheon several times. She brought the Jewish Home Beautiful to this Synagogue and she was instrumental in inaugurating the Congregational Passover Seders which are now held annually in the Synagogue the second evening of Passover. She has also acted as Chairman for the dinner each year.

Aside from her congregational activities, Mrs. Sokolow has served as President of a HIAS chapter until recently, and for two years worked every day in the HIAS Women's Division Thrift Shop.

To all she has bestowed her warm, vibrant personality and merits, to the full, being named *Kalah Mafteret* for the year 5714.

Jacob Klein

To be honored as *Hathan Torah* will be Jacob Klein, the President of the Synagogue. In the Synagogue and in the Jewish community Mr. Klein has given devoted service.

Previously a member of the Society for the Advancement of Judaism, he served for fifteen years as a member of the Board of Trustees and for three years as Chairman of the Board. One of the original contributors to the Joint Distribution Committee, now known as the U.J.A., Mr. Klein was the guest of honor this year at a Brunch tendered to him by U.J.A. at which over $300,000 was contributed.

For many years Mr. Klein supported relief and reconstruction work abroad by contributing a proportion of his weekly income to the Joint Distribution Committee. Later when that committee instituted a campaign for the adoption of war orphans, he was the first to adopt one, and the following year he adopted a second one and paid for their support.

As one of the original members of Federation, one of the founders of the Jewish Education Association, a supporter of the American Friends of Hebrew University and Brandeis and an active supporter of the Jewish Theological Seminary, Mr. Klein has been a pioneer in Jewish community and education works.

An outstanding member of the community and the congregation, it is fitting that he be named *Hathan Torah* for the year.

Col. Melvin L. Krulewitch

The honor of *Hathan Bereshith* will be bestowed on Col. Melvin Krulewitch an active member of the Board of Trustees of the Synagogue since his return from overseas in 1946.

Col. Krulewitch has long been connected in unselfish community activities both locally and nationally. His family, stemming from the medieval tal-

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Late Friday Services To Commence Oct. 16

The Friday evening services will commence on October 16. Dr Solomon Grayzel, Editor of the Jewish Publication Society has been invited to deliver the address at the first meeting. Full details on the Special Friday Evening Services, including guest speakers, symposia, and the sermons to be delivered by Rabbi Noveck will be published in the next issue of the BULLETIN. Congregants are urged to reserve October 16 and each Friday evening thereafter for a stimulating and enjoyable evening at the Synagogue.

Mazel Tov

TO Dr. and Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer on the Birth of their son, Seymour David.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Simon on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Frederick, September 12.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Rosenblum on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Michael, September 26.

TO Mr. and Mrs. William Goldin on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Robert, October 3.

TO Mr. and Mrs. George L. Armour on the Birth of a granddaughter.

Synagogue Gains 54 New Members

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome into the Synagogue fifty-four new members and their families. The following have joined the Synagogue within the past year.

The new members include:

Jack J. Alberts, Lawrence Beecher, Ben W. Boas, Michael Borish, Leon Brinn, Bobby Bernard, Victor J. Cohen, Dr. I. Cogan, Mrs. S. Disick, Samuel Eppy, Albert Fargot, Sol R. Feldman, Dr. Leonard E. Field, Harold I. Fischer, Milton R. Forrest, Nat Herman, Louis Goldin, Alfred Hollender, L. Hershey, Mrs. E. S. Holstein.

Dr. Wm. R. Jacoby, Samuel Kaufman, David Kluger, Mrs. E. Nikolic, Dr. A. A. Pomeranz, Mrs. F. Reiff, Mrs. J. Rosenblum, Max I. Glickman, E. Rosendahl, Leo Rosner, Monroe Sander, Edwin M. Slote, Murray Spett, Abraham Steinman, Harry S. Saidel, Dorothy M. Schonfeld, Dr. P. Riebenfeld, Warren Ringler, Arthur Wiener, Alan Lyons, Philip Lane, Jerome H. Jacobs, David Phillips, Nathaniel H. Usdan, Mrs. Georgette Vida, Ivor Weigler.

Dr. Harold M. Weinberg, Gilbert A. Weisberger, Morris Zinneman, Sol Waldman, David Oreck, Samuel Edelman, Ira Lee, Charles Smolian and Lawrence Beatus, Jr.

With each holiday there is confusion in the minds of some Jewish parents as to the regulations of the Board of Education concerning absence from school on religious holy days.

However the By-Laws of the Board of Education of New York City, Section 90, Article 5 provides that pupils are permitted to absent themselves from school "for religious observance."

Simhath Torah

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mudist Tosofes Yomtov, has included for many generations members of the rabbinate, among them Rabbi Hersch Levin of Charleston, his great-grandfather, the spiritual leader of the Jews of that city during the Civil War.

Col. Krulewitch was associated with the Teachers Institute of the Jewish Theological Seminary, studied under Friedlander, Davidson and Kaplan, and was associated with that Seminary for many years in secular capacities.

He served on the Jewish Welfare Board from its earliest days and succeeded Frank L. Weil as President of its New York Council.

He has been a member of the Board of Directors of the 92nd St. YMHA for over thirty years, a member of the Executive Committee of the Armed Services Division of the Jewish Welfare Board, and a participating member in the United States Committee for Sports in Israel.

He has served his country in war as well as in peace and is one of the five living Marinees who fought both at Belleau Wood in 1918 and Iwo Jima in 1945. A veteran of four wars, he is senior line officer of the United States Marine Corps in New York City and the holder of numerous decorations for both heroic and meritorious achievement.

As one who loves and serves his fellow man, he has been an inspiration in the community in which he serves. With these qualities of guidance and leadership, he is one whose name, with propriety, the Synagogue may begin its years reading of Scripture.

To pay tribute to the three recipients of *Simhath Torah* honors all members of the Park Avenue Synagogue are invited to attend the services and reception which will immediately follow in the Vestry of the Synagogue.

SCHOOL NEWS

The Primary Department of the Religious School will hold its opening session on Sunday, September 27 at 9:45 A.M. All students will meet in the Synagogue and after being welcomed by Rabbi Noveck and Mr. Leichtling they will report to their assigned classes.

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All children are urged to participate in the traditional *Hakafot* procession with the Torah which will take place on *Simhath Torah*, Thursday evening, October 1 and on Friday morning, October 2.

The reading of the *Torah* is concluded on *Simhath Torah* and begun again immediately to show that the study of the *Torah* can never be completed. To express their joy at the giving of the Law to the children of Israel, the men in the congregation will march through the synagogue carrying the *Torah* scrolls. The children, carrying their flags, will join in the processional. Flags and refreshments will be provided by the Parents Association.

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Special Succoth Services will be held for the children on each of the festival mornings in the vestry of the Synagogue. They will be under the direction of Baruch Levine.

These services will include the ceremonial of the *Lulav* and *Esrog* (palm branch and citron) as well as refreshments in the *Succah*.

Consecration Service

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chairman of the School Board, and by Martin Leichtling, principal of the school. Rabbi Noveck will bless the students and present each of them with a *Torah* scroll and a certificate to commemorate the event.

The following are the newly-enrolled students in the Hebrew Department of the Religious School: Peter Betcher, Jonathan Charnas, Leslie Cornell, Tomi Deutsch, Anthony Goldman, Mark Goldman, Joel Haber, Jane Jacob, Ruth Jacobs, Barbara Julich, Elisa Kaufman, Edward Kotkin, Judith Linn, John I. Lipkowitz, Jeffrey Mehlman, Maxine Metzger, Peter A. Mound, Jonathan Ostriker, Margaret Remet, Daniel Ritey, Jonathan Ross, Sanford Seidman, Rene Stern, Stephen Weinstein, and Allen Weiss.

New admissions to the Primary Department and the Hebrew Department of the Religious School will be accepted in the School Office until October 12. Parents are urged to call or visit the office any afternoon after 2:30 P.M. to register their children.

Parents to Open Year With Orientation Meeting

The Parents Association of the Park Avenue Synagogue is looking forward to a very active season. Its ambitious program will begin with an orientation meeting when the parents of children attending the Religious School for the first time will have an opportunity to meet with the Parents group and learn of its varied activities.

All members with children of school age or others interested in the integration of children into the Jewish community will find the Parents Association of great help. The lack of interest which children may display towards Hebrew School is transient and the parent, through interest in the Parents' projects, may eventually rechannel the child's interest back to the Synagogue.

Mrs. Herman Helpern, President of the Parents Association, together with Mrs. Harry Zucker, Chairman of the Executive Board and the members of the Executive Board are considering a well rounded program for the coming season which will soon be presented to the membership.

At the final meeting, the following officers were elected for the current year:

President, Mrs. Herman Helpern; 1st Vice-President, Mrs. George Heyman; 2nd Vice-President, Mrs. Stanley Simon; 3rd Vice-President, Mrs. Meyer Kaplan; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Hector Ritey; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. J. J. Hoexter; Treasurer, Mrs. Nelson Ruttenberg and Chairman of Exec. Board, Mrs. Harry Zucker.

Delegates are: Mrs. Stanley Simon, Mrs. Leon Klein and Mrs. Adolph Stangel.

Repentance and Prayer Require More Than Just 2 or 3 days (High Holy Days) Attendance.

WHY NOT COME TO THE SYNAGOGUE ON THE SABBATH!

Adult Education Classes To Begin November 2

The Adult Education Classes of the Park Avenue Synagogue will begin on Monday evening, November 2. The 8:00 P.M. classes will include, elementary, intermediate and advanced Hebrew, Choral Music by Cantor David J. Putterman, Bible for Moderns by Rabbi Mordecai Waxman, and in the Spring, a course on Jewish and Christian Existentialism by Professor Albert Salomon.

At 9:00 P.M. the major lecture series will be on "Basic Problems in Personal Living." Each week an outstanding rabbi and psychiatrist will give their points of view on such topics as: "Religion and Psychiatry—Two Approaches to Mental Health", "Coping With Our Guilt Feelings", Overcoming Our Fears and Anxieties" and "The Kinsey Report—An Evaluation".

These classes are open to Congregants and to the general community. All members are urged to participate in this program and to bring their friends.

Senior League Plans Group To Supplement Adult Classes

The Senior League will hold its first open meeting on Wednesday evening, October 8 in the Vestry of the Synagogu.

The League plans this year to conduct a small study group among its members. The topics for study will be decided by the participants. This group is intended to supplement the Adult Education courses.

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Men's Club To Hear Mayoralty Candidates

Men's Club will hold its first meeting of the year on Tuesday, October 20, in the Vestry Room of the Synagogue, at 8:15 P.M. This night shall be devoted to the annual political meeting which has proved immensely popular in the past.

Candidates for the mayoralty election have been invited to attend and discuss some of the campaign issues. At the conclusion of the meeting, questions will be answered from the floor.

Refreshments will be served at the end of the meeting.

All men are urged to attend and bring their friends for what should prove to be a most stimulating evening.

Congregants are requested to reserve Wednesday night, December 16, 1953 for the annual theater party which this year will feature "The Solid Gold Cadillac", written by George S. Kaufman and Howard Teichman, and starring Josephine Hull. Tickets will be mailed in the near future for this popular annual event.

Members of the Congregation who are not members of Men's Club are cordially invited to join and participate in its social and cultural activities.

Young Marrieds Meet To Plan New Program

The Young Marrieds opened the season with their first meeting on Tuesday, September 15 in the Vestry of the Synagogue. It was a business and social meeting and the program for the year was presented.

The group plans to meet the second Tuesday evening of each month. The Program Committee has engaged speakers including Rabbi Kertzer, to discuss such pertinent topics as: "Conservative Judaism—What it has to Offer"; "Brandeis University—Has it Worked?"; "The Kinsey Report on Females" and many more vital issues. Interspersed with these cultural meetings, social meetings have been planned as well as a gala Cocktail Party for November.

All young couples affiliated with the Synagogue are invited to join with the group in their activities.

United Nations Speaker To Address Sisterhood

Sisterhood's first meeting of the season will be held on Tuesday, September 22, at 1:30 p.m. The guest speaker will be Victor Mills, Administrative Officer in the General Assembly Affairs and Administrative Section of the Executive Office of the Secretary General of the United Nations.

Mr. Mills will inaugurate Sisterhood's program for the year on the various aspects of the United Nations pertaining to women by giving a general briefing on the United Nations. Members are urged to attend this opening lecture since Mr. Mills' introduction to the United Nations will provide excellent background and understanding for the visit to the United Nations which has been planned for October 20. Arrangements have also been made for several other prominent members of the United Nations to address Sisterhood at later meetings.

Notices for the October 20 visit to the United Nations will be mailed to the members of Sisterhood, accompanied by a self-addressed card to facilitate the making of reservations. Members are urged to fill in and return these cards as quickly as possible to be sure of obtaining their reservations, since only a limited number can be accommodated.

Sisterhood will hold a Brunch and Theatre Party on December 2. The Brunch will be held at the Hotel Astor; the show will be Maurice Evans' "Tea House of the August Moon." Every $20 share book sold, as well as every $60 worth of ads solicited for the Journal, will earn the seller a ticket to both events.

Members may contact Mrs. Sanford H. Cohen, ATwater 9-7638 for additional share books, and Mrs. Saul Granetts, TRafalgar 9-8919 for ad blanks.

Yizkor Elohim

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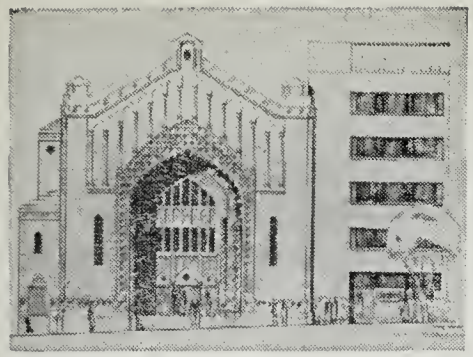
and Mrs. Milton Gluckman



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The main lecture series of this year's Adult Education Program, starting on Monday, November 2, at 9 P.M. and continuing for seven successive Monday nights, will be on the theme "Basic Problems in Personal Living". At each session a prominent psychiatrist and a rabbi will discuss his point of view on a basic psychological problem of the day, after which there will be a question and answer period.

To date the following is a list of subjects. "Psychiatry and Religion—Two Approaches to Mental Health", "Overcoming Our Fears and Anxieties", "Mastering Depression", "How to Face Grief", "Coping with Guilt Feelings", "Learning to Accept Ourselves" and "Sexual Issues, Old and New — An Appraisal".

Dr. Solomon Grayzel to Open Late Friday Services Oct. 16

Dr. Solomon Grayzel, Editor of the Jewish Publication Society of America, will be the guest speaker at the first of the series of Special Friday Evening Services this season on October 16. He will speak on the general theme of "Can We Produce a Jewish Culture in America?"

Dr. Grayzel was ordained at the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, received the degree of Master of Arts at Columbia University and Ph.D. from Dropsie College. For many years he was Professor of History and Registrar of Gratz College. He is the author of "The Church and the Jews in the Thirteenth Century" and a "History of the Jews" (published in 1947).

All Congregants are urged to make a special effort to attend this opening Friday Evening Service of the season.

SOLOMON GRAYZEL

Three Congregants Will Participate In Israel Symposium October 23

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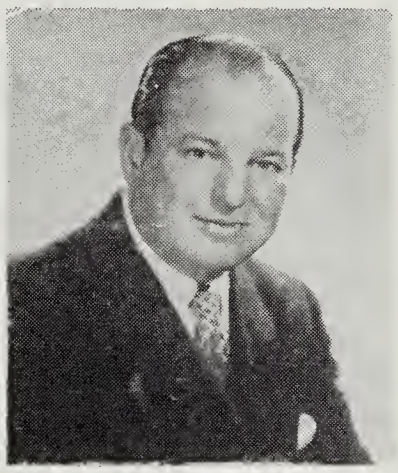

I. M. COHEN

DR. HECTOR RITEY

On Friday evening, October 23, Isidore M. Cohen, Dr. Hector Ritey and Irving Sarnoff will be the participants in a symposium on the theme, "My Most Thrilling Experience in Israel". Each of these men, having visited Israel during the past summer, had conferences with members of the Israeli cabinet and high-ranking officials of the government, and will share their experiences with the Congregation.

Dr. Ritey, the Chairman of the Advisory Board of the League to Help Mentally Ill Children is also Vice-Chairman of the Section on Legal Aspects of Psychiatry, American Psychiatric Association and Consultant to the Staff of the Lasker Clinic in Jerusalem. I. M. Cohen is the Chairman of the Milton Steinberg Memorial Fund and a member of the Board of Trustees of the Synagogue.

Irving Sarnoff is the chairman of the Israel Bond Drive for the Synagogue, and serves on the Advisory Council for the Board of Trustees of the Synagogue.

Congregants Receive Simhath Torah Honors

At the *Simhath Torah* services on Friday morning, October 2, presentation of the citations were made by Sanford Cohen, Chairman of the Board to Jacob Klein, President of the Synagogue as *Hathan Torah* (Bridegroom of the Torah); by Milton Weill, President of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies and a Trustee of the Synagogue to Colonel Melvin L. Krulewitch, Trustee, as *Hathan Bereshith* (Bridegroom of the Beginning) and by Mrs. Sigmund Siegel, President of the Sisterhood to Mrs. Harry Sokolow as *Kalah Mafteret* (Bride *of the Prophetic Message*), Sisterhood member.

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New Contributions For Building Fund

The Committee for the Milton Steinberg Memorial Fund was deeply touched by the response to the appeal made on Kol Nidre evening.

315 members, some of them newly admitted, warmly and generously contributed gifts coming in the form of $300., $500., and up to $1,000.

Unfortunately, our goal of $150,000 was not reached, which means that we must still find a way, before the year comes to a close, of raising the balance of this money.

I feel confident that we can achieve this end, particularly in the light of the loyalty displayed by the members of the Park Avenue Synagogue on Kol Nidre night. In many instances the gifts came from people who had given before, and many who had given even twice before.

It is truly thrilling for Jewry to realize that the memory of Milton Steinberg lives strongly in the hearts of our people, and that his words will be carried on to posterity.

Special cognizance should be taken of the fact that Mrs. Anna Edelman has generously volunteered to make the curtains for the Ark of the Chapel in the new building. Our grateful thanks go out to her.

We received contributions from Mrs. Dorothy B. Low in honor of Mrs. Harry Sokolow; Mrs. I. Edward Gevirtz in memory of Herman H. Schloss; Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Wimpfheimer in honor of the birth of Seymour David Wimpfheimer, son of Dr. and Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer.

I. M. COHEN
Chairman

Board Votes to Sponsor Jerusalem's Anniversary

The Board of Trustees at its meeting on September 8 decided to participate and act as one of the sponsors of the 3,000th anniversary of the City of Jerusalem which will be celebrated at Madison Square Garden on October 20, 1953 with the request that the members of the Synagogue be asked to join in the celebration of this event.

Mazel Tov

TO Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Finn on the Birth of a grandson Stephen Allan Finn.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Sander on the Birth of a grandson Theodore Allan Tanney.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Jules Mendel on the Birth of a grandson Lawrence Mark Silber, to his great grandfather Joseph Rose and to the parents Mr. and Mrs. Alvin D. Silber.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Alex E. Arnstein on the Marriage of their daughter, Joan, to Allen S. Wilder.

TO Mrs. Simeon E. Duke on the Marriage of her daughter, Barbara Helen, to Sidney Dickstein.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Milton Heller on the Birth of grandson, Jonathan Emanuel, to his great grandparents, Mrs. Mathilde Heller and Mrs. Nanie Davidson, and to the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Heller.

TO Hon. and Mrs. Abraham Geller on the Marriage of their son, Bruce, to Jeannette Marx.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Drachsler on their 25th Wedding Anniversary, October 6.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Levey on their 30th Wedding Anniversary, October 11.

TO Mr. Jacob Friedman on his Birthday, October 15.

TO Mr. Milton Weill on his Birthday, October 15.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Michael Stoler on their 15th Wedding Anniversary, October 25.

TO MR. and MRS. HARRY DUBIN

Our hearty appreciation for enhancing our Succoth with the generous supply of beautiful fruits and vegetables.

President Reviews Nathaniel Goldstein's Law Journal Article

I think the Park Avenue Synagogue may well be proud of Nathaniel L. Goldstein, Attorney General of the State of New York and one of its valued members.

Attorney General Goldstein has distinguished himself as one of the most able lawyers that New York State has honored in electing him to the high position he now holds and has held for many years. We are indeed happy to call the attention of the members of the Synagogue to a brilliant article written by him which appears in the editorial pages of the New York Law Journal in its issues of September 22, 23 and 24, 1953, as a reprint from the *Notre Dame Lawyer*, the Law Review of that institution.

It is not possible, because of lack of space, to reprint this article in full in the BULLETIN, and it is next to impossible to convey to you, in the short space allotted to one, the meat and substance of this article. But I would like each and every member to try and get this article and read it, because I think it is well written, indicates a philosophical mind, shows much research and each of you will be fully rewarded by digesting its contents.

The title of the article is "That Most Remarkable Work"—The Constitution of the United States. It begins as follows: "When the Constitution of the United States was a century old, Gladstone used the phrase 'most remarakble work' in paying tribute to it." Were Gladstone alive in the year of its 165th anniversary, after nearly three quarters of a century more in the life of our constitution, Attorney General Goldstein goes on to say, "He might well utter the same words with yet greater awe. For no less than astonishing has been its elasticity in meeting the needs of the country in years of its growth. While its basic tenets remain firm, their validity and wisdom have been demonstrated over and over again, as have been the validity and wisdom of the Ten Commandments."

As I said above, the article cannot be reprinted in the BULLETIN, but you will all find it worthwhile, very stimulating and informative, if you will make it part of your reading matter.

JACOB KLEIN, *President*

Meyer Levin to Address Young Marrieds Group

Meyer Levin, well known novelist, reporter and film maker of Palestinian and Israeli life will discuss "Writing With a Camera" at the next meeting of the Young Marrieds on Tuesday evening, October 13 in the Vestry of the Synagogue.

His talk will be concerned with the underground exodus to Palestine and will be accompanied by a film entitled "The Illegals," which Mr. Levin has produced himself.

The Young Marrieds held their first meeting of the year on Tuesday, September 15. This was a business meeting at which the Program Committee presented its outline for the year.

The program includes monthly meetings at which prominent guest speakers will address the group, as well as several planned social evenings. The highlight of the fall season will be a gala cocktail party to be held on November 15.

Some of the outstanding speakers who will address the group include: Rabbi Harold Weisberg, a Reconstructionist who will discuss Conservative Judaism; Robert Sherwood who will analyze the Kinsey Report and Rabbi Morris Kertzer who will also address the group.

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SCHOOL NEWS

The Board of Education of the Metropolitan Council of the United Synagogue of America has announced awards to the Religious School pupils and Junior Congregants for the school year ending June 1953. These awards, part of the city-wide program sponsored by the Metropolitan Council, are presented to outstanding students in congregational schools at the conclusion of each school year.

ANNUAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS for excellence in scholarship, attendance, punctuality, school service and general attitude were granted to the following students of the Hebrew Department:

CLASS 1A: Jimmy Fogelson, Richard Kram, Charles Kaiser, Eric Weinberg.

CLASS 1B: Joel Grantz, Inez Fields, Joel Shapiro, Randall Weingarten.

CLASS 2A: John Siegel, Jon Waldman.

CLASS 2B: Susan Drukatz, David Reichman.

CLASS 3: Michael Freedman.

CLASS 4: Cecily Falkenstein, Marilyn Schneider.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE AWARDS for excellent attendance during the school year were received by: Stephen Feig, Leona Giat, Michael Heyman, Stephen Jacoby, Richard Nalin, Joan Rubinstein, Steven Smith, Robert Unger, Joseph Weintraub, Elliot Zucker.

JUNIOR CONGREGATION AWARDS for outstanding work and service were given to: Phyllis Brody, Leona Giat, Joseph Weintraub, Elliot Zucker.

New Sunday Morning Course To be Inaugurated in October

For the first time in many years Rabbi Noveck is offering a course on Sunday morning for members of the Congregation and the general community to begin on October 25 at 10 A.M. This course is especially designed for the benefit of parents who bring their children to Religious School on Sundays and wait for them. A number of people have already indicated their intention of taking this course. The subject matter and curriculum will be decided upon at the first meeting, which will take place in the main Synagogue. For further information parents can call Mrs. Trachtenberg, SA 2-8765.

Sisterhood to Make Tour Of UN Building Oct. 20

On Tuesday, October 20, Sisterhood has arranged a Special Field Trip to the United Nations.

Since only 100 places are available, members should immediately return the reservation cards which they will receive in the mail. Reservations will be honored in the order in which they are received.

The group will meet in the North Lobby of the General Assembly Building of the United Nations, First Ave. and 45th St., at 10 A.M. promptly.

The program for the day will start with attendance at a Session of the General Assembly at 10 A.M. Following this, the group will be taken on a conducted tour of the United Nations. The charge for the tour, 75c per person, will be collected at the door.

Those who wish may have lunch in the Delegates Dining Room at 1:45 P.M. Those who wish a place reserved should indicate this on their return card, so that a reservation can be made.

Teen Agers Invited to Join Luncheon Seminar Groups

The first meeting of the Luncheon-Seminar group which was started last year for young people of the Congregation, met at the home of Marilyn Greenberg, on Sunday, October 11. Rabbi Noveck was present. The members of this discussion group are: Hannah Cohen, Jonathan Freedman, Martin Gelfand, Judith Godwin, Marilyn Greenberg, Barton Hoexter, Arthur Jacobs, Gail Kaplan, Barbara Katz, Ruth Katz, David Ruttenberg. All young people who are seniors or juniors in high school may join this group by contacting Rabbi Noveck at the Synagogue.

On Sunday, October 18, a new Seminar group of those confirmed in June, 1953 will meet at the home of Alice Heyman, 1165 Park Avenue, at 11 A.M. Rabbi Noveck will also be present at this Luncheon-Seminar. Members of this group include: Alan Aaron, Jill Appleman, Susan Carla Berns, Meryl Blau, Sandra Cohen, Eleanor Foa, Sandra Gevirtz, Alice Helpern, Alice Heyman, Robert Kaufman, Gary Manacher, Doris Wimpfheimer and Theodore Zuckor. All young people who are sophomores in high school can join the group by getting in touch with Rabbi Noveck.

Halley, Riegelman, Wagner, Jr. Will Address Men's Club October 20

The Men's Club inaugurates the new season on Tuesday, October 20 with the three leading candidates for Mayor of New York in the forthcoming elections as the guest speakers. Rudolph Halley, Liberal, Harold Riegelman, Republican, and Robert F. Wagner, Jr. Democrat have accepted invitations to come and discuss some of the campaign issues.

Mr. Halley, President of the New York City Council for the past two years, was born in 1913 and graduated Townsend High School (1928), Columbia College (1932) and Columbia Law School (1934). After serving as law secretary to Judge Wm. Bondy of the U. S. District Court for 3 years, he was appointed an Assistant U. S. Attorney until 1942, when he became assistant Counsel to the Senate Truman Committee investigating war frauds and its Chief Counsel in 1944.

Between 1945 and 1950 Mr. Halley was in private law practice, and from

RUDOLPH HALLEY

June 1950 to May 1951 was Chief Counsel to the Senate Crime Investigating Committee headed by Senator Kefauver.

Mr. Riegelman, born in 1892, is an alumnus of DeWitt Clinton High School, Cornell University, and Columbia Law School. Prior to his becoming Acting Postmaster of New York, early this year, he had been active for many years as a consultant and advisor to Federal, State, and Local governments in the fields of public finance, management, housing and public health.

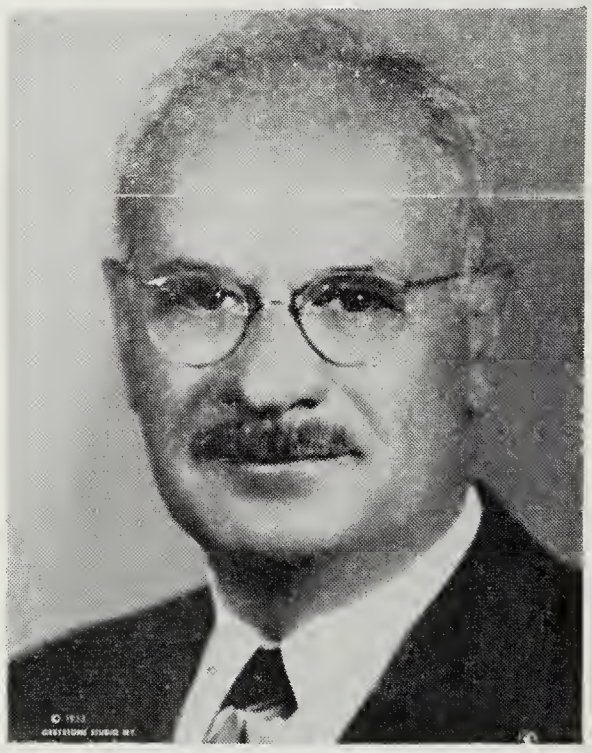
Among other things, in 1916 he worked out the compromise between Governor Alfred E. Smith and Republican legislative leaders which resulted

ROBERT WAGNER, JR.

in the State Housing Law, the first of its kind in America. Mr. Riegelman assisted President Roosevelt in 1935, as Special Treasury Counsel, to formulate a housing and mortgage finance policy. In 1947-8, a combat veteran of both World Wars I and II, he was counsel to and advised in the organization and operation of the New York State Veterans' Bonus Bureau.

Mr. Wagner, who was elected the Borough President of Manhattan in 1949, was born in Yorkville in 1909 and has always lived here. The son of our late United States Senator, he is trying to carry on the liberal, social philosophy learned from his father.

From 1937 to 1941 he was a member of the New York State Assembly, where he introduced legislation pertaining to anti-discrimination, civil rights, housing, labor and welfare. The following four years were spent in the Army Air Corps, and when he came out in 1945 he worked a couple of years for his father, who had begun to ail. Mr. Wagner became Commissioner of Housing and Buildings in New York City in 1947 and later was appointed Chairman of



HAROLD RIEGELMAN

the City Planning Commission.

This meeting is scheduled to begin at 8:30 P.M. All men are cordially invited to attend.

Show for Sisterhood Affair Acclaimed A Hit

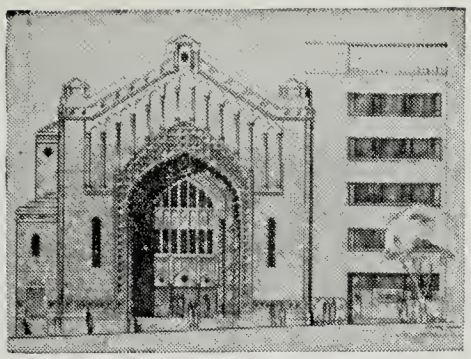
Join the crew of energetic workers who have already started in their support of Sisterhood's newest project—the donor Brunch and Theatre Matinee on December 2. The grand vacation prizes, a delectable brunch at the Astor, and a ticket to the forthcoming Maurice Evans production of "Teahouse of the August Moon" are inducements no one can resist. They are easily earned through the sale of share booklets or Journal ads.

Members may call Mrs. Sanford H. Cohen, AT 9-7638 for share books, and Mrs. Saul Grannetts, TR 9-8919 for ad blanks.

The show which recently opened in New Haven received an enthusiastic welcome. David Wayne and John Forsythe, brought the audience to their feet at the final curtain.

The critics praised "Wayne's subtle presentation of an Oriental, Forsythe's imaginative reading of his lines, the delicate beauty of Mariko Niki, making her American debut" and the play as "unique and entertaining from start to final curtain".

The play will "undoubtedly serve as another hit for Mr. Wayne and Mr. Forsythe, both of whom will be remembered for their fine characterizations in 'Mister Roberts'."



THE PARK AVENUE SYNAGOGUE

BULLETIN

October 30, 1953 Affiliated with the Jewish Theological Seminary and the United Synagogue of America 21 Cheshvan, 5714

Adult Classes to Open Monday Evening, Nov. 2

An unusually interesting and varied series of courses will highlight the Adult Education Program of the Park Avenue Synagogue which will officially open Monday evening, November 2. At 8 P.M. students may choose from among six courses including "Bible for Moderns" given by Rabbi Mordecai Waxman, a course in Cantillation and one in Choral Music, given by Cantor David J. Putterman, and courses in Elementary, Intermediate and Advanced Hebrew. The Major Lecture Series on "Basic Problems in Personal Living" which is described in detail in this issue, will begin at 9 P.M.

Judging from advance inquiries, an unusually large registration is expected this year. A brochure with all details will reach the Congregation shortly. There will be no charge for these courses to Synagogue members.

Rabbi Waxman's course "Bible for Moderns" will deal with the Bible as a book which has been the text of Jewish life throughout history and as a book which has tremendous relevance to our own personal and social lives today.

Dr. Wm. Rosenblum to Speak At Federation Sabbath, Oct. 30

Dr. William F. Rosenblum, Rabbi of Temple Israel of New York City will be the guest speaker at the Friday evening service on the Federation Sabbath, October 30, at 8:30 P.M. Dr. Rosenblum's topic for the evening will be "Giving is Living".

Dr. Rosenblum who has been Rabbi of Temple Israel since 1930, previously served as Rabbi in Steubenville, Ohio and Washington, D. C.

He has been active in civic as well as religious circles, notably in the promotion of inter-faith amity. He is Past-President of the Synagogue Council of America which he represented on the United States National Commission for UNESCO and was also representative of the B'nai B'rith in that capacity for a term of three years, member of the Committee on Educational Reconstruction of UNESCO. He has attended European conferences in the past several years in the fight against anti-Semitism and in December of 1949, was in private conference with His Holiness Pope Pius XII in a proposal to affect a change in the Christian attitude towards Judaism and the Jew.

DR. WILLIAM ROSENBLUM

Among others, he is a member of the National Citizens Committee on Civil Rights, member of the Manhattan Council of State Commission against Discrimination, President of the Institute for Democratic Education, Past-President of the Association of Reform Rabbis of New York City and served on the Executive Board of the Central Conference of American Rabbis, of which he is now a member of The Committee on Religious Work in Universities.

Dr. Rosenblum has appeared on many radio networks on religious programs, notable among them being "Faith in our Times", "Chapel of the Air", "The Message of Israel", "Design for Living". He has appeared on the following TV programs: "Week in Religion" over Channel 5, and the Chronoscope of the National Broadcasting Company.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday Evening, October 30 ..... 8:30 P.M.
Federation Sabbath
Rabbi William F. Rosenblum will discuss:
"Giving is Living"

Saturday Morning, October 31 ..... 9:45 P.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Peter Krulewitch

Friday Evening, November 6 ..... 8:30 P.M.
Rabbi Noveck will discuss:
"Three Hundred Years of American Jewish History"
Reflections on the Coming Tercentennary Celebration

Saturday Morning, November 7 ..... 9:45 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Jeffrey Loria

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Seminary Announces November TV Series

The Jewish Theological Seminary TV Series will present "Frontiers of Faith" beginning Sunday, November 1 on WNBT, Channel 4 from 1:30 to 2:00 P.M. EST. The November programs will include:

Sunday, November 1, "Between Two Eternities" — the story of Solomon Schechter and his contribution to Judaism.

Sunday, November 8, "The Remarkable Adventures of Deuteronomy Katz" —a humorous fantasy about a man who tried to live, literally, all the laws of the Book of Deuteronomy.

Sunday, November 15, A musical program devoted to an explication of the Kaddish as it is sung and interpreted during the various Jewish Holy Days and festivals.

Sunday, November 22, "Liberty in a Featherbed" — a special Thanksgiving broadcast dramatizing the effort of Thomas Kennedy to remove civil and political inequalities in the Legislature of the State of Maryland.

Annual Tea for New Members To be Held at Rabbi's Home

On Sunday, November 1, Rabbi Noveck will be host to the new members of the Congregation at the Annual New Members Tea. The tea will be held at the Rabbi's home, 221 East 78th Street, from 3-7 P.M. All new members are cordially invited.

Dr. Milton Levine Will Address Parents At Opening Meeting

Dr. Milton I. Levine, well known pediatrician, will address the Parents Association at its first open meeting of the fall season on Wednesday evening, November 18 at 8:30. His topic: "What is a Good Father?" should arouse the curiosity and interest of all parents and should provoke an interesting discussion period following the lecture.

The Parents Association has been most fortunate in securing the services of Dr. Levine, who is Associate attending pediatrician at New York Hospital, Cornell Medical Center, consulting pediatrician for New York City in the Department of Health and for the City and Country School.

Dr. Levine is the author of "Wonder of Life" and "A Baby is Born," both of which are familiar books to many parents. His articles on mental health and child care have appeared in many magazines and he has appeared on several radio and television programs.

On this occasion, the teachers of the Religious School will be present in order to give parents and teachers an opportunity to meet. Refreshments will be served and a social evening will follow.

Mazel Tov

TO Mr. and Mrs. Irving Kram on the Birth of a daughter, Michelle Sandra.
TO Dr. and Mrs. Marvin Robinson on their 5th Wedding Anniversary, November 25.
TO Mr. and Mrs. Mortimer Millheiser on their 30th Wedding Anniversary, November 25.
TO Hannah Honig on her 90th Birthday, November 14.
TO Mrs. Hattie Weinberger on her 80th Birthday, November 16.
TO Hon. and Mrs. Abraham N. Geller on the Engagement of their daughter.
TO Mr. and Mrs. Herman Seigenfeld on the Engagement of their daughter.
TO Mrs. Sadie Collier on the Marriage of her son.
TO Mr. and Mrs. Murray Cohen on the Engagement of their daughter.
TO Cantor and Mrs. David Putterman on their Wedding Anniversary, November 1.

Message from the President

To the members of the Park Avenue Synagogue:

I wish to call your attention to a dinner that is being given under the auspices of the American Friends of the Hebrew University on November 12, 1953 at the Waldorf Astoria, at which dinner ex-president, Harry S. Truman will receive the Solomon Bublick Award of the Hebrew University. And in addition there will be a distinguished gathering of prominent leaders in Jewry to participate in a "Salute from American Higher Education to the Hebrew University".

The dinner cost is $100. per plate and there will be no solicitation of funds. To those members to whom the Hebrew University means much and to those to whom it should mean a great deal, I commend this dinner, and, if at all possible, to make it almost a duty to attend so that the Park Avenue Synagogue may have a very large representation.

Needless to say my wife and I will be present and I, as President of the Park Avenue Synagogue, have been selected to meet and receive ex-president Truman.

I will personally appreciate your cooperation.

JACOB KLEIN
President

Parents Group Plans To Sponsor Book Fair

On Sunday, November 15, the Parents Association will again sponsor the annual Book Fair. Mrs. Leon Klein and Mrs. Meyer Kaplan, chairmen of the Fair, plan to arrange an excellent exhibit of books on Jewish life and thought, record albums of Jewish music, and attractive gifts, suitable for all occasions.

On Monday afternoon, November 16 at 3 P.M., the children of the Religious School will have an opportunity to view the books and to select those of special interest. Refreshments will be served to the youngsters. The display will continue Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of that week.

This is a splendid opportunity for parents to purchase books and gifts for the

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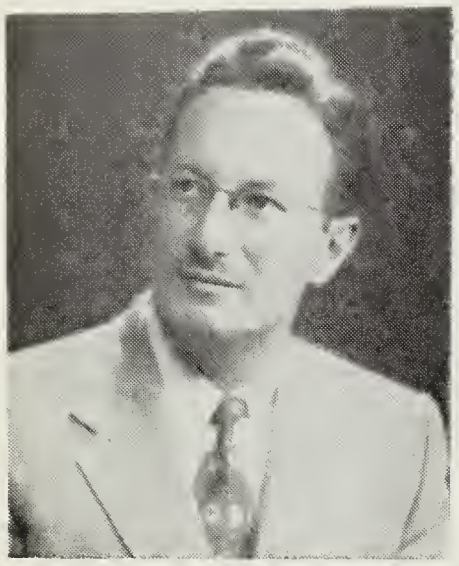
ADULT EDUCATION PROGRA

"BASIC PROBLEMS IN PERSONAL LIVING" -



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RABBI A. ALAN STEINBACH

Monday, November 2, 1953
Topic: **"Religion and Psychiatry—Two Approaches to Mental Health**

Rabbi Noveck of the Park Avenue Synagogue is also Director of the National Academy for Adult Jewish Studies of the United Synagogue of America. He was lecturer in the Social Sciences at the College of the City of New York.

IAGO GALDSTON, M.D. is Secretary of the Medical Information Bureau of the New York Academy of Medicine, and Chairman of the International Relations Committee of the American Psychiatric Association. He is the author of "Progress in Medicine" and other books, and co-author of "Modern Attitudes in Psychiatry."

Monday, November 9, 1953
Topic: **"Mastering Depression"**

Dr. Ostow is Assistant Attending Neurologist, Mt. Sinai Hospital and a member of the New York Psychoanalytic Association.

Rabbi Steinbach of Temple Ahavath Sholom, Brooklyn, N.Y. is past President of the Brooklyn Board of Rabbis and currently one of the Vice-Presidents of the New York Board of Rabbis. He is also a member of the Board of Directors of the Brooklyn Jewish Community Council and the Jewish Education Committee of New York. While he was a Chaplain during World War II he wrote "In Search of the Paramount" and has written many other books and poems, for which he has won several awards.

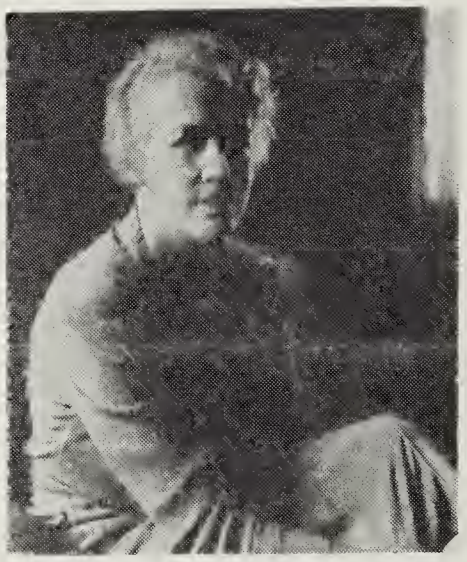
ROLLO MAY, Ph.D.

DR. HENRY E. KAGAN

Monday, November 16, 1953
Topic: **"Overcoming Our Fears and Anxieties"**

Dr. May is a member of the Faculty of the William Alanson White Institute of Psychiatry, Psychology and Psychoanalysis and a practicing Psychoanalyst in New York. He is also a graduate of the Union Theological Seminary. Dr. May has lectured at several universities and is the author of several books and scientific papers, including "The Meaning of Anxiety" and "Man's Search for Himself."

Dr. Kagan of Sinai Temple, Mt. Vernon, N. Y. was ordained at Hebrew Union College and holds a Ph.D. degree in psychology. He is one of the leading advocates of the union between religion and psychiatry and originated the Committee of Pastoral Psychiatry of the Central Conference of American Rabbis. Both Rabbi and qualified psychologist, he is the author of "Changing the Attitude of Christian Toward Jew: A Psychological Approach Through Religion" and other scientific and religious articles.



M. E. KENWORTHY, M.D.

Monday, November 23, 1953
Topic: **"How to Face Grief"**

Dr. Kenworthy is Professor of Psychiatry at the New York Schoool of Social Work, as well as Chairman of the Treatment Center, Psychoanalytic Society. She is also a member of the Board of Directors of the New York Psychoanalytic Society and a member of the Board of Child Adoption Committee of the Free Synagogue and Menninger Foundation. She is also a member of the Citizens' Committee on Children and the National Association for Mental Health.

RABBI NOVECK of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

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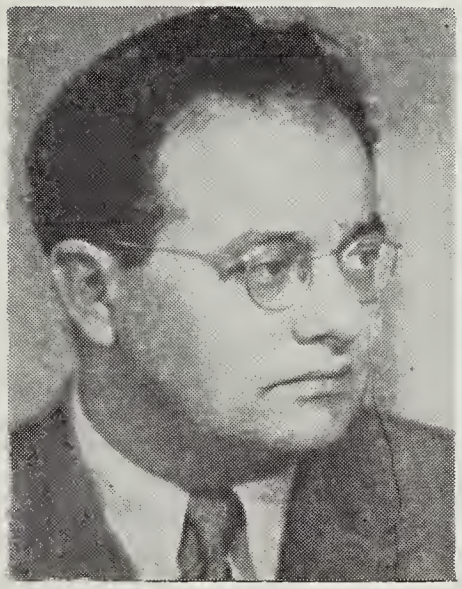


L. PETER DEUTSCH, M.D. DR. EDWARD T. SANDROW

Monday, November 30, 1953

Topic: **"Coping With Our Guilt Feelings"**

Dr. Deutsch did Postgraduate and Research work in Neuropsychiatry at the University of Vienna. In this country he served as Consultant at the Guidance Clinic, Columbia University and the Baird Foundation Clinic. He is a member of the American Psychiatric Association, the New York Psychoanalytic Society and Diplomate of the Amercian Board of Neurology and Psychiatry. He has published various articles on psychiatry and psychoanalysis.

Dr. Sandrow, Rabbi of Congregation Beth El, Cedarhurst, L. I., is a Teaching Fellow at New York University School of Education and has lectured in the Graduate School of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America. He is Chairman of the Placement Commission of the Rabbinical Assembly of America and has published numerous articles for the Reconstructionist, the Jewish Frontier, and the journals.

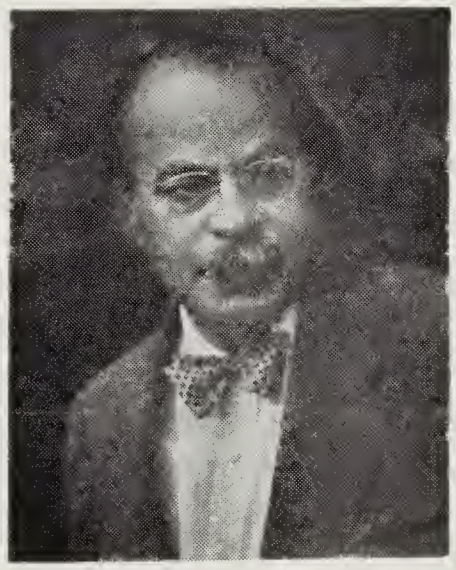
DR. LOUIS I. NEWMAN

Monday, December 7, 1953

Topic: **"Learning to Accept Ourselves"**

ABRAM BLAU, M.D. is attending Psychiatrist, Mt. Sinai Hospital, New York and Psychiatrist-in-charge of Child Psychiatry Division of the Mt. Sinai Hospital. He was School Psychiatrist with the Bureau of Child Guidance and Assistant Professor of Psychiatry at New York University College of Medicine. Dr. Blau is a Fellow of the American Academy of Child Psychiatry, a member of the American Psychoanalytic Association and American Psychosomatic Society. He is the Author of many articles and books on psychiatry.

Dr. Newman is Rabbi of Congregation Rodeph Sholom of New York. He is Official Observer of the Central Conference of American Rabbis at the United Nations, was active in the formation of Brandeis University and author of several books, including "Becoming a New Person" and "Living With Ourselves."



GREGORY ZILBOORG, M.D. DR. EDWARD KLEIN

Monday, December 14, 1953

Topic: **"Sexual Issues, Old and New—An Appraisal"**

Dr. Zilboorg is Professor of Psychiatry at the New York Medical College, Flower Fifth Avenue Hospital and the College of Medicine of the State University of New York. He is Visiting Psychiatrist at the Kings County Hospital and was Gimbel lecturer on Sex Psychology at the University of California. He is also a Diplomate of the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology and a member of the American Psychoanalytic Association. Dr. Zilboorg is Chairman of the Consulting Delegation on Criminology to the United Nations.

Dr. Klein is Rabbi of the Stephen Wise Free Synagogue of New York City and Instructor in History and Bible at the Hebrew Union School of Education. He is Associate Chairman of the Social Action Committee of the Synagogue Council of America, as well as a member of the Board of Directors of the American Social Hygiene Association.

YOUTH NEWS

The Halutzim Society held its initial meeting on Sunday afternoon, October 25 in the vestry of the synagogue. The program for the afternoon was a Social and Game Party. The new ping pong table, which has been made available for the use of the club, vied with many games of "scrabble" for the interest of the members.

This event was planned, along with a tentative schedule for the first half of the year of discussion, parties, debates, lectures and dances, at a reorganization meeting held at the home of Mr Arnold Turetsky, the club leader.

The next meeting of the Halutzim will be held in the vestry at 2:30 P.M. on Sunday, November 8. All young people between the ages of 15 and 18 are invited to attend.

The members of the Executive Board who have planned the series of meetings are: Roger Waldman, Teddy Zucker, Steve Feldman, Marilyn Greenberg, Alice Heyman, Joe Tulchin, Lee Reichman, Alice Helpern, Doris Wimpfheimer, Eleanor Foa and Martin and Arline Petroff.

Scout Trip

Scout Troop #600, affiliated with the Park Avenue Synagogue, sent two of its members, Michael Freedman and Teddy Pincus, to the National Boy Scout Jamboree held at Irvine Ranch, Santa Ana, California during the month of July.

The following report on their experiences was written by the boys:

"Friday morning, July 10, the B&O special pulled out of the small Jersey City Railroad Center. It was quite an impressive sight watching over 750 Scouts and leaders departing from New York!

The trip was a wonderful one. We saw such beautiful sights as: Pike's Peak, Garden of the Gods, Grand Canyon, Muir Redwoods, and Yellowstone National Park; aside from the eight cities we toured.

But the most interesting as well as enjoyable part of the whole trip was the Jamboree itself. Here we not only saw thousands of scouts, but conversed with them as well. With many different faiths and races present, the Jamboree was truly the "UN in Short Pants". Not only the material things were beautiful, like the drawings on the tents, or the "Troop Doorways", but the feeling of unity was always apparent. Our own Troop #9 was a perfect example, one-half Negro, the other Caucasion and Mongoloid. In religion, we varied from Catholic to Protestant, to Jewish. Although the Jewish boys were a small group in comparison to the other faiths, we managed to keep Kosher throughout the trek, and also had time for Sabbath evening and morning services!

We will rave about the sights, the experiences and the values of the great THIRD NATIONAL BOY SCOUT JAMBOREE until 1955 when a World Jamboree will be held".

Senior League Discusses Israel American Jewry

The Senior League, at its first open meeting on October 8, was privileged to hear a most forceful discussion by Dr. Paul Riebenfeld on the relationship between Israel and American Jewry. This was the first in a planned series on "Three Hundred Years of American Judaism".

Dr. Riebenfeld, a former member of the Board of Deputies of British Jews, former Zionist delegate to the League of Nations, and now a director of the Palestine Economic Corp., discussed the attitudes of the world community toward Jews and the effect the establishment of the secular State of Israel has had in raising the status of Jews. Rabbi Noveck spoke briefly on the reciprocal role Jews in America can play in spurring the religious values of Israel. James Pullman was chairman for the evening.

On Sunday, October 11, the League held its first afternoon dance of the season under the chairmanship of Misses Mahl and Gershman and Messrs. Joseph and Kieval.

The next open meeting, marking Jewish book month, will be held on Thursday, November 19, All young Synagogue affiliates are invited to attend.

Need a stimulant to lift you up?
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SCHOOL NEWS

STUDENT-TEACHER PROGRAM: In September, 1952, The Religious School inaugurated a student-teacher program for the post-confirmands with the assignment of Sylvia Schneider and Michele Kaye to two Primary Department classes on Sunday morning. Under the guidance and supervision of the regular teachers, the student-teachers had the opportunity to observe the instruction; to assist the children with their music, dance and craft work; to discuss teaching techniques, and to teach parts of the lesson during the school year. In addition to their many pleasurable and profitable experiences, the student-teachers had the satisfaction of being part of the big program of Jewish education.

This year the student-teacher program has been expanded to permit the following post-confirmands to study and assist in the Primary Department: Meryl Blau, Sandra Cohen, Sandra Gevirtz, Alice Heyman and Doris Wimpfheimer.

BOOK FAIR POSTERS: The students of the Religious School are cooperating with the Jewish Book Fair to be sponsored by the Parents' Association. In each class, the students are preparing colorful posters which will be used to decorate the vestry during the Book Fair, which begins on Sunday morning, November 15. At the conclusion of the Book Fair, a committee of parents and teachers will judge the posters and award prixes to the most artistic, most original and most attractive posters.

Book Fair

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approaching Chanukah holidays.

The plans for the orientation meeting for the mothers of new children of the Religious School has been unexpectedly cancelled due to the construction work of the new building. The Executive Board hopes, however, to greet the new parents at its open meeting November 18.

Young Marrieds Plan Cocktail Party With Marine Theme at Gotham Hotel

By NAOMI JACOBSON

The Young Marrieds toast the social season with their annual cocktail party to be held on Sunday, November 15, between the magic hours of three and six. Get your Baby Sitter and plan to "sea" your friends "caper" at the Cape Cod Room of the Gotham Hotel. Please "check your fins" with Dudley Greenstein, esteemed Treasurer, who will gladly accept $8.00 per couple.

It's no fish story when we can assure you of all the cocktails you can drink and dancing to the accompaniment of a fine accordianist. There will be no "crabbing" when you see the delicious hors d'oeuvres and finger sandwiches to be served.

Olives and maraschino cherries go to Mrs. Marvin Robinson and Mrs. Seymour Finkelstein, chairman and co-chairman of the party. They have done the footwork and planning which will ensure a gala afternoon. The group also wishes to thank the members of their committee who are: Mrs. Charles Jacobson, Mrs. Nathan Schifirin, Mrs. Marvin Cohen, Mrs. Donald Schlessinger, Mrs. Dudley Greenstein, Mrs. Budd Keller, Mrs. Asa Sokolow, Mrs. Norman Blumstein, Mrs. Fred Krones and Mrs. Norman Cohen.

So Young Marrieds if you haven't sent in your checks, do so today or you'll be "angling" to be with us in vain. And we can promise you this: If you can't swim when you arrive at the Cape Cod Room, we'll see to it that you are swimming by the time you leave!

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James Wechsler to be Men's Club Speaker

The Men's Club, after starting the season with a stimulating political forum evening devoted to the mayoralty election, is following up with an extremely interesting November meeting.

The guest speaker will be James A. Wechsler, Editor of the New York Post. He has chosen as the subject of his address, "McCarthyism—The Age Of Suspicion". As one of the men under attack by Senator Joseph McCarthy, who appeared before his investigating committee in a very fascinating session; as well as the editor of one of the most liberal newspapers in the United States, he is well qualified to discuss this topic.

Therefore all men are urged to reserve Tuesday evening, November 17 beginning at 8:30 P.M., to treat themselves to a program they will regret missing.

Theater Party

Members should be sure to purchase their tickets for the Men's Club Annual Theater Party being held on Wednesday evening, December 16. The play picked —"The Solid Gold Cadillac", written by George S. Kaufman; produced by Max Gordon; and starring Josephine Hull—is a delightful comedy.

Tickets can be obtained by communicating with Chairman Charles Bennet at MU 2-8867 (Office), or AT 9-8505 (Home).

Yizkor Elohim

ABRAM RACOOSIN
husband of Mrs. Abram Racoosin
brother of Mrs. David J. Putterman

WILLIAM MARKEL
father of Mrs. Ralph Feig

UN General Assembly To be Sisterhood Topic At Meeting Nov. 17

Another phase of the United Nations will be presented at Sisterhood's next meeting, Tuesday, November 17, at 1:30 P. M. in the Vestry of the Synagogue. A prominent speaker will address the group on the subject of the General Assembly. This follows the general briefing so capably given by Mr. Mills and the visit to the United Nations Buildings.

"Tea House of the August Moon", the play Sisterhood has chosen for its annual Brunch and Theatre Party has received rave notices out of town, and the critics predict a New York sellout.

Those members who send in their money for ads and share booklets immediately, will receive the choice seats for the show. Members are urged to plan a concentrated effort and sell enough ads and booklets so that they may invite their friends.

The three grand prizes include a five day cruise for two, a four day stay at Grossingers and a week end at Marble Hall. The cooperation of the entire membership is needed to insure the success of this project.

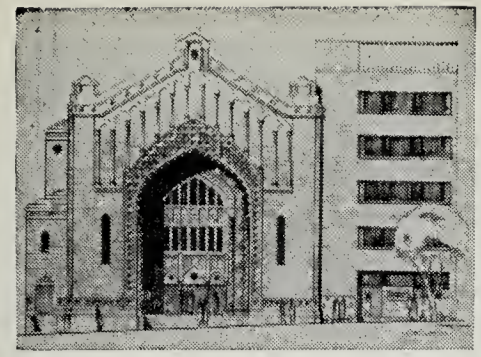
Members may call Mrs. Sanford H. Cohen ATwater 9-7638 for share books and Mrs. Saul Granetts TRafalgar 9-8919 for ad blanks.

Mr. and Mrs. Group Plans Year's Lecture Program

The Mr. and Mrs. Group of the Synagogue is undertaking , as the theme of its meetings for this year, a Comparative Study of Religions, with particular emphasis upon a comparison of the basic tenets and customs of Judaism with those of other religions.

An introductory discussion of the subject with Rabbi Siegel of Mt. Neboh Congregation as guest speaker, will take place at the next monthly meeting of the Group, which will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Le Roy Weisburger, 170 West 72nd Street, New York City, on Tuesday evening, October 27, at 8:30 P.M.

The Mr. and Mrs. Group welcomes interested new members. Those interested in joining them, should inquire of Rabbi Noveck.



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U.N. Director to be Guest of Sisterhood

Sisterhood will hold its meeting on Tuesday, November 17 at the Croydon Hotel, 12 East 86th Street, at 1:00 P.M. Dr. William Agar, Director of the Special Services Division, Dept. of Publicity and Information of the United Nations will discuss "Issues Before the 8th Session of the U.N General Assembly." Dr. Agar is one of the most brilliant and outstanding members of the U.N. staff. All members are urged to attend, and to note the change of meeting place.

As those who have already read in the rave notices know, "Tea House of the August Moon" is a smash hit. It is practically impossible to obtain tickets for any near date. Sisterhood has been fortunate in choosing this outstanding success for its Theatre Matinee and Brunch Project.

The time is getting short and there

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Rabbis, Psychiatrists Continue Adult Lectures

On Monday, November 16 the topic of the Major Lecture Series at 9:00 P.M. will be "Overcoming our Fears and Anxieties." The psychiatric point of view will be discussed by Dr. Rollo May, who is a member of the Faculty of the William Alonson White Institute of Psychiatry, Psychology and Psychoanalysis and a practicing psychoanalyst in New York. He is also a graduate of the Union Theological Seminary. Dr. May is the author of several books and scientific papers, including "The Meaning of Anxiety" and "Man's Search for Himself."

The religious point of view will be discussed by Dr. Henry E. Kagan, who is Rabbi of Sinai Temple in Mt. Vernon, as well as a qualified psychologist. He

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James Wechsler to be Speaker at Men's Club

JAMES A. WECHSLER

James A. Wechsler, Editor of the *New York Post*, will be the guest speaker at the second regular meeting of the Men's Club on Tuesday evening, November 17. His topic will be "McCarthyism—The Age of Suspicion."

Mr. Wechsler was born in New York City in 1915. While a student at Columbia he was Editor of the *Columbia Spectator* during 1934-5. His post graduate work saw him as Assistant Editor

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Congregants to Attend United Synagogue's Convention in Miami

Our congregation will participate in the forthcoming National Convention of the United Synagogue of America. The Convention will be held from November 15 through November 19 at the Casablanca Hotel in Miami Beach, Florida. Delegates from our congregation include: Jacob Klein, President; Sanford H. Cohen, Chairman of the Board of Trustees and Israel Oseas.

Rabbi Noveck has been invited to deliver an address on "Adult Jewish Education and Building Synagogue Leadership."

"Building Synagogue Leadership" is the theme of the Convention, which will hear a report on the National Leadership Survey recently undertaken by the United Synagogue in cooperation with the Bureau of Social Research of Columbia University. This report will assume special significance because it will not only present a picture of leadership conditions in our congregations, but because it will also outline a National Leadership Program based on the findings of this Survey.

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday Evening, November 13 ..... 8:30 P.M.
Rabbi Harold Weisberg will preach

Saturday Morning, November 14 ..... 9:45 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Gary Rothstein

Friday Evening, November 20 ..... 8:30 P.M.
Rabbi Noveck will discuss:
"Creative Jewish Leadership in America"
A Report on the United Synagogue Convention in Miami

Saturday Morning, November 21 ..... 9:45 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Alan Mehlman

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from the desk of the Principal

The celebration of Jewish Book Month throughout the United States during the month of November may encourage a stock-taking of one's library to see whether it is as varied and as comprehensive as it should be. The success of the many book clubs and the phenomenal sale of the inexpensive paper-bound reprints and originals assure us that our book shelves are replete with classical and current English and American literature. However, in many Jewish homes, the shelves are bare of books of Jewish interest or culture. There may even be some homes that do not have a copy of the Bible.

The approaching Chanukah season gives me the opportunity of following in the well-worn path of our literary critics and literary magazines who publish Christmas lists of "best books." On all sides we are urged to buy a book for father from one list, for parents from another, for fisherman from a third, and, of course, a special list for our kindergarden friend. Following the accepted pattern, I have compiled the following list of Ten Jewish Books that should be in every Jewish home:

Daily Prayer Book—Joseph H. Hertz, Chief Rabbi of the British Empire. This Siddur contains a most comprehensive and literary translation of the Hebrew text in addition to an excellent introduction, and the best commentaries on the prayer book published in English.

Pentateuch and Haftorahs—Rabbi Joseph H. Hertz. This is a companion book to the Daily Prayer Book. In addition to the Hebrew and English texts, it has a most enlightening commentary based upon the scholarship of ancient and modern commentators.

Basic Judaism—Rabbi Milton Steinberg writes about the beliefs, ideals and practices that make up the historic Jewish faith. It is one of the very best presentations of the essential principles and beliefs of the Jewish people.

The Jewish Festivals — Hayyim Schauss. This is the classic presentation of the history, customs, ceremonies and traditions of the Jewish holidays.

Adventures of K'ton Ton—Sadie R. Weilerstein. A story of a Jewish Tom Thumb to be read by parents to children and to be enjoyed by both. A delightful development of the traditions, customs and ceremonies of Jewish living.

The Golden Bible—Elsa Jane Werner. This is a beautifully illustrated selection of stories from the Old Testament. The book is written for the young reader and the young listener.

The Songs We Sing—Harry Coopersmith. A comprehensive and varied collection of song material with a full and rich accompaniment, but simple enough to permit parents and children to sing together the songs that are so much a part of Jewish life and culture.

A History of the Jews — Solomon Grayzel. A complete and popular history of the Jews from the Babylonian Exile to the modern day. The Jewish people are viewed as part of the social, economic and cultural development of mankind.

Jewish Caravan—Leo W. Schwarz attempts to give a collective portrait of the Jewish people as seen in its literature. The one hundred stories in the book cover a period of twenty-five centuries.

Trial and Error, Autobiography of Chaim Weizmann. The story of the growth of Zionism and the establishment of the State of Israel as seen through the life of a great man and a great Jew.

Jewish Cookery — Leah W. Leonard. A basic Jewish cookbook for lovers of Jewish food. All the traditional recipes and variations based upon European regional differences may be found in this book.

This is a minimal list of Ten Books* that seeks to acquaint you and your family with the fundamental beliefs, practices, history, traditions, and culture—both literary and musical of the Jewish people.

Those members who made pledges to the United Jewish Appeal during the High Holy Days are requested to redeem them by sending in their checks to the congregation. Those who have not yet responded or given their gift for this year are urged to do so now. Conditions overseas, in Israel and behind the Iron Curtain are extremely bad.

Adult Classes

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is one of the leading advocates of the union between religion and psychiatry and originated the Committee of Pastoral Psychiatry of the Central Conference of American Rabbis. He is the author of "Changing the Attitude of Christian Toward Jew: A Psychological Approach Through Religion" and other scientific and religious articles.

On the following Monday, November 23, Dr. Marion E. Kenworthy will discuss the psychiatric point of view of the topic "How to Face Grief." Dr. Kenworthy is Professor of Psychiatry at the New York School of Social Work, as well as Chairman of the Treatment Center of the Psychoanalytic Society. She is also a member of the Board of Directors of the New York Psychoanalytic Society and a member of the Board of the Child Adoption Committee of the Free Synagogue and Menninger Foundation. She is also a member of the Citizens' Committee on Children and the National Association for Mental Health. Rabbi Simon Noveck will present the religious point of view.

On November 16 and 23, at 8:00 P.M., Rabbi Mordecai Waxman will discuss the topics "Morals and Politics," the Book of Isaiah, and "The Uses of the Past," the philosophy of History in the Books of Judge, Samuel and Kings.

Cantor Putterman will conduct his classes in Choral Music and Cantillation, and the courses in Hebrew will be held.

You are invited to fill that open space on your book shelves. Call the Religious School office and we will arrange for the Parents Association to secure any or all of these books for you.

**For those who have been counting, I could not resist adding that cookbook to my original list.*

MARTIN LEICHTLING
Principal, Religious School

United Synagogue

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In addition to the Survey Report, Plenary Sessions, Seminars and Workshops have been scheduled to deal with the leadership problem in all its phases.

"TAPPING NEW LEADERSHIP RESOURCES" is the overall title for a series of seminars that will delve into developing congregational leadership through Men's Club and Sisterhood; that will explore the possibility of how the School can help build leadership; that will review the potentialities of enlisting youth for synagogue leadership; and that will give particular consideration to one of the most important power resources for leadership building—the Young Married Couples Clubs that, in the past few years, have been springing up in congregations all over.

"THE PSYCHOLOGICAL FOUNDATIONS OF SYNAGOGUE LEADERSHIP" will come in for an equally thorough scrutiny. Basic requirements for synagogue leadership will be examined in a free give and take. Human and public relations problems in congregational management will be studied by professional experts and lay leaders alike; and most important of all, the democratic process in synagogue administration will receive full treatment in all its facets.

"LEADERSHIP IN ACTION" is the theme of a third round of Seminars dealing with leadership in budget planning; techniques for the congregational meeting; the membership campaign and the School Board and its functions.

Adult Education as a prime instrument for leadership building will be accorded full attention by the Convention, just as well as a review of the Ramah Camps—truly the training grounds for congregational leadership of tomorrow.

A major presentation on the relationships of synagogue and community will assume particular significance by formulating the position of the Conservative Movement on the leadership problem in the Jewish community at large.

A series of special events have been planned to balance the working program of the Convention with a variety of recreational pleasures. Both will be a boon, indeed, to all those who will share personally in one of the most challenging tasks of the Conservative Movement.

SCHOOL NEWS

Keren Ami

The weekly contributions made by the students in the Religious School to *Keren Ami* aim at developing within the youth a consciousness of the slogan "All Jews are responsible for one another."

In the purposeful and educational manner, the student learns the art of participating in organized community life. He is taught to contribute a portion of his allowance to worthy causes both here and abroad. After a careful study of the needs and problems of the various Jewish agencies and funds, the children, at the end of the school year, allocate and distribute their funds through the democratic choice of their elected delegates to the Junior Congregation Synagogue Council.

During the last school year contributions from *Keren Ami* collections were assigned to United Jewish Appeal, the Jewish Theological Seminary, Hadassah, Hias, Israel Orphan Asylum, the Hebrew University, Histadruth Ivrit, Association for Jewish Education, and the Reed Mogen David.

Jewish National Fund

In addition to the regular *Keren Ami* collection, the school participates in two special fund-raising drives during the year. On the local scene a drive is conducted for the support of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies and, on the foreign scene, one for the support of the Jewish National Fund which raises money for the purchase and the redemption of land in Israel.

During the month of November, the students of the Religious School will participate in the Jewish National Fund's Annual Tag Day. In recent years, the money collected throughout the world has been used to make hundreds of thousands of acres of land available for agricultural settlement; has drained and converted swamp land from regions of waste and pestilence into productive farmland; and, through stone-clearing and terracing has helped to keep intact the corridor between Jerusalem and Tel Aviv. This year, the slogan of the drive is "Conquest of the Desert" and the students hope to have their usual success in the sale of 10c tags for this cause.

Board Vice-Chairman Elected to J.E.C. Board

Joseph Howard Katz, the Vice-Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Synagogue and former President of the Men's Club, has been elected to the Board of the Jewish Education Committee of New York.

The Jewish Education Committee is the central coordinating agency for Jewish Education in New York. It serves all types of Jewish schools, communal, congregational, Orthodox, Conservative, Reform, Hebrew and Yiddish. In the New York metropolitan area alone, Jewish Education Committee serves over 500 schools and 70,000 pupils.

Mazel Tov

TO Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Sack on the Engagement of their daughter, Jean to Gene Wollan.

TO Dr. and Mrs. Nathan Schifrin on the Birth of a son, Mark Elliot, October 21.

TO Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Cohen on the Birth of a Granddaughter.

Sisterhood

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are still tickets available. These are distributed in the order in which the checks are received for the booklets or ads. Those who have not as yet sent in their checks, should do so without delay and make every effort to take a booklet and sell as many others as they can.

The inducement is great. While helping a good cause, one can enjoy a Brunch at the Astor, a hit Matinee and participation in three Grand Prizes—a five day cruise for two, a four day holiday at Grossinger's and a weekend at Marble Hall.

November 16 is the deadline for ads. They must be in at that time.

It is urgent that everyone contribute to make this event a real success. Send all checks immediately.

Members may call Mrs. Sanford H. Cohen, ATwater 9-7638 for share books and Mrs. Saul Granetts, TRafalgar 9-8919 for ad blanks.

Mr. & Mrs. Studies ComparativeReligions

The Mr. and Mrs. Group is holding a series of talks and discussions under the guidance of well qualified speakers on the subject of "A Comparative Study of Religions." A very interesting and informative introduction to the subject was given on October 27, by Rabbi Samuel Siegel, of Mt. Nebo Congregation, whose talk was followed by a spirited discussion.

The next monthly meeting of the group will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Simet, 575 West End Avenue, on Tuesday evening, November 24, commencing promptly at 8:30 P.M.

In further exploration of the subject, the group will be addressed by Rabbi David J. Seligson, of Central Synagogue, who will discuss "Comparative Judaism."

Wechsler Speaks

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of the *Nation* magazine (1938-9); Assistant Editor of the newspaper *PM* (1940-1) and the chief of its Washington Bureau (1942-4). In 1946 he got the position of Washington correspondent for the *N. Y. Post* and became the Editor of the newspaper in 1949.

Several months ago Mr. Wechsler became the object of investigation by Senator Joseph McCarthy.

Next month Men's Club will present a prominent guest speaker who will discuss the opposing view.

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Community Groups Hear Rabbi Noveck

In recent weeks Rabbi Noveck has addressed various organizations and groups in the local and national Jewish communities.

On September 21 he spoke on "The Life and Philosophy of Milton Steinberg" at a luncheon of the Milton Steinberg Chapter of Hadassah at the Hotel Gotham. On October 26 he participated in the Religious Education Workshop of the Adult Education Association Convention at the Hotel New Yorker, as Resource Consultant. Invocation at the N. Y. State Regional Conference of the National Council of Jewish Women was given by Rabbi Noveck on October 27.

On November 3, Rabbi Noveck addressed the students at the Horace Mann School in Riverdale, on the topic "Acquiring a Sense of Values," and on November 10, gave an address at the Forest Hills Jewish Center on "Whither American Jewry?" On November 17, he will be a major speaker at the National Convention of the United Synagogue of America on "Adult Jewish Education and Building Synagogue Leadership."

Book Fair to Feature Displays on Jewish Life

The annual Book Fair conducted by the Parents Association will open Sunday, November 15, and will continue through November 18.

An excellent selection of books on Jewish life, and record albums of Jewish music will be displayed on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday afternoons as well as at the Adult Education Classes on Monday evening, and the open meeting of the Parents Association on Wednesday evening. The children of the Religious School are invited to view the books and to make their selections on Monday afternoon, November 16 at 3:00 P.M. Refreshments will be served to the youngsters. Mrs. Leon Klein and Mrs. Meyer Kaplan are chairmen of the Fair.

This year, the Parents Association will sponsor the annual Chanukah party for the Park Avenue Synagogue. Plans are under way to make this a gala and memorable occasion. For the children who attend the Religious School, there will be an evening party in addition to the various class room parties. Further details will appear in the next issue of the BULLETIN.

Leading Pediatrician To Address Parents

Dr. Milton Levine, well known pediatrician and a leader in his field, will be the guest speaker at the first open meeting of the Parents Association on November 18, at 8:30 P.M. in the Vestry. His topic: "What Makes a Good Father?" will be followed by a question and answer period.

Dr. Levine is associate attending pediatrician at the New York Hospital, Cornell Medical Center, and is also consulting pediatrician for New York City in the Department of Health. His books, "Wonder of Life" and "A Baby Is Born," and his articles which have appeared in leading newspapers and magazines, have been widely read.

Parents of children who attend the Religious School, will find this meeting of special interest, as they will have the opportunity of meeting their youngster's teachers. Refreshments will be served and a social evening will follow.

Elected as Hadassah Officer

Mrs. Joseph Hamerman has been elected as one of the three National Vice-Presidents of Hadassah at their annual convention held, this year, in Washington, D.C.

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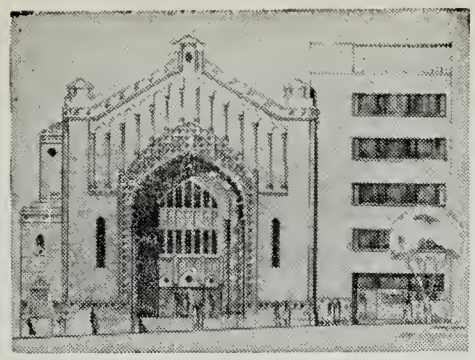

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Sisterhood's Brunch, Theatre Matinee Set For Dec. 2, at Astor

Sisterhood is waiving its meeting for the month of December to plunge wholeheartedly into its gala Brunch and Theatre Matinee on December 2. In January, Sisterhood will resume its course on the various aspects of the United Nations with new and interesting speakers.

It is hoped that all members of the Synagogue and their friends will cooperate with Sisterhood on their Brunch and Theatre Matinee. Along with a delicious repast at the Astor Hotel, each guest will enjoy a performance of the season's top hit, "Tea House of the August Moon." In addition three glamorous vacation prizes will be offered—five day cruise for two, a four day stay at

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Arthur Cohen to Speak Dec. 4

Arthur Cohen, President of the *Noon Day Press*, will address the congregation at Friday evening services, December 4, at 8:30 P.M. His topic will be "The Respectable and Unrespectable Virtues."

Mr. Cohen is the son of Isidore M. Cohen, 1st Vice-President of the Park

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Bernard Cherrick to Discuss "Faith in Freedom", Nov. 27

Bernard Cherrick, Director General of the Board of Governors of the Hebrew University in Jerusalem, will be the guest speaker at services, Friday Evening, November 27 at 8:30 P.M. He will discuss "Faith in Freedom," in celebration of Thanksgiving.

Born in Dublin, Ireland, Bernard Cherrick was educated in England. He studied at the Universities of Manchester and London where he took his M.A. in Semitics and Philosophy. Awarded a post-graduate Fellowship he did research in the field of Sociology at the London School of Economics.

BERNARD CHERRICK

Prior to the war, Mr. Cherrick was Rabbi at one of the leading Synagogues in London and subsequently served as an Army Chaplain. On returning to civilian life, he was appointed Director of the Jewish National Fund and also of the United Palestine Appeal for Great Britain.

Settling in Israel before the establishment of the State, he was appointed to

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Roy Cohn to Address Men's Club on Dec. 10

On Thursday evening, December 10, the Men's Club is having the second in a two program series devoted to the current American scene. The guest speaker will be Roy M. Cohn, Chief Counsel of the U. S. Senate Investigating Committee, and his topic is "The Danger of Communism and Communist Apologists."

Mr. Cohn, who attended the Horace Mann School and Columbia College, graduated Columbia Law School in 1947. During the period 1947-1953 he served in the Department of Justice as a Special Assistant to the Attorney General of the United States in charge of subversive activities.

Earlier this year he was appointed Chief Counsel of the Senate Investigating Committee, which is under the chairmanship of Senator Joseph McCarthy of

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Parents Group Invites Congregation To Annual Chanukah Party, Dec. 6

The Parents Association extends a very cordial invitation to the entire membership of the Park Avenue Synagogue to attend a *Chanukah* party on Sunday evening, December 6, at 8:30 in the Vestry of the Synagogue.

Mrs. Hector Ritey, chairman of the affair, and Mrs. Aaron Schoenbaum, chairman of hospitality, are planning a gala function.

Cantor David Putterman will kindle the traditional *Chanukah* lights in an impressive and beautiful ceremony. The recitation of the blessings appropriate for lighting the candles on each of the eight nights of the Festival should make this celebration a memorable one.

Known as the Feast of Lights, *Chanukah*, which means dedication, goes back

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LIGHT SHABBAT CANDLES

Friday, Nov. 27, at 4:12 P.M. (E.S.T.)
Friday, Dec. 4, at 4:10 P.M. (E.S.T.)
Friday, Dec. 11, at 4:10 P.M. (E.S.T.)

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message from Bulletin Board

The following is an excerpt from an address delivered by Dr. Abraham A. Neuman, President, The Dropsie College, on July 15, 1952, at the Hebrew Teachers College, entitled "A Historian Views the Contemporary Jewish Scene," which should be of interest to our readers:

Most of us are the grandchildren, if not the children, of this nineteenth century Judaism. We are heirs to the riches and the spiritual diversity which the historian's art contributed to this epochal period. The startling and revolutionary events of the twentieth century have created new problems for the Jewish people. In consequence, we, too, are a deeply preplexed generation grappling with the manifold problems of spiritual survival. Our communities are weighted down with heavy burdens and ideological tensions. We are pioneering none too successfully with elementary Jewish education. We are still struggling with the difficulties of religious adjustments. Our programs of communal activities are imbalanced — often misshapen by group pressures — because we have not developed standards of evaluation that are derived from the spiritual experiences of the Jewish people. To develop such standards is the most crucial need of the hour.

We need the insight of the historian. We must recapture the art of historic perception which once distinguished the Jewish people. We must regain the intuitive judgment which is derived from conscious attunement and identification with our historic past.

In this spirit, let us review some aspects of the contemporary Jewish scene. I turn to education first because it is nearest to our hearts. Why is it that, by and large, Jewish education is subordinated in community planning to the needs of hospital expansion, homes for the aged, and other eleemosynary institutions? How is one to explain that higher Jewish education must go begging and pleading for a minimum of support to keep itself alive in this era of multi-million dollar chests of community funds? How does this attitude measure up with the sanctions and values of the long range of Jewish historic experience?

In every age, Jews gave expression to the goodness of their hearts through acts of loving-kindness. From time immemorial, Jews were trained by Biblical precept and Talmudic injunction to tend the sick, to feed the hungry, to shelter the orphan, and to protect the widow. Hostels for the wandering stranger, hospitals for the sick, homes for the aged were built by every important community on synagogue premises. These institutions were the normal features of the Jewish way of life. But no community in any of the great historic Jewish settlements of Babylon, Germany, Spain or Poland would base its claim to fame on these grounds.

The fame of Jewish communities rested on its scholars, the academies they founded, the disciples they raised, the books they composed, and the influence they wielded by their learning and wisdom. No program of social service, however vital and efficient, ranked in value with the academies of higher learning. In Jewish history, there was no *ersatz* for Torah.

It is in this historic light that we must view exultantly the rise of Jewish institutions of learning in this country. America is destined to become the scene of a Jewish renaissance if only American Jewry will be true to its historic calling.

As in former days, Spain succeeded Babylon, and Franco-Germany was followed by Poland and Lithuania, so now there is rising up under our eyes a potent American Jewry which is impulsively seeking avenues to express the Jewish genius that inheres within us. It is devoutly to be hoped that innate Jewish wisdom will prevail in our community councils; that our communal leaders will realize how vital our institutions of learning are for our spiritual survival as Jews. For let this warning be heeded. No Jewish community will survive in history or will be remembered a hundred or five hundred years hence, if it neglects and starves the institutions that are the reservoirs of its spiritual existence.

Mazel Tov

TO Dr. and Mrs. Theodore Kaplan on the Birth of a Grandson.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Rosenbloom on the Birth of a Grandson.

TO Dr. and Mrs. Louis Leiter on the Birth of a Granddaughter.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Harry Yager on the Engagement of their daughter, Helene Louise.

Unveiling of Weill Memorial

The unveiling of the monument of Charles Weill will take place on December 6, at 2:30 P.M. at the Mt. Zion Cemetery in Maspeth, Long Island.

Cherrick Speaks

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the post of Director of Organization and Information at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem where he also lectures in the Extension courses.

At the last meeting of the Board of Governors, Mr. Cherrick was nominated Director General of the Board. In recent years he has travelled very widely and lectured in most parts of the world including Australia, New Zealand, Canada, Great Britain, South Africa, Latin America and the United States. Mr. Cherrick lives in Jerusalem and speaks with first-hand knowledge of Israel and many other lands.

Arthur Cohen

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Avenue Synagogue. Mr. Cohen received his Master's Degree in Philosophy at the University of Chicago and is shortly to receive his Doctorate in Philosophy. He had a Fellowship for two years at the Jewish Theological Seminary and has written articles for *Judaism*, *Cross-Current* and *Review of Religion*.

Chanukah Class Parties Planned for Students

The annual *Chanukah* celebration for students of the Relgious School will be conducted by the school in cooperation with the Parents Association.

Individual Class parties will take place on Sunday morning, November 29, on Monday afternoon, November 30, and on Tuesday afternoon, December 1. Appropriate dancing, games, and refreshments will mark these festivities. The Class Mothers, under the chairmanship of Mrs. Bernard Grauer and her co-chairman, Mrs. Emil Foster, will assist in the arrangements for these parties.

Class Mothers have been appointed by the Parents Association for the coming year. At all functions of the Religious School, the Class Mothers take an active part in planning and supervising parties for the children. The following Class Mothers have been announced:

Hebrew 1A - Mrs. Albert Cornell
Mrs. Sam Deutsch
Hebrew 1B - Mrs. Alexander Stein
Mrs. Philip Weisberg
Hebrew 2A - Mrs. Ralph Feig
Mrs. Joseph Rubenstein
Hebrew 2B - Mrs. Jack Alberts
Mrs. Julius Fields
Hebrew 3A - Mrs. Nathan Kogan
Mrs. Paul Brody
Hebrew 3B - Mrs. Nathan Adam
Mrs. Joseph Pincus
Hebrew 4 - Mrs. Bernard Bienstock
Mrs. Edward Nalin
Hebrew 5 - Mrs. Eugene Roth
Sunday School 1 - Mrs. Norman Levy
Mrs. Paul Miller
Sunday School 2 - Mrs. Irving Weinstein
Sunday School 3A-Mrs. William Halpern
Sunday School 3B-Mrs. Philip Gore
Mrs. Robert Kogan

Sisterhood Affair

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Grossinger's and a week end at Marble Hall.

Tickets are still available and those who have not as yet purchased share books are urged to hurry so that they may participate in the gala affair. All those who have not sent in money thus far are advised to do so immediately before all seats are taken.

This is a real opportunity to help Sisterhood, and, at the same time, enjoy a delightful afternoon. Call Mrs. Sanford Cohen, ATwater 9-7638, for share books and send checks to Mrs. William Karmiol, 400 East 58 Street, NYC., N. Y.

SCHOOL NEWS

Chanukah, the Festival of Dedication, known also as the Feast of Lights, is celebrated for eight days beginning on the 25th day of *Kislev*, which this year begins on Tuesday evening, December 1.

Chanukah is a gay holiday and is appealing to both the young and old. To develop the *Chanukah* spirit in your home, involve your children in the preparations for the holiday; the making of home decorations, the buying of the menorah, the sending of *Chanukah* cards, the planning of parties and the exchanging of gifts. On each night of the holiday, the lighting of the candles in the Menorah should take place in the presence of the entire family.

Chanukah Party

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more than 2100 years when Judea was under the domination of a Syrian monarch named Antiochus who sought to coerce the Jews into the worship of idols. Led by the famed Maccabeans, the Jews resisted and, after eight years of guerrilla warfare, routed the enemy and rededicated the Temple in Jerusalem which had been desecrated by the pagans.

The story of *Chanukah* is recounted in the Books of the Maccabees, which form part of the post-Biblical collection of semi-sacred literature known as the Aprocrypha.

An entertaining program will also be presented. Marshall Izen, an unusually talented artist who has delighted audiences throughout the country with his sophisticated humor and piano wizardry, will entertain the guests. Mr. Izen has appeared on many T.V. programs including Ed Sullivan's "Toast of the Town," the Kate Smith Show, Arthur Godfrey's "Talent Scouts," where he was a winner, and subsequently on CBS-TV on "Godfrey and His Friends." Mr. Izen has recently completed nine weeks at the Reubam Bleu, where his act won high acclaim.

For this occasion, the Parents Association has also engaged Arte E. Johnson, a young comedian and a talented singer, who will present a varied program of humor and song. Mr. Johnson, who played in the Broadway success, "Gentlemen Prefer Blondes," is an artist in his field and is well known to theatre-goers.

Refreshments will be served by the Parents Association at the conclusion of the entertainment.

Rabbi Weisberg to be Young Marrieds' Guest

The next meeting of the Young Marrieds will be held on Tuesday evening, December 8, at 8:30 P.M., at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Finkelstein, 737 Park Avenue.

Rabbi Harold Weisberg will be the guest speaker. Dr. Weisberg is the Executive Director of the Jewish Reconstructionist Foundation as well as the Associate Editor of *Reconstructionist* Magazine. A graduate of the Jewish Theological Seminary, Rabbi Weisberg has been the Assistant leader of the Society for the Advancement of Judaism. In addition to these activities, Dr. Weisberg finds time to give lectures.

Rabbi Weisberg has requested the right to reserve a topic for the group which he himself deems timely. The Young Marrieds can, therefore, expect an interesting and stimulating discussion.

Sr. League Launches Diverse Fall Program

The Senior League, at its last open meeting, heard Sidney L. Liskofsky of the American Jewish Committee discuss the McCarran-Walters Immigration Act and the amendments proposed by Sen. Lehman and others. His talk was most informative and thoroughly explored the provisions, ramifications and significance of the laws. The League was especially honored that night by the presence and words of the Synagogue president, Jacob Klein, who recounted the congregation's moving experience in sponsoring the Bar Mitzvah of a refugee youth from Poland.

On November 8, the League held its second fund-raising affair of the season, an evening of Hi Jinx, which, despite the limited vestry facilities, proved most successful.

The League also launched its study group with a discussion of the Book of Job on November 11 at the home of Barbara Lang. The subject was ambitious but the fourteen members who participated more than met the challenge with earnest opinions and stimulating questions which will lead to further study.

On November 19 the League heard Harry Simonhoff, author of "Under Strange Skies," at an open meeting marking the observance of Jewish Book Month. All interested congregants are invited.

Classes Set Attendance Record, Lectures Move to Main Synagogue

The attendance at this season's Main Lecture Series on "Basic Problems in Personal Living" has been so great that future lectures will be held in the Main Synagogue.

On Monday, November 30, Dr. L. Peter Deutsch, and Rabbi Edward T. Sandrow will discuss "Coping With Our Guilt Feelings." Dr. Deutsch is a practicing psychoanalyst in New York. He has served as Consultant at the Guidance Clinic, Columbia University and the Baird Foundation Clinic. He has published various articles on psychiatry and psychoanalysis.

Rabbi Sandrow of Congregation Beth El, Cedarhurst, L. I. is a Teaching Fellow at New York University and has lectured in the Graduate School of the Jewish Theological Seminary.

On Monday, December 7, "Learning to Accept Ourselves" will be discussed by Dr. Abram Blau, presenting the psychoanalytic approach, and Rabbi Louis I. Newman, representing the religious point of view. Dr. Blau is attending Psychiatrist and Psychiatrist-in-Charge of the Child Psychiatry Division at the Mt. Sinai Hospital. He was Assistant Professor of Psychiatry at New York University College of Medicine, and has written articles and books on psychiatry.

Rabbi Newman of Congregation Rodeph Sholom of New York is Official Observer of the Central Conference of American Rabbis at the United Nations and author of several books, including "Living With Ourselves."

On November 30 and December 7, at 8:00 P.M. Rabbi Mordecai Waxman will discuss the topics "The Autobiography of a Prophet," The Soul Struggle of Jeremiah, and "Can Human Nature be Changed?", The Book of Ezekiel.

Cantor Putterman will conduct his classes in Choral Music and Cantillation, and the courses in Hebrew will be held.

Men's Club

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ROY M. COHN

Wisconsin.

Some members of the congregation may recall that Mr. Cohn was Bar Mitzvah at the Park Avenue Synagogue. He is also the recipient of the Annual Award of the Lawyers Division of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies and the Americanism Award of the American Jewish League Against Communism.

It is suggested that all note this meeting will be held on Thursday, December 10, instead of the usual Tuesday evening.

Synagogue Wins Award At Miami Convention

At the 1953 biennial Convention of the United Synagogue held in Miami from November 15 to 19, the Park Avenue Synagogue was awarded the 1953 Solomon Schecter Certificate of Honorable Mention for outstanding achievements in the field of leadership development. The award was received by Sanford H. Cohen, Chairman of the Board, on behalf of the Synagogue.

In consonance with the National Convention theme, "Building Synagogue Leadership," the United Synagogue is conferring these awards to affiliated congregations who have shown outstanding achievements in congregational leadership.

At the Seminar "The Psychological Foundation of Synagogue Leadership," Israel B. Oseas made a presentation on the subject "The Basic Requirements for Synagogue Leadership." Sanford H. Cohen was the chairman of the Seminar "The Democratic Process in Synagogue Administration." Jacob Klein was the discussant on the topic "An Interested Membership."

Rabbi Noveck delivered a major address on "Adult Education and Leadership."

Israel B. Oseas was elected as Vice President of the United Synagogue of America.

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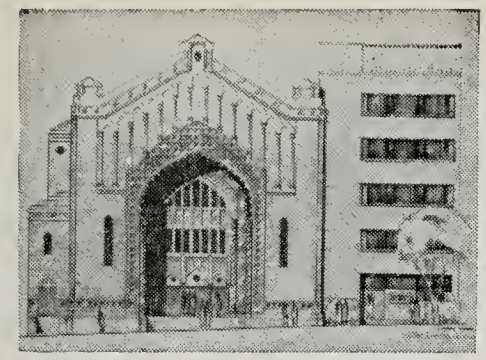
SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday Evening, November 27 ..... 8:30 P.M.
Dr. Bernard Cherrick will discuss:
"Faith in Freedom"
In Celebration of Thanksgiving

Saturday Morning, November 28 ..... 9:45 A.M.
Bas Mitzvah of Ruth Wyler

Friday Evening, December 4 ..... 8:30 P.M.
Arthur Cohen will speak:
"The Respectable and Unrespectable Virtues"

Saturday Morning, December 5 ..... 9:45 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of John Wolf



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Men's Theatre Party To be Held Dec. 16

The Men's Club Theater Party is just a few days away—Wednesday evening, December 16. Those who have put off getting their tickets to see "The Solid Gold Cadillac," should call Charles Bennet immediately, for, at last count, there were not many seats remaining.. He can be reached at MU 2-8867 (office) or AT 9-8505 (home).

This is a hit show and has received the critic's raves. Josephine Hull, the star, has been applauded for one of the best performances in her long career. George Kaufman and Howard Teichmann, the authors, have been commended for bringing back real satire to the Broadway stage.

"A hatful of chuckles," stated Walter F. Kerr in the *New York Herald Tribune.* Wolcott Gibbs of *The New Yorker,* who rarely goes overboard, wrote "A

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Rabbi Noveck Speaker In Jewish Community

On Friday evening, November 13, Rabbi Noveck was a guest speaker in the American Synagogue, Havana, Cuba. He spoke to the congregation on the theme "The Power of Our Great Tradition." Among those in the congregation were Mrs. Tamar Schechter, niece of Solomon Schechter, late President of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America.

On the afternoon of December 9, Rabbi Noveck addressed the Committee of Professionals of the Jewish Education Committee on "The Approach of Conservative Judaism Towards Adult Education." At 8 P.M. that evening he spoke to the Philadelphia Region of the United Synagogue, consisting of representatives of thirty conservative synagogues in the Philadelphia area. His topic was "Can We Produce a Golden Age for 'American Jewry'?"

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Rabbi Saltzman to be Pulpit Guest, Dec. 18

On Friday evening, December 18, Rabbi Manuel Saltzman of Temple Anshe Chesed, West End Avenue and 100th Street, and Rabbi Noveck will exchange pulpits. Rabbi Noveck will participate in the services at Anshe Chesed and deliver the sermon and Rabbi Saltzman will occupy the pulpit at the Park Avenue Synagogue.

Rabbi Saltzman was Assistant Rabbi of the Brooklyn Jewish Center before he came to Anshe Chesed, and prior to that served in Buffalo, N. Y. He is a graduate of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America and is Chairman of the Committee on Youth Activities of the United Synagogue of America.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday Evening, December 11 .....8:30 P.M.
Rabbi Noveck will discuss:
"The Coming Tercentennary Celebration—What Should it Mean to Us?"

Saturday Morning, December 12 .....9:45 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Andrew Sheskin

Friday Evening, December 18 .....8:30 P.M.
Rabbi Manuel Saltzman, Temple Anche Chesed, will conduct Services and deliver Sermon
"Judaism and the Prejudices of Youth"

Saturday Morning, December 19 .....9:45 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach

Friday Evening, December 25 .....8:30 P.M.
Annual College and Youth Night—Symposium
"Jewish Youth in the Modern World"
All students from out-of-town as well as local colleges are invited to attend.

Saturday Morning, December 26 .....9:45 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach

Sisterhood Will Meet At YMHA in January

Sisterhood's gala and successful Brunch and Theatre Party was held on Wednesday, December 2. After brunch at the Astor, the group saw the Broadway smash hit "Tea House of the August Moon."

The subject of "Human Rights and the Status of Women" will be presented to Sisterhood by an authority on this topic at its next meeting on Tuesday afternoon, January 19.

Due to the noise of the building construction, the Sisterhood cannot hold its meetings in the Vestry Room for the next few months. In true neighborly fashion, however, the YMHA at Lexington Avenue and 92nd Street has given permission for open meetings to be held in its Kaufman Art Gallery. All Sisterhood members should make every effort to attend these meetings.

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message from Bulletin Board

(In keeping with a new policy of reprinting material of interest to the congregation, we print below a brief digest of Rabbi Noveck's address at the United Synagogue Convention in Miami, Florida, on November 18. Copies of the full speech will be available in the near future.)

Leadership is one of the crucial problems confronting the Jewish community today. We have in our synagogues and organizations many efficient administrators, technically able. But all too often creative leadership—that rare ability to guide and teach and move every group member to do and give of his best—is sorely lacking.

What does such leadership consist of? Insights may be gleaned from the spiritual biographies and autobiographies of the great men of our day, published in such numbers in recent years. In one form or another, they describe the influences that moulded their lives and helped them to rise to leadership. In the life story of each of these personalities there was some moment of personal discovery, a decisive *gestalt* in which each found his direction and life goal, a sudden illumination which came without conscious effort.

Sometimes it is a poem or a book that stimulates such a luminous moment. Martin Buber, for example, visiting the scene of his childhood, picked up a book about the Baal Shem Tov, the founder of Hasidism, and he was overwhelmed: "Something Jewish awoke within me and I comprehended the idea and perceived my responsibility to teach the Philosophy of Hasidism to the world."

Sometimes it's a particular experience. Moses, wandering with his sheep in the desert of Midian, sees the burning bush and feels the call to return to Egypt and redeem his brethren. Isaiah, at the time of the death of the king, wanders into the temple and in a vision hears the call to leadership.

But on the whole in our tradition the road to leadership has taken long hard years of effort and preparation. The moment of personal discovery, the call to creative activity has come only after a long period of incubation and the gradual maturation of much thinking and living. Jewish leadership has been preeminently an intellectual and moral one. From Ezra and Hillel to Saadia and Maimonides, and even including Solomon Schechter in modern times—they were all cultural personalities who, like Plato's philosopher-kings, rose to eminence after years of study and learning.

We too in our synagogues, if we want to develop creative leaders, must give real emphasis to adult study and living. What must be the point of stress in our adult education programs if we are to produce the right kind of leaders? What areas of study shall we offer?

The first goal of adult Jewish study—and I speak of the systematic courses which every Board of Trustees is morally obligated to set up for its congregation—is to furnish a framework of meaning for our Judaism. We hear a great deal these days about the return to Jewish life, as manifested by new buildings and enlarged memberships.

What is actually happening is not a renaissance, however, but a surge of moral restlessness, a sense of longing and questing spirit. Our adult programs should be meaningful and relevant, furnishing some of the security people cry out for. They really want to know what a mature interpretation of the God Idea is, what meaning prayer has in a scientific age, what we believe about immortality. Our adult programs must interpret our tradition, and deal with the heart of the religious experience, its inner mesage and vital essence.

Secondly, the content of our adult education must emphasize the ethical aspect of our tradition. Judaism should speak out against the low moral tone of our society, the passive acceptance of and acquiescence to corruption in high places.

Why have we abnegated all social action to the secular organizations? Doesn't religion have the power to speak on peace and war, group relations, the United Nations? Isn't freedom of speech our concern, and have we nothing to say about the witch hunting that bedevils our world?

One of the great principles of Judaism, taught us by the Prophets, states that wherever there is falsehood, injustice, hypocrisy or insult, whatever be the source, it is the function of a human being who respects himself to stand erect and speak his mind to all the world. Our study programs should inculcate in us this prophetic spirit and make us react with righteous indignation and even wrath to moral lapse wherever it occurs.

Finally, our needs can be well served by studying the tradition not only for its theological and ethical content but for its psychological point of view. If we have learned anything in our "age of anxiety," in the fifty years since Freud, it is that we are not really rational creatures and that reason all too often camouflages the emotions. So many members of our congregations are living "quiet lives of desperation," outwardly tranquil but inwardly seething with conflict. There is a steadying power in the accumulated wisdom of our ancestors which we ought to try to convey. Our tradition should offer some aid in making lives whole, and bringing serenity of spirit. What does Judaism have to say about anxiety, depression, grief, the problem of self-acceptance? An adult program that overlooks this hunger of the human heart for security and inner peace is not exploring all facets of our heritage.

I do not wish to overstate the case. No intellectual approach alone, such as our adult education programs offer, can remake the human personality. But study of Judaism, based on the needs of the hour, geared to the inner cravings of our people, if it is really systematic, arranged for with care and pursued with zeal, is one of the synagogue's best methods.

Jewish leaders are not born, They have to be made. And adult study is a most useful building tool.

RABBI NOVECK

LIGHT SHABBAT CANDLES

Friday, Dec. 11, at 4:10 P.M. (E.S.T.)
Friday, Dec. 18, at 4:12 P.M. (E.S.T.)
Friday, Dec. 25, at 4:15 P.M. (E.S.T.)
Friday, Jan. 1, at 4:20 P.M. (E.S.T.)

YOUTH NEWS

The teen-agers of The Halutzim Society have been enjoying a very successful season.

On November 8, the group welcomed back their former leader, Rabbi Sanford Hahn, who gave an extremely interesting talk on "Jewish Life of a Teen-Ager in a Small Town."

In keeping with the vigorous round of events of the Halutzim Society, on November 22, the group was host to the youths of Temple Ansche Chesed. At this gathering, representatives from both Temples debated the very pertinent topic, "Resolved: That Israel's raid on Kibya is justifiable." Those debating the "pro" side were, Joe Tulchin, Margo Weiss, Suzanne Sheskin and Roger Waldman.

For a change of pace, the group very graciously accepted an invitation from Rabbi Zackerman of the famed Hillel Foundation, to meet him at City College for a special *Chanukah* program on December 6. This fun-filled afternoon consisted of a discussion on *Chanukah*, folk dancing and refreshments.

As is customary, the group will hold its annual *Chanukah* dance on Saturday evening, December 12. This year it will take place at Temple Ansche Chesed, and promises to be quite a gala affair, including delicious refreshments and a new band. All teen-agers are cordially invited to join in on the fun.

For further details, phone Roger Waldman at EN 2-4334.

Mazel Tov

TO Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jacobson on the Birth of a son, Andrew Mark and to his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold H. Levin.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Joseph I. Lubin on the Engagement of their daughter, Joan.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Gluckin on the Birth of a daughter, Dina.

TO Mr. and Mrs. George Osserman on the Birth of a son and to his grandparents, Dr. and Mrs. Harold Osserman.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Howard Katz on their 20th Wedding Anniversary, December 31.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Raticoff on the Birth of a son, Bruce David, and to his grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Jack Raticoff.

Girl Scouts Hold Installation

Girl Scout Troop 3-231, sponsored by the Parents Association of the Park Avenue Synagogue was formally installed on Tuesday evening, November 24 by Mrs. Joseph Rubenstein, Deputy Commissioner of Girl Scouting in this district.

The troop has been meeting since October in the vestry on Friday afternoons at 3:30 P.M. under the guidance of their scout leader, Miss Phyllis Brandwein.

Having fulfilled their Tenderfoot requirements, twelve of the girls took part in the investiture. These girls are: Margaret Buechler, Leslie Cornell, Jill Dorman, Inez Fields, Leslie Granowitz, Linda Grauer, Leslie Gurfein, Barbara Julich, Eleanor Kraskow, Marcia Leifschutz, Harriet Loria and Iris Rosenthal.

Three others, Gloria Krum, Rochelle Klass and Toni Hess, who joined the troop very recently will be ready for their investiture at a later date.

Guest speakers were Rabbi Noveck, Mr. Leichtling and Mrs. Israel, Girl Scout District Commissioner.

Parents Sponsor Holiday

The Parents Association took an active part in celebrating the Festival of *Chanukah* and in making the holiday inspirational and meaningful.

Parties, which featured dancing, games, and refreshments in keeping with the tradition of the Holiday, were held in the various classes of the Religious School. Mrs. Bernard Grauer, chairman, and Mrs. Emil Foster, co-chairman, were in charge of these festivities.

On Sunday evening, December 6, the Parents Association sponsored the annual *Chanukah* Party for the entire membership of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

The invocation by Rabbi Simon Noveck and the traditional ceremony of lighting the candles by Cantor Putterman were inspirational features of the celebration.

Entertainment and refreshments followed. A vote of thanks goes to Mrs. Hector Ritey, chairman of the affair.

Federation Needs Support

"New heart surgery offers hope for millions" . . . "New child research project probes dark mysteries of mental disturbances . . . "New maternity clinic helps women with cardiac conditions and diabetes to bear children safely . . ."

SCHOOL NEWS

The Synagogue Council of the Junior Congregation recently held its annual election of officers. The candidiates for office conducted a most vigorous campaign consisting of talks to the individual classes, the display of colorful posters and the distribution of leaflets and buttons to the students.

The Council officers for the year 1953-1954 will consist of: President, Paul Bienstock; Vice-President, Kenneth Rosen; Secretary, Jay Goldblatt; Treasurer, Carl Shullman. The officers will be assisted by a council of delegates elected from each of the Hebrew classes.

The Council will plan for the organization and the operation of the Junior Congregation, the allocation of Keren Ami funds at the end of the school year, arrange for a number of social affairs, and generally provide for the welfare of the students of the school.

Book Poster Contest

The Book Poster Contest, sponsored by the Parents Association at the Annual Book Fair for the students of the Religious School, resulted in many colorful and original posters. The task of the judges was most difficult, but after careful consideration of the merits of all entries. the judges made the following awards: Phyllis Brody, Richard Kram, Jeffrey Mehlman. Elisa Kaufman, Barbara Schacht, Stephen Eisenberg, Amy Granowitz, and Diana Reeve.

Winter Vacation

The Winter Vacation of the Religious School will begin on December 25, 1953. Students will return to school on Saturday, January 2.

Report Cards

Report Cards will be distributed to all students in the Hebrew Department of the Religious School during the month of December. Parents are urged to discuss with their children the report card marks and the teacher's personal comments evaluating the work of the student.

We have a right to be proud to be part of a Jewish community that *cares* so much and *does* so much to improve the well-being of everyone. Let us express this pride in a generous outpouring of support for the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies' 1953-1954 drive.

Please respond as generously as you can—and remember, *we are doing less than our best unless we do more than before.* Our own Federation chairman is Mrs. Harry J. Sokolow.

"Basic Problems in Personal Living", Fall Major Lecture Series, Completed

The latest lecture in the series "Basic Problems in Personal Living" of the Adult Education Program will be held on Monday evening, December 14 at 9 P.M. At that time Dr. Gregory Zilboorg, an eminent psychiatrist and Rabbi Edward E. Klein of the Stephen Wise Free Synagogue, will discuss the topic "Sexual Issues, Old and New—An Appraisal." Dr. Zilboorg is Professor of Psychiatry at the New York Medical College, Flower Fifth Avenue Hospital and the College of Medicine of the State University of New York. He is also author of many books and articles on psychiatry including "Mind, Medicine and Man" and "Sigmund Freud."

After a recess of two weeks "The Milton Steinberg Lectures in Jewish Theology" will commence on January 4. The first speaker in this series will be Dr. Judah I. Goldin, Dean of the Teachers Institute and Seminary College of Jewish Studies, who will talk on "The Earliest Study of the Bible."

After this recess Rabbi Waxman's class on "The Bible for Modern Jews," Cantor Putterman's Choral Group and the Hebrew Classes at 8 P.M. will continue.

Rabbi Speaks

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Rabbi Noveck will address the New York Metropolitan Region of the Rabbinical Assembly, consisting of 95 Conservative congregations in New York, December 14, on the topic "New Trends in Adult Jewish Education."

Rabbi Noveck has also been asked to serve on the Citizens' Advisory Committee which is being formed in the Yorkville section in connection with a community health research project. This project is being conducted by the Cornell Medical College-New York Hospital, under the direction of Dr. Thomas A. C. Rennie, and is being financed by the United States Public Health Service and several foundations. The study planned is to determine the everyday problems of individuals and families in the neighborhood in order to be able to plan for new services and public education programs.

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Mr. and Mrs. Discuss Comparative Religions

The Mr. and Mrs. Group held its November meeting on Tuesday evening, November 24, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Simet. The study and discussions centering around a Comparative Study of Religions was continued, with a comparison of the major differences among the Orthodox, Conservative and Reformed branches of Judaism, with Rabbi Morris Goldberg, of Congregation Shaare Zedek, as Moderator.

The next meeting of the group will be held on Tuesday evening, December 22, at 8:30 P.M. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Oppenheimer, 607 West End Avenue, New York City.

Rev. Monsigneur Charles M. Walsh, Director of Confraternity of Christian Doctrines will be guest speaker.

People travel far and wide in search of peace and contentment. It's so near—within your reach.

Why Not
Come to the Synagogue on the Sabbath?

"How to Face Grief" is Topic of Adult Classes

By ETHEL ALTSCHUL

The fourth in the Major Lecture Series dealing with Basic Problems in Personal Living was held in the Main Synagogue on Monday, November 23.

"How to Face Grief" was discussed by Dr. Marion E. Kenworthy from the psychiatric point of view and our own Rabbi Simon Noveck from the traditional theological point of view.

Dr. Kenworthy is Professor of Psychiatry at the New York School of Social Work, as well as Chairman of the Treatment Center, Psychoanalytic Society. She is also a member of the Board of Directors of the New York Psychoanalytic Society, the Board of Child Adoption Committee of the Free Synagogue and Menninger Foundation, the Citizens' Committee on Children, and the National Association for Mental Health.

Rabbi Noveck pointed out that the Jewish attitude towards grief was not a recent development, but had its roots in Biblical times. "Jewish tradition," he stated, "sets a pattern that permits the individual to express his grief and regulates his actions, thus helping to assuage his sorrow."

Dr. Kenworthy felt that religion played a great part in helping the individual master sorrow. She stated that grief is absorbed, and that religious faith aided in the acceptance of grief and sorrow. However, when this absorption and ultimate acceptance are not achieved, then there is great need for psychiatry.

Men's Club

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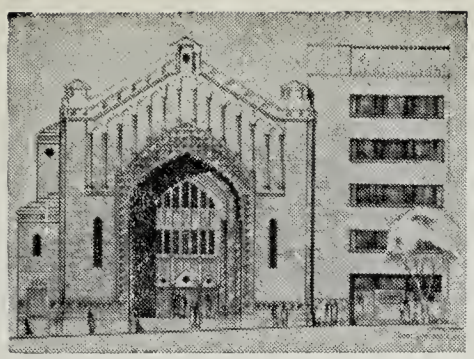
very funny show . . . go and see it right away."

The Men's Club is planning a Member Participation Program in the near future. Therefore, any member of the Club who has an amusing, interesting or unusual hobby which can be displayed and discussed is asked to contact President Milton Sivek at his office (Cl 5-6793) or home (EN 9-3060). It is hoped that many of the men will take this opportunity to share their special interests with the rest of the group.

Yiskor Elohim
ANNIE GREENSPAN
Mother of Albert Greenspan



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The Milton Steinberg Lectures in Jewish Theology

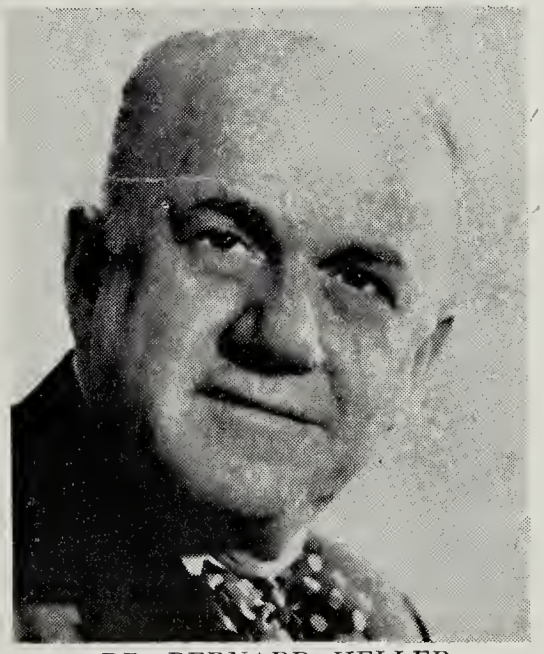
Major Lecture Series Commence January 4

DR. JUDAH GOLDIN
Monday, January 4, 1954
Topic: **"The Earliest Study of the Bible"**

Dr. Goldin serves as Dean and Associate Professor of Aggadah at The Teachers Institute and The Seminary College of Jewish Studies of the Jewish Seminary of America. He is the author of "*The Period of the Talmud*" and other works.

DR. TRUDE WEISS-ROSEMARIN
Monday, January 11, 1954
Topic: **"Jewish Law in the Era of the Jewish State—A Realistic Survivalist Approach"**

Dr. Weiss-Rosmarin is Editor of *The Jewish Spectator*, Lecturer in Jewish Literature at the New School for Social Research and author of "*Judaism and Christianity-The Differences*," "*Highlights of Jewish History*," "*New Light on the Bible*," "*Jewish Survival*" and others.



DR. BERNARD HELLER
Monday, January 18, 1954
Topic: **"The Jewish Experience of God"**

Dr. Heller is Visiting Professor of Jewish Ethics and the Philosophy of Religion at the New York School of the College-Institute. He is author of "*Harvest Weeds*," *Odyssey of a Faith* and "*Epistle to an Apostate*."

DR. THEODORE FRIEDMAN
Monday, January 25, 1954
Topic: **"Can We Live by Jewish Law —A Conservative Approach"**

Dr. Friedman is Chairman of the Committee on Jewish Law and Standards of the Rabbinical Assembly of America; the Editor of an anthology, "*What is Conservative Judaism?*" and a contributing editor of the Quarterly, "*Judaism*." For the past ten years he has been serving as spiritual leader of the Jewish Center of Jackson Heights.

The fourth annual series of lectures on theological problems. in memory of our late Rabbi Milton Steinberg will be held at the Synagogue in connection with the Adult Education Program on Monday evenings at 9:00 P.M. from January 4. through January 25.

At 8:00 P.M. on these evenings Rabbi Mordecai Waxman will continue his course on "The Bible for Moderns." On January 4. his topic will be "Must Men Suffer?". the Book of Job: on January 11. "Kinsey and the Song of Songs:" and on January 18, "The Naked Soul." the Book of Psalms.

The Choral Music Class led by Cantor Putterman and the Hebrew classes will also continue at 8:00 P.M.

Rabbi Cardozo Will be Pulpit Guest Jan. 15

Rabbi Jessurun Cardozo, of the Sephardic Jewish Center of the Bronx, will be the guest speaker Friday evening, January 15, at 8:30 P.M. Rabbi Cardozo's topic will be "Franco and the Jews."

Rabbi Cardozo was born in Amsterdam Holland. He received his rabbinical training at the Sephardic Seminary "Ez-Haim" in Amsterdam and at the Jews' College, London.

From 1929 to 1936. he was Minister in the Montefiore Synagogue, Ramsgate, England. From 1936 to 1943, he was assistant to Dr. David de Sola Pool, in Congregation Shearith Israel, New York. In 1942-1943, he acted as Spiritual Head of the Central Sephardic Jewish Community of America. From 1943 to 1949, he was the Minister of the Congregation Mikveh Israel, Philadelphia, Pa. Rabbi Cardozo became the Spiritual Leader of the Sephardic Jewish Center of The Bronx in 1950.

In September, Rabbi Cardozo accepted an invitation to officiate during the

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Board Committee Passes Policies; Reveals Trustee, Officer, Nominees

The Nominating Committee of the Board of Trustees with Benjamin Sack as Chairman, met on November 30. Other members of the Committee include George L. Armour, Ezra Cohen, Saul Godwin and Harry Halbren.

The Committee unanimously approved the following policies to be recommended to the Board:

1. That the number of Trustees be increased from 30 to 33.

2. That a member of the Sisterhood be nominated to the Board in addition to Sisterhood President, who is a member of the Board by virtue of a provision in the by-laws.

The following members were nominated for a one year term: William Heller, Saul Horowitz and Mrs. Sigmund Siegel.

For a two year term: Dr. Seymour Wimpfheimer.

For a three year term: Hon. Bernard Botein, Joseph Howard Katz, Melvin Krulewitch, Harold H. Levin, Arthur Ochs, Hon. Simon H. Rifkind, Nelson Ruttenberg, Freda Sack, Irving Sarnoff, Harry J. Sokolow, Archie Thurman and Milton Weill.

The new members added to the above Board of Trustees are: William Heller, formerly a trustee and at present, a member of the Advisory Council of the Board of Trustees; Saul Horowitz, formerly a member of the Board, Supervising contractor for the Milton Steinberg Memorial Building and a member of the Advisory Council of the Board of Trustees; Freda Sack, Second Vice-President of the Sisterhood; Irving Sarnoff, Chairman of the Synagogue Israel Bond Drive and a member of the Advisory Council of the Board of Trustees; and Dr. Seymour Wimpfheimer, a member of the Advisory Council of the Board of Trustees.

The following officers of the Synagogue were nominated: Jacob Friedman, Honorary President; Jacob Klein, President; I. M. Cohen, 1st Vice President; Archie Thurman, 2nd Vice President; Arthur Ochs, Treasurer; Dr. Harold Osserman, Associate Treasurer; Sanford H. Cohen, Chairman of the Board; and Joseph Howard Katz, Vice Chairman of the Board.

All the above nominations will be presented for election at the Annual Congregational Meeting to be held in January.

from the desk of the Rabbi

(With the commencing of the third series of "Milton Steinberg Lectures in Jewish Theology" on January 4, Rabbi Noveck has selected the following excerpts from our late Rabbi Milton Steinberg's writings expressing his views on Theology.

"Teach me Thy ways," mankind demands of a silently inscrutable universe. What is this panorama that unrolls itself before man's contemplation? Is it a monstrous horror ground out by some blind chance with no more significance than a "tale told by an idiot" or is it the outward manifestation of the Phenomenology of Spirit? And man—what is his place in the whole? Is it that some poor player fretting his brief hour out into silent futility or that of some necessary part of the whole without whom the universe in its totality cannot find completion?

These are the questions to which men demand responses from their churches and to which at all times religions have given answer. No religion is worth its salt that has no food for the intellectual hunger of men. That is why every great religion has been prolific in theologians and philosophers. Job, Philo, Augustine, Maimonides, and Aquinas—all offer testimony to the fact that it is an indispensable function of churches to furnish their communicants with a philosophy of the universe, that religions must satisfy man's demand for a knowledge of the meaning of things, that they must, either through a God idea or otherwise, give him a sense of cosmic significance.

The possibility and adequacy of cosmic schemes taught by the church, the extent to which such world pictures can be disinterestedly rational, these are just now irrelevant questions. The fact is that without a theology, a religion is a jelly. The fact is also that every great church has answered cosmic questions by a philosophy.

(A Believing Jew—Pg. 68-69)

"There is one plea", writes Will Herberg, "I would venture to make. It is an appeal for a renewal of Jewish theology". It cannot be that the ancient People of the Book possesses no religious, no theological, no prophetic Word for our time.

A need exists, a great and crying need, for just that analytical exposition of the Jewish religious outlook to which this exhortation summons us. Failing it, Judaism will be poorer and less nourishing than it should and can be . . . The quest after the truth . . . is an end in itself, a pursuit requiring no external justification for Israel to live in the fullest, richest consciousness of God and the good, for the individual Jew to be illumined by it, constitute purposes of which we may properly say what the rabbis said long ago concerning the study of Torah: for this you are created.

The following are, in my opinion, the pre-conditions for a Jewish theology equal, I think, to the circumstances of modern Jewish living or its inner necessities.

First: it must be open and receptive to all the winds of doctrine, no matter what the quarter from which they emanate . . . Second: no attempt at theologizing ought to be undertaken except on the basis of a full, intimate knowledge of Judaism . . . Third: possessing its own character, Judaism is no jelly fish of a faith, complacent towards any and all religious notions. No new insight or value, no fresh interpretation of an old one is, speaking generally, ac-

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Parents' Reveal Plans, Aims, for '54 Season

As 1954 hopefully comes to life, the Parents Association reflects upon its record of achievements during the current season.

The main purpose of the organization is to bring about a closer cooperation between the home and the Religious School, and to establish a helpful bond between the parents and the teachers.

During the *Chanukah* holidays, parties were held in the traditional manner in all the classrooms. These were highlighted by the annual *Chanukah* party held on Sunday evening, December 6, and sponsored by the Parents Association for the entire Synagogue membership. Despite the rainy weather, the affair was exceptionally well attended. A belated vote of appreciation to Mrs. A. Stangel, who was chairman of decorations, and the following youngsters who helped transform the Vestry into such a festive setting for this celebration: Ronald Gurfein, Geraldine Klein, Irene Klein, Joel Siegel, John Stangel, and Elliot Zucker.

The Executive Board of the Parents Association has voted unanimously to present each child who becomes *Bar Mitzvah* or *Bas Mitzvah* with a silver *Kiddush* cup, as a lasting momento of this important occasion.. This presentation will commence in the immediate future.

As delegates of the Parents Association Mrs. A. Stangel, Mrs. Stanley Simon, and Mrs. Joseph Pincus will attend the Jewish Educational Association Dinner on January 31, at the Commodore Hotel.

On January 29, the Friday evening service will be conducted by the Parents Association. Further details will appear in the next issue of BULLETIN.

Cocktail Party for Collegians Given by Fogelsons, Rabbi

Mr. and Mrs. David Fogelson and Rabbi Noveck were hosts at a Cocktail Party held for college students of the Synagogue at the Fogelson's home on Sunday afternoon, December 27. This was a new "first" for the college set, many of whom go to out-of-town schools and were home for the mid-winter vacation. Thanks go to Mr. and Mrs. Fogelson for making this such a successful event.

SCHOOL NEWS

School Re-Opens

Religious School classes will re-open on the following dates:

Primary Dep't.....Sunday, Jan. 3
Hebrew Dep't.....Monday, Jan. 4

School Theatre Party

The Jewish Theatre for Children, now in the eighth year of its existence, is presenting a dramatic legend of humanity's striving for peace and universal brotherhood entitled "To Wake the King." The Theatre for Children, a pioneer in its field, is the only theatre in the United States regularly producing plays for children in English or Hebrew based on themes drawn from Jewish history, literature and folk lore. The productions are on a high professional level, utilizing the talents of first-rate artists in the fields of playwriting, directing and acting.

On Sunday, February 7 at 2:30 P.M., the students of the Hebrew Department will attend the performance at the Joan of Arc Playhouse, 154 West 93rd Street. This performance will be attended by the students of the mid-Manhattan Religious Schools. All seats are reserved and uniformly priced at 50c for children and $1.00 for adults. Students will purchase their tickets in the Hebrew classes. Parents, who wish to attend this performance, may order tickets through their children or by calling the School office.

Perfect Attendance

The following students in the Primary Department have had perfect attendance at the completion of the first third of the school year:

CLASS 1: Jonathan Altman, Joan Fieber, Richard Huttner, Robert Krulewich, Hal Lehrman, Francis Levy, Mae Oppenheimer.

CLASS 2: Lois Finkel, Paul Forster, Paula Herman, Tedra Levine, Scott Miller, Donald Pomeranz, Joel Schore, Barbara Sherr.

CLASS 3A: Barry Cohen, Wendy Gluckman, Seth Denis Halpern, Yvonne Barbara Hill, Roger Kline, Sanford Perlman.

CLASS 3B: Rosanne Alberts, Irene Gross, Joseph Mishkin, Rita Sherr.

CLASS 4A: Stephen Dell, Pamela Foa, Leonard Gold, Freddie Lehrman, Gerald Stiebel.

CLASS 4B:Barbara Ditchik, Stephen Eisenberg, Merry Gerard, Richard Gerard, Carol Hoexter, Joan Hoexter, Edward Kreps, Jerold Polizer. George Pollack, Peggy Ann Semel.

Rabbi Cardozo

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RABBI JESSURUN CARDOZO

High Holy Days for the Jewish Community of Madrid, thereby becoming the first ordained rabbi to hold *Rosh Hashanah* and *Yom Kippur* services in Madrid in more than 450 years.

Rabbi Cardozo has been attacked for his statements on Religious freedom in Spain. He will reply to his critics and give a first hand account of Religious conditions in Spain. He will discuss the attitude of Franco towards Jews and the relationship of the Jews of Madrid with the State of Israel.

LIGHT SHABBAT CANDLES
Friday, Jan. 1, at 4:20 P.M. (E.S.T.)
Friday, Jan. 8, at 4:27 P.M. (E.S.T.)
Friday, Jan. 15, at 4:34 P.M. (E.S.T.)

from the desk

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ceptable among us, unless it be compatible with normative Judaism . . .

Beyond all else there must be no effort at claiming that what is a novelty in fact has all along been present in Judaism, or to "slant" interpretations of the Jewish tradition to give a show of reasonableness to such a claim.

(from an address before the Rabbinical Assembly of America on "The Theological Issues of the Hour"—June 1949)

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday Evening, January 1 ..... 6:00 P.M.
Early Services

Saturday Morning, January 2 ..... 9:45 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach

Friday Evening, January 8 ..... 8:30 P.M.
Rabbi Noveck will speak on:
"Maurice Samuel and His Philosophy of Zionism"
A Review of "Level Sunlight"

Saturday Morning, January 9 ..... 9:45 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach

Friday Evening, January 15 ..... 8:30 P.M.
Rabbi D. A. Jessurun Cardozo will discuss: "Franco and the Jews"

Saturday Morning, January 16 ..... 9:45 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of David Savitz

Member to be Honored At Brunch for Seminary

The Park Avenue Synagogue will hold a Brunch on January 24 at 10:30 A.M. in behalf of the Jewish Theological Seminary through a Committee of which Morris Joffe, a Trustee, is Chairman.

On this occasion the honored guest will be Saul Horowitz, member of the Advisory Council and former Trustee, and whose company, H.R.H. Construction Corporation, is supervising without fee the erection of the Milton Steinberg Memorial Building.

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Mazel Tov

TO Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Bernstein on their 40th Wedding Anniversary, December 7.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Paul Brenner on their 25th Wedding Anniversary, December 30.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Bernard K. Marcus on their 35th Wedding Anniversary, December 10.

TO Dr. and Mrs. Maxwell Gelfand on their 20th Wedding Anniversary, December 24.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Fred P. Greenberg on the Birth of a Grandson.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Greenstein on their 45th Wedding Anniversary, January 3.

TO Mr. and Mrs. David Rothchild on their 35th Wedding Anniversary, January 5.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Paul H. Klein on their 20th Wedding Anniversary, January 15.

TO Mr. and Mrs. David Hoexter on becoming Great Grandparents.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Irving H. Shapiro on the Birth of a Grandchild.

Yiskor Elohim

JULIA FAERBER

mother of Armin Faerber

Men's Club Prepares For Jan. Hobby Night

The Men's Club after three serious, stimulating and provocative meetings has scheduled a change of pace for the next get together. On Tuesday evening, January 19, at 8:30 P.M., the program will be more informal and sociable.

"A Man Needs A Hobby" is the theme for the evening. Dr. Sigmund Siegel will be the moderator and after speaking briefly will introduce various members of the Club and their unusual, interesting or amusing hobbies.

Tentatively, at this writing, the following men will participate:

Saul I. Ritter—a collector of miniature furniture.

Dr. Harry Neivert—a gadgeteer.

Jacob Boorstein—a culinary and chemical magician.

Monroe Heyward—a treasure hunter.

Dr. Samuel Stern—a numismatist specializing in ancient Israel.

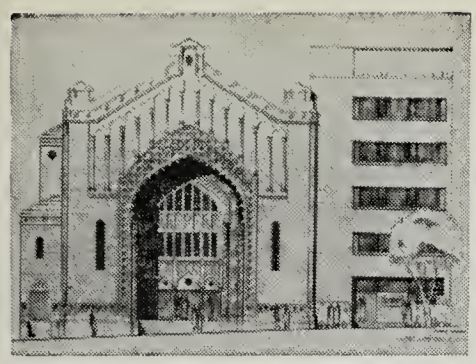
These hobbies will be on display before and after the meeting. If any other member of the Club has a hobby which would be interesting to the rest of the group and could be displayed, it is not too late to get in touch with President Milton Sivek at his office (CI 5-6793) or home (EN 9-3060).

Human Rights, Women; To be Sisterhood Topic

Sisterhood's next meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 19 at 12:30. The topic of "Human Rights and the Status of Women" will be discussed by an outstanding speaker. This is another lecture in the series on the United Nations and should be of particular interest to members, all of whom are urged to attend and bring their friends.

Since the Vestry Room cannot be used during the construction period, Sisterhood is pleased to announce that special arrangements have been made to hold this and subsequent open meetings at the YMHA on Lexington Avenue and 92nd Street.

In addition to Sisterhood's regular program, a documentary film for Federation will be shown. The film, entitled "That the Deaf May Speak," was taken at the Lexington School for the Deaf, one of Federation's agencies.



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Brunch for Seminary To Honor Saul Horowitz

The Park Avenue Synagogue Friends of The Jewish Theological Seminary of America will hold a testimonial brunch at 10:30 A.M., Sunday, January 24, at the Hotel Croydon in honor of Saul Horowitz, a devoted communal leader and member of the Board of Trustees of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

Dr. Simon Greenberg, a leading Jewish educator and Vice-Chancellor and Vice-President of the Faculties of the Seminary, will be the main speaker. Following his address, a distinguished and absorbing film about the Seminary, "And The Bush Was Not Consumed," will be shown.

Co-Chairmen of the event are Morris Joffe and Archie Thurman and, serving as honorary Co-Chairmen, are Benjamin Sack, Jacob Klein and Rabbi Simon Noveck.

Mr. Horowitz is generously contributing the services of the H.R.H. Construction Company, of which he is President,

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Parents' Association to Hold Services; Sidney Hook to be Guest Speaker

The Parents Association will conduct the Friday Evening Service at the Park Avenue Synagogue on Friday, January 29, at 8:30 P.M. Dr. Sidney Hook, distinguished teacher, educator, and philosopher, will be the guest speaker and will discuss: "What is an Educated Person?"

Born and educated in the City of New York, Dr. Hook received his doctorate in Philosophy from Columbia University after intensive study with John Dewey and F. J. E. Woodbridge. A University Fellow in Philosophy, Dr. Hook has twice been awarded a Guggenheim Fellowship for research in Philosophy in Germany and Russia. In 1945, he received the Nicholas Murray Butler Silver Medal upon his publication of "Hero in History," in which he distinguished himself in the field of philosophy and education.

DR. SIDNEY HOOK

As a teacher, Sidney Hook has had a singularly successful career. At present, he is Professor of Philosophy and Chairman of the Department at the Washington Square College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, New York University. One of the chief organizers of the Committee for Cultural Freedom, the Conference on Methods in Science and Philosophy, and the Conference on Scientific Spirit and Democratic Faith, Dr. Hook has always stood in the forefront of organized effort to preserve and extend the heritage of freedom in America.

Dr. Hook is the author of several publications. Among the best known are: "The Metaphysics of Pragmatism, from Hegel to Marx"; "Reason, Social Myths and Democracy"; "Education for Modern Man"; and "A Study in Limitation and Possibility".

In speaking of Sidney Hook's "Education for Modern Man", John Dewey, the eminent philosopher, said: "Those who desire serious understanding of present controversies, of present defects, equally with present promises of improvement, will find this book without par. We shall be fortunate if it becomes a guide-book for public understanding and public active effort."

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Annual Congregational Dinner Set for Croydon Hotel, January 31

The annual Congregational Dinner-Meeting of the Park Avenue Synagogue will be held on Sunday Evening, January 31, at 7:00 P.M. at the Crystal Ballroom of the Hotel Croydon, 12 East 86th Street, New York City.

In order for the entire congregation to meet together in the warm spirit of fellowship, the Board of Trustees will again, this year, defray part of the expenses of the dinner. A full course *Kosher* dinner will be served at the modest price of $3:50 per person.

A report of the year's congregational activities will follow and installation of officers and trustees will be a highlight of the evening's program.

Judging by the success of last year's dinner and capacity attendance, reservations should be made immediately.

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LIGHT SHABBAT CANDLES
Friday, Jan. 22, at 4:43 P.M. (E.S.T.)
Friday, Jan. 29, at 4:51 P.M. (E.S.T.)
Friday, Feb. 5, at 5:00 P.M. (E.S.T.)

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from the desk of the Principal

Religious School Shows Rapid Growth

The Religious School has sought, during these many years, to meet the educational needs of our children as felt by them, as recognized by their parents, and as envisioned by the pulpit and the faculty. The cooperative efforts of each has resulted in the phenomenal growth or our school. The parents, who have sought the best type of Jewish education for their children, have helped the school maintain its educational standards, select a fine faculty and develop a valuable curriculum.

This year our Religious School has the largest enrollment in many years. Our three-day-a-week Hebrew Department is the largest in our history:

Primary Department — 127
Hebrew Department — 131

The growth of our Hebrew Department may be attributed to the general acceptance by the congregation and the community that Jewish education requires more than mere attendance at a one-day-a-week Sunday School; the continued attendance of the post-Bar Mitzvah whose parents recognize that Jewish education does not end with that ceremony; and, the desire of parents to begin the Hebrew education of their children at an early age.

Lower Age for Hebrew Department

The School Board, recognizing the needs of the parents who seek a rich and Jewish education for their children, has decided to lower the age for entering students in the Hebrew Department. In September 1954, all children above the age of 9 will attend the Hebrew Department two afternoons during the week and on Saturday morning.

The opening of the school to children of nine will give the school a greater opportunity to work with the child in his more formative years when the demands of his secular school and his outside intrests have not become too burdensome. The child will have an opportunity to grow with the tradition and customs of Judaism. Educational studies, also, show that the most effective and natural language instruction is achieved when taught to the student in his earlier years.

It is the sincere hope of the School Board, the Pulpit and the Faculty that all efforts to widen our educational program will develop in our students a knowledge of a basic understanding of Judaism and, at the same time, inculcate in them an identification with and an appreciation of Judaism.

Mazel Tov

TO Mr. and Mrs. Howard Kieval on the Birth of a daughter, Ellen Janet, and to her Grandmother, Mrs. B. Klenert.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Cohen on the Birth of a son, and to his Grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Cohen.

TO Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Oseas on the Birth of a Grandson, David Abraham.

TO Judge and Mrs. Maxwell Shapiro on the engagement of their daughter Penny S., to Martin Zorne.

Seminary

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to the supervision of the construction of the Milton Steinberg Memorial Building.

All members of the Congregation and friends of Mr. Horowitz are urged to join in paying tribute to him on this occasion. Reservations may be made by contacting Morris Joffe, Park Avenue Synagogue, 50 East 87th Street, New York 28, N. Y.

My Day

(Not the same as Eleanor Roosevelt's column, but nevertheless My Day.)

At the suggestion of one of our Board members, I am writing this column so that some of our Board members, Advisory Council and the membership body may have some idea how their President spends some of his time.

This concerns only the week beginning December 21st, 1953—some weeks are not so heavy; others may be heavier.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 21st—At the office of the Park Avenue Synagogue from 9:00 to 9:30. Dictated letters of congratulations to two of our members on their wedding anniversaries and also arranged and notified various members who were to have *Aliyahs* including *Maftir* on Saturday, December 26.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22nd—At the office of the Park Avenue Synagogue from 9:00 to 9:45. Dictated letters to three other members on wedding anniversaries and four on *Yahrzeits.*

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 23rd—Notified by the office of the death of the wife of one of our members.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24th—At the office of the Park Avenue Synagogue 9:00 to 9:30 A.M. Attended funeral at Riverside Memorial Chapel at 11:30; personally conveyed to husband's family the condolences of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 25th—Attended services 8:30 to 10 P.M. Sent condolence letter to family of deceased member.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 26th—Attended services 9:45 A.M. to 12 Noon. Two members who celebrated wedding anniversaries were given *Aliyahs* and were blessed by Cantor and Rabbi. Called on June Rosenthal at the Hospital, 68th St. and 1st Ave. Called on Harry Altmark at Beth Israel Hospital.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 27th—10:30 to 11:30 A.M. at the Park Avenue Synagogue. From 3 to 7 P.M. attended Cocktail party given by Mr. and Mrs. David Fogelson to the College sons and daughters of members who were on their winter vacation.

This brings to an end one week's activities of your President.

JACOB KLEIN
President

Cong. Dinner

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The Chairman of this year's dinner is Joseph Howard Katz, Vice-Chairman of the Board of Trustees, and the members of his committee include: Jacob Klein, Louis Heller, Mrs. Benjamin Sack and Mrs. Sigmund Siegel.

The following candidates for officers and trustees of the Park Avenue Synagogue will be presented by the Nominating Committee for 1954:

OFFICERS

The following officers of the Synagogue were nominated: Jacob Friedman, Honorary President; Jacob Klein, President; I. M. Cohen, 1st Vice President; Archie Thurman, 2nd Vice President; Arthur Ochs, Treasurer; Dr. Harold Osserman, Associate Treasurer; Sanford H. Cohen, Chairman of the Board; and Joseph Howard Katz, Vice Chairman of the Board.

TRUSTEES

The following members were nominated for a one year term: William Heller, Saul Horowitz and Mrs. Sigmund Siegel.

For a two year term: Dr. Seymour Wimpfheimer.

For a three year term: Hon. Bernard Botein, Joseph Howard Katz, Melvin Krulewitch, Harold H. Levin, Arthur Ochs, Hon. Simon H. Rifkind, Nelson Ruttenberg, Freda Sack, Irving Sarnoff, Harry J. Sokolow, Archie Thurman and Milton Weill.

This year, for the first time in the history of the synagogue, a woman, other than the President of Sisterhood, has been nominated as a member of the Board of Trustees. Mrs. Benjamin Sack, Second Vice President of Sisterhood and a past president of that organization will be the first woman member elected by virtue of a new policy adopted by the Nominating Committee and approved by the Board of Trustees.

Kievals Associate With Camp

Howard and Judith Klenert Kieval have become associated with Camp Koda for Boys, at Bridgton, Maine. They and their families have long been affiliated with the Park Avenue Synagogue, and they have both played a very active role in synagogue life. Mr. Kieval was the first Club director of the Religious School and later was the organizer and first Editor of BULLETIN.

SCHOOL NEWS

Open School Week

The students of the Religious School will play host to their parents during the week beginning January 25.

Parents of the students in the Hebrew Department are invited to observe the classes and to discuss the work of the students with the teachers. On Saturday morning, January 30, parents are urged to join in worship with the members of the Junior Congregation.

The Primary Department classes will be visited on Sunday, January 31. In addition to observing the classes, parents will have an opportunity of enjoying a special program on "The Sabbath" presented by all the students as a culmination of their recent classroom work.

Annual Pedagogic Conference

The Annual Pedagogic Conference for teachers in congregational schools was recently held, at Ansche Chesed, under the auspices of the Principals' Council of the Board of Education of United Synagogue Schools.

Teachers, representing nearly 40 schools, had an opportunity to enjoy an interesting, rich and constructive conference devoted to "The Teaching of Jewish History." A major feature of the conference were the four workshops on various phases of the subject. Martin Leichtling, principal of the Religious School, conducted the workshop devoted to "Teaching History in the Upper Elementary Grades."

Ner Tamid Award

Teddy Pincus, patrol leader of Boy Scout Troop #600, was presented with a *Ner Tamid* Award by Rabbi Noveck at a recent Junior Congregation service. The *Ner Tamid* medal is awarded to the scout who has completed the requirements of work and study in Judaism and has successfully passed an examination given by the Rabbi. Other members of the troop hope to fulfill their requirements for this award before June, 1954.

Sr. League Hears Recording Of Adult Classes Lecturer

The Senior League open meeting on December 17, featured an experiment in the utilization of part of the regular Adult Education main lecture course. The first, and rather controversial, talk given by Dr. Iago Galdston on Psychiatry and Religion was played back on the tape recorder and was discussed by Rabbi Noveck in person. Dr. Galdston's talk had finally, in fact, to be read by the chairman, but this did not diminish the audience's response to it and Rabbi Noveck's remarks.

On December 20, a seasonal party for members was held, and January 14, another study group meeting took place at Miss Ethel Drachsler's home.

The open meeting on January 21, featured a panel discussion by League members on some aspects of Israel's role in the Near East and their effect on American Jewry's attitudes and responsibilities.

Sisterhood Will Hear "Israel, Jordan Story"

Sisterhood's highly successful Open Meeting on Tuesday, January 19 was held at the YWHA at Lexington Avenue and 92nd Street. The "Y" has been most cooperative in offering its facilities to Sisterhood for this and subsequent meetings. The guest speaker, Kanleshwar Das, Officer in the Division of Human Rights of the United Nations, gave an interesting and instructive lecture on "Human Rights."

At the next meeting, to be held on Tuesday, February 16, Sisterhood is privileged to present Reuven Dafni, Consul and Chief of the Bureau of Public Information of Israel, who will tell "The Unwritten Story of Israel and Jordan."

Mr. Dafni is one of the unsung heroes of Israel. When in his teens he left Poland and went to Israel. During the British mandate he served in the army; he was a parachutist and participated actively in underground work.

Mr. Dafni will give Sisterhood Israel's side of the Kibya incident. This subject has been given widespread publicity. This is the opportunity to hear the facts.

As is customery in February, Brotherhood month, the Men's Club will celebrate with a program entitled "New Techniques of Achieving Brotherhood." Prominent representatives speakers from the American Jewish Congress, Anti-Defamation League and the American Jewish Committee will hold a symposium on the subject.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday Evening, January 22 ..... 8:30 P.M.
Rabbi Noveck will discuss:
"Our Legacy from Louis Ginzberg and Alexander Marx"

Saturday Morning, January 23 ..... 9:45 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Daniel Penner

Sunday Morning, January 24 ..... 10:30 A.M.
ANNUAL SEMINARY BRUNCH
Hotel Croydon

Friday Evening, January 29 ..... 8:30 P.M.
PARENTS' ASSOCIATION SABBATH
Dr. Sidney Hook will discuss:
"What is an Educated Person?"

Saturday Morning, January 30 ..... 9:45 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Robert Karp

Sunday Evening, January 31 ..... 7:00 P.M.
ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL DINNER-MEETING
Crystal Ballroom, Hotel Croydon

Rabbi Noveck Speaks In Local Community

On Monday, January 11, Rabbi Noveck met with Dr. Louis Finkelstein, a committee of the Seminary faculty and several prominent psychiatrists, to set up a course on Mental Hygiene for the students and alumni of the Seminary. The recent course on "Basic Problems in Personal Living," sponsored by the Committee on Adult Education of our Synagogue has come to the attention of the Seminary, and a great deal of interest is being manifested in this adult educational program.

On Saturday evening, January 16, the Rabbi addressed a special meeting of the Executive Council of the United Synagogue of America, at the Park Inn Hotel, Rockaway Park, N. Y., on the theme "Implementing a Program for Synagogue Leadership in America."

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In Grateful Appreciation

To the Sisterhood and those who worked so hard to arrange the successful and enjoyable Luncheon-Theatre Party . . .

To the members of the Parents' Association for all their efforts in holding such a wonderful Chanukah Party for the entire Congregation at which everyone had such a good time . . .

To the Mens' Club for the very successful Theatre Party and the opportunity it afforded so many of us to see each other again.

Rabbi Simon Noveck

Three Courses Begin In Adult Education

At the final session of the Milton Steinberg Lectures in Jewis Theology on Monday, January 25, Dr Theodore Friedman, Chairman of the Committee on Jewish Law and Standards of the Rabbinical Assembly of America will discuss, "Can We Live By Jewish Law? —A Conservative Approach."

The following new courses will start, independently of the first semester, and registration is open to all.

"By-Paths in Jewish Literature"—Rabbi Mordecai Waxman, who will conduct this course, will take up some of the side-paths in Jewish literature in the belief that there are many things to be learned about Jewish life from this literary meandering. Extracts from the original sources will be made available to each student. These classes will start on January 25, at 8:00 P.M. At the first session "The First Detective Story"—Book of Susannah will be discussed and on February 1, the topic will be "The Globe Trotter"—The Travels of Benjamin of Tudela.

A reading on "Jewish and Christian Existentialism" will be given by Professor Albert Salomon of the Faculty of the New School for Social Research. This course will start on February 1, at 8:00 P.M. The first session will deal with Kafka's "The Castle", which illuminates the pattern of human forlorness in the hopeless search for God.

"Moral Dilemnas of Our Age" will be the subject of the Main Lecture Series, starting February 1, at 9:00 P.M. This is a series of six lectures devoted to the problem of right and wrong in our contemporary society. At each session ethical teachings of Judaism as one of the important areas of living will be presented and the applicability of these principles to our modern world will be discussed. "The Nature of Jewish Ethics" is the first topic in this series.

In addition, Cantor Putterman's Choral Group will continue, as well as the classes in Beginner's, Intermediate and Advanced Hebrew. New registrants for these classes are welcome.

Parents' Service

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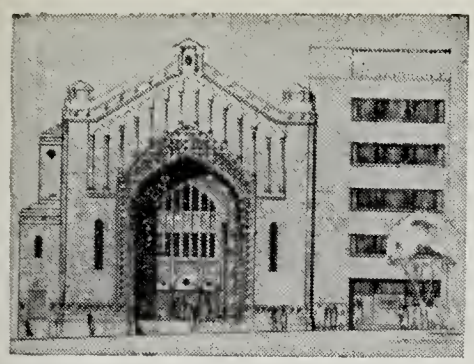
Several members of the Parents Association and some of the Bar Mitzvah boys will participate in the reading of the Hebrew and English prayers in the Service.



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Emanuel Celler Will be Guest Speaker Feb. 5

REP. EMANUEL CELLER

Congressman Emanuel Celler will be the guest speaker at Friday evening services on February 5, at 8:30 P.M. His topic will be "Israel's New Problems."

Representative Celler who spoke at the Park Avenue Synagogue in 1951 on "The Jew in Congress," has always been in the forefront of the battle against prejudice and bigotry. He successfully pushed through his own bill which greatly liberalized the treatment of displaced persons.

As a member of Congress for more than thirty years, and Chairman of the Judiciary Committee of that body, he is thoroughly conversant with pressing political issues.

In the fall of 1948 he visited Israel for the first time and has since returned in December 1951, and November 1953. He has just completed a trip to Rome, Israel, Pakistan, India and Egypt in connection with the refugee problem and Point IV. His discussion of Israel should be one that all members will find of interest.

Over 200 Members Attend Synagogue's Annual Dinner

Over 200 members attended the annual Congregational Dinner-Meeting of the Park Avenue Synagogue on Sunday evening, January 31, at the Crystal Ballroom of the Hotel Croydon.

After a full course Kosher dinner, in a warm congenial atmosphere, members partcipated in the interesting program and listened with enthusiasm to the speakers. Rabbi Noveck and Cantor Putterman contributed to a meaningful evening.

After an address, by the President, Jacob Klein (this appears on Page 2), Sanford H. Cohen, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, delivered the annual Congregational Report of the Year's activities (see Pages 3 thru 6).

Officers of the Synagogue and Trustee for the Board of Trustees were duly elected and installed. A motion to increase the number of trustees from 30 to 33 was unanimously voted upon by the congregation.

School Board Head to Discuss "Lincoln" at Feb. 12 Service

On Friday evening, February 12, a special program commemorating Lincoln's Birthday will be held. Victor Herwitz, a member of the Board of Trustees and Chairman of the School Board, will speak on "The Religion of Abraham Lincoln."

Mr. Herwitz, a lifelong student of Lincoln will discuss the religious ideas of Lincoln, his attitude towards Jews and his opinions on organized religion. He will also include in his talk, Lincoln's relationship to the Jews and the Jewish community of the Civil War period.

Adult Education Classes Introduce New Courses

Although the Adult Education classes have been meeting regularly since the fall, the subject matter is so presented that late comers may still attend the re-

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Friday Evening, February 5 ..... 8:30 P.M.
Congressman Emanuel Celler will discuss: "Israel's New Problems"

Saturday Morning, February 6 ..... 9:45 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Stephen Kohn

Friday Evening, February 12 ..... 8:30 P.M.
Victor Herwitz will discuss: "The Religion of Abraham Lincoln"

Saturday Morning, February 13 ..... 9:45 P.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach

Friday Evening, February 19 ..... 8:30 P.M.
United Synagogue Sabbath

Saturday Morning, February 20 ..... 9:45 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach

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letter to the editor

Dr. Bernard Heller, Professor of Jewish Ethics and the Philosophy of Religion, at the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, delivered the third in the series of Milton Steinberg Lectures in Jewish Theology on Monday evening, January 18, on "The Jewish Experience of God." Following this lecture, the letter which we are printing below was received.

Dear Mrs. Robinson:

I want to use the medium of your Bulletin to express my deep appreciation to the Park Avenue Synagogue and to Rabbi Noveck for the opportunity which your esteemed invitation afforded me to participate in the Milton Steinberg Lectures in Jewish Theology. It also afforded me the opportunity of seeing how an able and far visioned Rabbi in Israel is carrying out the noble tradition in Judaism—that learning is a life-long quest.

From Rabbi Noveck's addresses (an account of the substance I frequently get from friends who attend the Park Avenue Synagogue's services), from the reports of his educational work with children, young folks and adults, and from other varied activities in which I know he plays a fine role, I see in Rabbi Noveck a worthy successor to an eminent predecessor.

My most hearty congratulations to the Park Avenue Synagogue on Rabbi Noveck's outstanding achievements in face of difficulties which he has surmounted most creditably.

Sincerely yours,
DR. BERNARD HELLER

Message of the President

The only message I have for you this evening is the one embodied in a paper I read at the United Synagogue Convention at Miami Beach last November and is entitled "What the President of the Park Avenue Synagogue Does to Make for an Interested Membership."

Not being completely unprepared, I have been giving some thought to just what it is that the President of the PAS does. I could supply the answer by giving a long list of various duties performed, and I may give you some indication of that later on. On the other hand it doesn't seem that one can divorce the acts performed from the nature of the office, its meaning and relationship to the synagogue as a whole. I think probably the better question would be not what does the President do, but what is the Presidency meant to do.

And the Presidency of a synagogue is an honor and there is a reward. I think the Presidency is an honor by definition. Its origin is to honor God, who honors His children, who in turn honor Him through the synagogue.

When I was a young man we did honor to God almost exclusively through prayer. But times have changed. Today the synagogue, like the government, is a service agency. Much as many of us may regret it, prayer alone does not seem to be enough to keep us Jews together. Therefore, we have had to revise our ideas of the synagogue, and its place in the modern community. In doing that the Presidency of the synagogue has come to have, or should have, a meaning which I think transcends the purely religious and ritualistic aspects. Thru him the synagogue can have a place in the home and in that way, the home brought to some extent into the synagogue.

This is what I mean: I think we have to start off with the premise—which, of course, has always been true—that the synagogue can exist only so long as it attracts the younger generation. There are two ways that the younger generation can be appealed to. One is group activities along lines familiar to them. The other way, and I might say that this of course, applies to all of us, regardless of age, is to appeal to them as individuals. I think most of us have come to realize today at least, that a synagogue can no longer stand on the steel and bricks which are its physical foundations. Unless our parishioners are treated as say 700 individuals, (that is our membership roster) rather than as one lump, there can be little more than a Rosh Hashannah and Yom Kippur membership.

I think that if we see the synagogue through such a light, the role of the President becomes almost automatic. After all it is his function to carry through as a layman, the social purpose of the synagogue.

If he merely attends Shul on Saturday, goes to an occasional funeral and graces the monthly Men's Club smoker, then he is doing little to buttress the steel and the bricks. On the other hand, if as a fellow member of his Synagogue and community he takes a personal interest in the individual member, something on the order of an "extra curricular uncle," then the member becomes important. In that way, and I think only in that way can the synagogue survive as a modern social force. Mind you, I am not suggesting that the President take the place or usurp the duties of the Rabbi or Cantor. There is indeed room and need for an harmonious partnership.

If we are agreed as to the importance of the personal touch, I don't think we need generalize on how the touch is to be placed. That will depend upon the individual officer. In my case, I try to personally acknowledge, on behalf of the synagogue, as a lay body and not in a spiritual sense, all of the important events which take part in the life of the individual member. Wherever possible, I try to be personally present at such events. The extent to which the individual President can do this naturally depends upon his own interest and time. I can only tell you from my own experience that every act that I do in a personal way seems to have real meaning for the recipient. In turn the gratifica-

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Annual Report to Congregation

by

SANFORD H. COHEN
Chairman of Board of Trustees
January 31, 1954

Following precedent, it becomes my pleasant duty as Chairman of the Board of Trustees to submit to you, a report of the activities of the Synagogue in the past year, with a broad pattern of the accomplishments and achievements and general information on all factors of Synagogue life.

The Board of Trustees is your administrative manager and its various committees operate under its direction and report to it. These Committees have submitted comprehensive reports but, by custom and agreement, I will summarize these reports in order that too much time may not be consumed in the recitation of each report even though they are of great interest and more detailed than I can give.

These Committees have worked laboriously and faithfully on the task appointed, and to each member, and to the respective Committees, my thanks and the thanks of the Board of Trustees for their interest and co-operation. Perhaps greater justice would be done if the Committee Chairman was called upon to render a report, but having waived this privilege I shall, nevertheless, call upon each of them to rise.

The major accomplishment of the year was, without doubt, the actual commencement of the construction of the Milton Steinberg Memorial Building. It was evident that this Memorial had to begin with the raising of the funds from you, the Congregants of the Park Avenue Synagogue. The amount required looked staggering and perhaps was, but the Committee, organized as the Milton Steinberg Memorial Fund, with Isidore M. Cohen as Chairman, and Milton Weill, as Co-Chairman, worked diligently and received pledges of approximately $513,000., of which the sum of approximately $351,700. has been paid, leaving a balance of $163,000. unpaid.

These figures, however, still leave us short of our goal because the payment for the adjoining site and other commitments in connection with the drive require additional funds. We look especially to those who have not as yet contributed.

Special thanks is due to Mr. Isidore M. Cohen whose untiring efforts and personal appeals made the pledges possible. To obtain the balance required for the completion and the equipment of the building. I have appointed a special committee with Mr. Isidore M. Cohen as Chairman and with whom I hope you will cooperate. I ask Mr. Isidore M. Cohen to rise.

Consideration was given to and investigation made of some buildings in the area of the Synagogue to see whether they were available for use as the Milton Steinberg Memorial Building. It was always felt that a school building contiguous to the Synagogue was desirable and of great value. There was little hesitancy when the site to the west of the Synagogue was available, and after acquisition, plans were prepared and filed and ground broken on July 3, 1953. Subcontractors have submitted bids to the HRH Construction Corporation, of which our member and Trustee, Saul Horowitz, is President, and which has acted as supervisor without fee, and the walls are now beginning to rise.

This statement is an over-simplification of the trials and tribulations that beset the Building Committee. It had to contend with a 22 foot frontage where movability for operations was restricted and the old building had to be connected and tied in. Other complications necessitated increased cost in order that the full use might be obtained.

The Vestry Room of the Synagogue will be greatly enlarged, decorated and equipped with air-conditioning and a fine, new kitchen installed, all of which will result in additional income.

A new heating plant and a large automatic elevator are being installed for servicing both buildings. Entrances from the new building to the Synagogue have been provided on several floors.

The funds for a magnificent facade, with appropriate designs which will add to the beauty of the new building, have been contributed by Mr. William Heller, a member of the Board of Trustees.

There will be 10 classrooms for the School and other rooms for the use of the constituent organizations; a music room and office adjoining for the Cantor; an office for the Rabbi and a Chapel to accomodate approximately 100 persons.

That tells only part of the story. As a member of the Building Committee, and as Chairman of the Board, I want to attest to the unstinting effort and time given by Mr. Saul Godwin, Chairman of the Building Committee, in the management of this enterprise, and that is what it is because one can only realize the magnitude of the job when one has been connected with and observed it. It is with pleasure that I call upon Mr. Saul Godwin to rise.

Each year the Chairman of the Board, no matter whom he may be, always reports with a glow and pride the activities and cooperation received from the Sisterhood and its members. This year is no exception. The Sisterhood, as you know has a three part policy of service, namely, service to its members, to the Synagogue and to the community. Each of these has been fulfilled. It has had its usual meetings with a varied program of speakers, with a course in the United Nations and on vital topics of the world we live in. I shall not attempt to list all the functions in which it participates in and sponsors for and on behalf of the Synagogue, such as the *Purim* Party, the presentation of the Jewish Home Beautiful, the *Simchat Torah* reception and the Congregational Seder, which was organized by one of its members, Mrs. Harry J. Sokolow.

Having pledged an original $25,000. towards the Milton Steinberg Memorial Fund, which was paid last year, it made a second pledge of $25,000., on which $9,000. has already been paid, and another payment upon the balance will be presented as the result of a successful brunch and theatre party which took place on December 2nd, 1953 with Mrs. Sanford H. Cohen as chairman, Mrs. Harry J. Sokolow as Co-Chairman, Mrs. Saul Granett as Chairman of the Journal

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and Mrs. William Karmiol as Treasurer, which realized approximately $11,000. Due to that function and its other money-making activities we of the Synagogue know that the second pledge will be fulfilled. This total pledge of $50.000. by the Sisterhood should be a stimulant to all of us for the successful completion of the building. Sisterhood is a strong and active constituent. Its growth and development continued under the splendid leadership of Mrs. Sigmund Siegel, its President. Will Phyllis Siegel rise, and I give her the privilege of making any announcement that she may wish.

The principal beneficiary of the new building, as intended by the late Rabbi Milton Steinberg, will be the Religious School. In spite of the present handicap of location and construction of the new building, continued progress has been made. The Primary Department, which meets on Sunday has a total registration of 127 students in six classes. The three-day-a-week Hebrew Department, with 140 students registered in 5 grades of instruction, is the largest in the history of the School and is one of the largest congregational schools in this area. Of the newly admitted students to the School, 60% were children of members, and the parents of the others are prospective candidates for Congregation membership.

Consideration is being given to a lowering of the age requirement for admission to the Hebrew Department to those over the age of 9 instead of 10. It has been discussed by the School Board and is being further considered by the latter and by the Board of Trustees.

There are many factors to be considered on both sides of the question and no decision will be made until the needs of the children are weighed.

A new feature has been the introduction of a student-teacher program for post-confirmands. This has already been in successful operation, which not only serves the students but offers an opportunity to the confirmands to further their own education.

On the High Holy Days services have been provided on three different levels. College students of members of the Congregation were offered and received seats for worship in the Vestry and the young teen-agers and the students in the Religious School had a choice of two services at the Jewish Museum; the use of the latter being provided by the Jewish Theological Seminary. A regular service was provided for the young people who can read Hebrew and a special service for the younger children who cannot read Hebrew.

This review of the more comprehensive report submitted by the School Board cannot give a complete understanding of what the Synagogue has done and intends to do to improve and foster the religious education of the children. Much credit must be given to our principal, Mr. Martin Leichtling and our Rabbi Simon Noveck. The needs of the children are paramount and there is continued thought for improvement wherever possible.

Upon recommendation of the Parents Association the School Board has arranged for Dr. Milton Levine, eminent pediatrician and author, to give to the students of the Religious School between the ages of 12 and 14, a course on sex education which will present the best concepts of modern psychology and the fundamental beliefs of Judaism.

A Youth Program Committee is in the process of formation for the purposes of developing a program for the teen-ager.

Having thus summarized the work of the School Board, it is my pleasure to congratulate them on their accomplishments and to convey the thanks of the Board of Trustees to them and to the Chairman, Mr. Victor Herwitz, who has dedicated himself to this work. Will Mr. Victor Herwitz please rise.

The smooth workings of the various constituent organizations are exemplified by the interest and enthusiasm with which the Parents Association cooperates with the School Board, and its activities have become an important and integral part of Synagogue life.

As I just stated, its recommendation of a new concept in the school curriculum in helping the children meet the emotional problems of the day, particularly in regards to sex, recognizes that the Synagogue as well as the home has such a responsibilty. I am certain this program will meet with success under these auspices and especially under the guidance of the well-known pediatrician and author on mental hygiene, who has been engaged. But the Parents Association has been active in other fields and has contributed from the proceeds of its Cocktail Party the sum of $1,500. to the Milton Steinberg Memorial Fund, and sponsored the *Chanukah* Party of the Synagogue last month. Its work with the United Parents Association and the Jewish Education Committee has been fulfilled and it has developed a closer relationship between the home and the school and has made the holidays more meaningful for the children and has stimulated the parents' interest in Judaism. These are but a few of their activities. It is an important constituent organization and I know that it will continue to grow. Will Mrs. Lillian Helpern, Chairman of the Parents Association, please rise.

The House Committee, chairmaned by Mr. Mortimer D. Millheiser, has had a minimum program this year because of the building operations which precluded the making of any improvements, but it has under discussion possible physical improvements to the interior of the Synagogue after the completon of the new building. Will Mr. Mortimer D. Millheiser please rise.

Again I must refer to money with which the Synagogue must be maintained and its activities supported. We have had the good fortune of having, what is commonly known as "a watchdog of the Treasury." When a treasurer is so assiduous as to be in daily attendance at the Synagogue, checking receipts and disbursements, it is obvious that your Chairman of the Board is relieved of a great responsibility. Will Mr. Arthur Ochs please rise.

Mr. Ochs works with the capable Finance Committee to which is referred all matters regarding the budget appropriations. It reports steady growth and improvement in the fiscal affairs of the Synagogue. For the past fiscal year ordinary receipts amounted to $140,138. and ordinary expenses of $112,681., which resulted in an excess amounting to $27,457.00. These receipts were in excess of estimates and the disbursements were less than budgeted, which indicates careful planning. On the recommendation of the Finance Committee, and approved by the Board of Trustees, there was turned over to the Treasurer of the Milton Steinberg Memorial Fund

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the sum of $31,646., representing the net proceeds from the sale of the Westport house used as a summer residence by the late Rabbi Milton Steinberg and his family.

We are in the midst of the current fiscal year and it is expected that the financial position of the Synagogue will not be impaired. We, as a Congregation, must not, however, accept the above glowing report in a spirit that we can rest and not seek to improve our financial situation. We are going into a large maintenance program with the new building and while it is expected that income will be derived therefrom, I must be so bold as to ask all of the congregants to maintain their interest and especially their yearly contribution to the Synagogue. It has been said a Synagogue or other institution must show a deficit. I am sure that that is not necessary in the Park Avenue Synagogue. The Chairman of the Finance Committee and my predecessor as Chairman of the Board is Mr. Ben Sack, who will please rise.

It is the responsibility of the Membership Committee to pass upon the admission of new members and to recommend the annual contributing dues. The Synagogue now has an enrollment of 738, which is the largest membership ever had, and has 21 new applications for membership. It is of interest that in a new enlarged air-conditioned Vestry, seating will be increased by approximately 30%. Since elevator service wil be included, there is every probability that the Vestry will become as attractive for worship as the main Synagogue floor or the balcony. This increase of membership signifies interest in our services on the High Holy Days as planned and rendered by our Rabbi Simon Noveck and our Cantor David Putterman, with a reputation which has continued to grow over the past twenty years. This year Rabbi Noveck will have been with us for five years. The services of Cantor Putterman has paralleled that of Rabbi Milton Steinberg. We must not, however, let our enthusiasm over this increase in membership dull our activities.

The work of the Membership Committee and of the Pulpit will, of necessity, be increased. Ezra Cohen, the Chairman of the Membership Committee, has been a leader in this work and in Synagogue activities for many years. He knows the problems and I personally appreciate his and the activities of his Committee because of its importance and the sincere effort in its operations. Will Mr. Ezra Cohen please rise.

Every member of the Congregation knows of the work of the Bulletin Committe. The Bulletin is issued and should be received by you every two weeks. Its purpose is to inform you of the activities of the Synagogue and its constituent organizations and of the Pulpit. I do hope that you read these Bulletins as they are received and that you will give the Bulletin Committee the benefit of any ideas which you may have for improvement. The Bulletin Editor is Mrs. Eleanor Robinson. Her only reward for the monumental job of gathering the information and setting up the Bulletin can be the hope that you read it. The Bulletin Committee which sets the policy is chairmaned by Mr. Nelson Ruttenberg. I would like both Mrs. Robinson and Mr. Ruttenberg to rise.

The Law Committee plays an important part in our affairs for even a Synagogue has legal problems. It concerns itself with revisions and amendments to the By-Laws. I ask Mr. Harold H. Levin, Chairman of the Law Committee, to please rise.

Because of the interest and fine work of the women, the Nominating Committee and the Board of Trustees recommended, and will elect tonight for the first time, a woman in the person of Mrs. Freda Sack, a member of the Sisterhood, as a full member of the Board of Trustees and joins our Board with the President of Sisterhood.

The other constituents on which I am now reporting represent the younger active congregants who foster the interest of their age groups in Synagogue life and have maintained a large measure of success. During the past year the Board of Trustees has elected to the Advisory Council the Presidents of three of these constituent organizations who have served with vigor and intelligence.

The present Men's Club, of which our late Trustee and President, Dr. E. D. Friedman was one of the organizers, has served its membens and the Synagogue with credit and has established itself as an important member of the national program fostered by the United Synagogues of America with affiliated Synagogues. It maintains the interest of its members in its monthly meetings which are unusual in content, and often is a spearhead for some of the Synagogue activities. It sponsors a Men's Club Sabbath on a Friday evening each year, and last month a theatre party netted $5,500., which will go toward its pledge of $15,000. to the Milton Steinberg Memorial Fund. Its President this year is Mr. Milton Sivek, who has followed in the tradition of Joseph Howard Katz, his predecessor who is now Vice-Chairman of the Board, and I want to say a wise counsellor to me and the Committee on which he serves. Will Mr. Sivek please rise.

A group which has grown and maintains its status in the Synagogue in spite of losses by reason of the removal of some members to the suburbs, is the suburbs, is the Young Married Group consisting of approximately 30 couples. Their program has stimulated the interest of their members in Jewish life and in secular problems with astonishing success. Many speakers were invited to address them, such as Meyer Levin, author and newspaper man, Rabbi Harold Weisberg of the Reconstructionist Foundation, Rabbi Morris Kertzer, formerly Rabbi of this Synagogue and now with the American Jewish Committee, Robert Sherwin and Rabbi Simon Noveck who spoke on the subject "The Role of Ritual — Past, Present and Future" with special reference to the problems facing the members of the group. Their future program will be of similar interest and their President, Asa D. Sokolow has also been named a member of the Advisory Council. Will Mr. Asa D. Sokolow please rise.

A similar organization with a different program is the Mr. and Mrs. Group which holds meetings at the home of a member and invites speakers to discuss comparative religion, which has resulted in informative and provocative discussions. The Chairman of this Group is Mr. LeRoy A. Weisburger. Will Mr. Weisburger please rise.

Last year was the 13th year of the Senior League, which had been known as the Junior League and as it was approaching that "Bar Mitzvah" year changed to ts present name. It has a strong cultural, philanthropic and social

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program. Included in this program is discussion on religion and psychiatry and a study on the "Book of Job." Its future plan includes a discussion of the late Rabbi Milton Steinberg's book "Basic Judaism."

The League made a second pledge of $5,000. to the Milton Steinberg Memorial Fund and has made contributions to the Jewish Theological Seminary Benjamin Sack Fellowship and to the United Jewish Appeal and to Federation. It has a stimulating social program and is affiliated with the Young People's League of the United Synagogue of America, having sent eight delegates to the National Convention in Chicago last year. Since they have grown into a Senior League they recommend, to which I add my endorsement, the formation of a Junior League for the late teen and early twenty age group to function on that social level. The President of the Senior League, now also a member of the Advisory Council, is Mr. Robert A. Barzilay, whom I will ask to please rise.

This year the program of the Adult Education Committee has had its greatest success, outlined, prepared and fostered by our Rabbi Simon Noveck. The attendance has established a new record for the Park Avenue Synagogue and, perhaps, for other Synagogues in the country. It has always had the principle that attendance at the lectures and discussions should not be limited to members. The time came, however, when it was felt that the program which had a budget of $3650. should in a small way be paid for by non-members. This year the experiment was begun with a charge of $2.00 for registration for the series of lectures for non-members, without loss in attendance. This resulted in an income of $433.50. The activities of the Committee have continued to reflect the increased interest in Jewish education among the members of the Synagogue and the community. It included the third annual series of The Milton Steinberg Memorial Lectures in Jewish Theology; lectures on the Contemporary American Jewish Community by Rabbi Noveck; lectures on Reconstructionism; six lectures by Professor Albert Salomon, one of our members and a member of the Adult Education Committee and of the Faculty of the New School for Social Research; and a major lecture series on "Basic Problems in Personal Living" which were held on seven Monday evenings this past Fall, wherein the discussion was on the emotional problems confronted in this age of anxiety from the medical and religious viewpoints. This series had an attendance of from 200 to 525 persons and the discussion was followed by a question and answer period which was both provocative and informative. The details of the work of this Committee are stimulating and outstanding.

Last year there was the Eleventh Annual Service of New Liturgical Music by Contemporary Composers and the performance of the world premiere of a "Sacred Service for the Sabbath Eve" by the renowned American composer, Isadore Freed. This was organized and presented under the auspices of our Cantor David Putterman who also presented courses in Cantillation and Choral Music and courses in Elementary Hebrew for adults. On the occasion of the New Liturgical Music Service recognition was given to the twentieth year of service to the Park Avenue Synagogue by Cantor David Putterman.

As previously stated, the Adult Education Program, begun by the late Rabbi Milton Steinberg, has been further developed and expanded by our Rabbi Noveck, who is also Director of Adult Jewish Studies of the United Synagogue of America and has a national reputation on the subject.

To him, Cantor Putterman, the members of the Committee, the Vice-Chairman Mr. Howard A. Kieval and to the Chairman of the Adult Education Committee, Mr. Harold R. Starkman, the appreciation of the Synagogue must go. I ask Mr. Harold R. Starkman, Chairman of the Adult Education Committee, to please rise.

After a recitation of the above activities there should be no impression, that there is any neglect of our religious services which still continue on a high plane. It is axiomatic that without Sabbath and holiday observances and services a Synagogue will disintegrate, dissolve and pass out of existence. Such services are the primary purpose of the Synagogue. Each of the holidays are fittingly observed and celebrated by both adults and the children.

The Ritual Committee concerns itself, as its name implies, with the religious services and any improvements which it deems advisable. Last year it made important recommendations, some of which were suggested by the Pulpit and some on its own initiative, which lent an improvement in the general atmosphere and conduct of the services, resulting in greater enjoyment and appreciation of the services. The Chairman of the Ritual Committee is Mr. Archie Thurman, whom I ask to please rise.

Assisting at services were members of the Ushers Committee, of which Dr. Marvin G. Robinson is Chairman. I will ask Dr. Robinson to please rise.

We seek encouragement for our spiritual leaders in asking for attendance at these services. Our services are attractive and tend to give spiritual satisfaction to the modern Jew.

There were 36 Bar Mitzvahs in the Synagogue the past year and the customary presentation of the Bible to prospective brides.

Special mention must be given to our President, Jacob Klein, for his devotion and service to the Synagogue and the Congregation.

With the awareness of all of the above I beseech your support in the programs which I have outlined.

The coming year will be a challenging one for all of us. The new building will give us additional problems necessitating cooperation from you, the Congregants, the Board of Trustees, the Officers, the Pulpit and each of the constituent organizations.

Our Secretary, Mr. Emanuel Rosenthal, long devoted to the Synagogue, and the staff are available to you at all times.

I close with appreciation for the assistance I have received during the past year and with great hope for the future of the Synagogue.

SANFORD H. COHEN

Chairman of the Board of Trustees

Annual Seminary Brunch Given by Synagogue

The Park Avenue Friends of The Jewish Theological Seminary of America held its annual Seminary Breakfast on Sunday morning, January 24, at the Hotel Croydon. Morris Joffe, Chairman of the Seminary committee, presided.

On this occasion, Saul Horowitz, member of the Advisory Council of the Park Avenue Synagogue was honored for his distinguished record of service to his community and congregation. Mr. Horowitz is supervising the contracting of the Milton Steinberg Memorial Building. Sanford H. Cohen, Chairman of the Board, of the Synagogue, presented a scroll to the guest of honor.

The program for the breakfast featured a talk by Dr. Simon Greenberg, Vice-Chancellor of the Seminary, who was introduced by Rabbi Simon Noveck. Dr. Greenberg took his topic, "Standing Where Our Fathers Stood," directly from the latest Seminary film, "And The Bush Was Not Consumed," which had just been shown to the audience. Joel W. Schenker, the Semnary's national campaign chairman and a member of its board of overseers, also spoke on "A Layman's View of the Seminary."

Active on the Seminary Committee were: Archie Thurman, Co-Chairman Ezra Cohen, Mrs. Lillian Helpern, Jacob Klein, Rabbi Simon Noveck, Israel Oseas, Benjamin Sack, Mrs. Sigmund Siegel, and Sidney Silberman.

The Park Avenue Synagogue Friends of The Seminary helps to maintain the program of this institution which prepares students for the rabbinate, the cantorate, and the field of Jewish education.

President's Message

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tion for me is boundless. Therein lies the honor. To the extent that we of the synagogue executive, working with the Rabbi and Cantor can honor the individual member, we honor ourselves and our God. It is what I try to do. It is I think, what the President of a synagogue is meant to do.

SCHOOL NEWS

Sex Education

The School Board and the Parents Association have long recognized the need for the education of the pre-adolescent in the knowledge and understanding of wholesome relationship between men and women. The education of the pre-adolescent will prepare the child to more readily meet the physical and emotional changes of adolescence. Parents, books, pamphlets and the assistance of the experienced physician all play a significant role in the family life education of the youngster.

Dr. Milton I. Levine, assistant professor of pediatrics at Cornell University-New York Hospital Medical Center and eminent author and lecturer in the field of sex education, has arranged to give a series of talks to the boys and girls, ages 12 to 14, beginning on February 10 and continuing through March 10. The first two lectures will be open to the youngsters and their parents.

Students enrolled in the Religious School, will be invited to attend the talks. Cangregants, whose children between the ages of 12 and 14 are not in the school, may call the school office to arrange for invitations to the course.

Honor Roll

The faculty of the Hebrew Department of the Religious School is proud to announce that the following students have been placed on the Honor Roll for attendance, effort, attitude and general excellence in Hebrew studies:

CLASS 1A: Peter Betcher, Leslie Cornell, Tomi Deutsch, Jeffrey Mehlman, Daniel Ritey, Eric Shullman, Renee Stern.

CLASS 1B: Jonathan Charnas, Richard Danzig, Charles Meyers, Jonathan Ostriker, Richard Weisberg, Pamela Weprin.

CLASS 2A: Charles Kaiser .

CLASS 2B: Joel Grantz, Randall Weingarten.

CLASS 3A: Jon Waldman, Leon Weisberg.

CLASS 3B: David Reichman, Joseph Weintraub, Elliot Zucker.

CLASS 4: Allan Mehlman.

CLASS 5: Cecily Falkenstein, Marilyn Schneider, John Roth.

Adult Classes

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maining sessions and benefit from them. The Second Semester of the 1953-54 season has just started and the following that late-comers may still attend the recourses are being held at the Synagogue each Monday night:

9:00 P.M.

Moral Dilemmas of Our Age

"The Jewish Attitude Towards Government and Politics" will be the theme discussed by Rabbi Noveck and Rabbi Mordecai Waxman on February 8. In a unique experiment, the two rabbis will cooperate in presenting material from Jewish sources on ethics and politics.

"Judaism and Business" will be the subject of the third lecture in this series on February 15. Three speakers will participate in a symposium on this subject. Rabbi S. Gershon Levi of the Jamaica Jewish Center, will sum up the point of view of Jewish tradition on business practices, and two prominent business men will discuss the possibility of applying Jewish ethical principles to modern day business. Among the issues to be dealt with will be the Jewish attitude toward interest, the attitude of Judaism towards labor and strikes, and the Jewish concept of "the just price."

8:00 P.M.

There is a choice of classes which one can attend. Besides the Choral Group, conducted by Cantor David Putterman, and the three Hebrew classes, one may attend the following:

Jewish and Christian Existentialism

On February 8, Professor Albert Salomon, of the faculty of the New School for Social Research, will discuss "Kierkegaard's 'Fear and Trembling'," which is a turning point in the development of modern religious attitudes, and on February 15, he will discuss "Pascal's, 'Thoughts'" in relation to Catholic Existentialism.

By-Paths in Jewish Literature

Rabbi Waxman's course will continue with the discussion of "The Woman's Point of View"—Memoirs of Gluckel of Hameln, on February 8, and "The Confessions of a Skeptic"—The Autobiography of Solomon Maimon, on February 15.

Adult Educaton classes will not be held on Washington's Birthday, Monday Evening, February 22. Sessions will resume the following Monday.

Reuven Dafni to Speak At Sisterhood Feb. 16

Israel's side of the Kibya incident will be presented to Sisterhood by Reuven Dafni at the next meeting which will be held on Tuesday, February 16, at the Y.M.H.A., Lexington Avenue and 92nd Street, at 12:30 P.M.

Mr. Dafni is Consul and Chief of the Bureau of Public Information of Israel. He will present "The Unwritten Story of Israel and Jordan."

The guest speaker is one of the many unsung heroes of Israel. He left Poland and went to Israel as a young man. He served with distinction in the army during the time of the British mandate over Israel and participated actively in underground work.

Mr. Dafni's subject is one of great interest to all and his talk promises to be very stimulating. All members and friends are invited to attend.

Mazel Tov

TO Mr. and Mrs. Neil J. Ranells on the Birth of a daughter, Judith Deborah.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Murray Cohen on the Marriage of their daughter.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Eugene A. Holt on the Birth of their son, Steven Mark and to his Grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Mortimer D. Millheiser.

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Men's Club Celebrates Brotherhood Month

The Men's Club, in commemoration of Brotherhood Month is presenting a symposium on the subject "New Techniques of Achieving Brotherhood." This will take place at the next meeting to be held on Tuesday, February 16, at 8:30 P.M.

This year the emphasis is on the methods of the Jewish group regarding interfaith and the club has invited a prominent representative of the American Jewish Congress, the Anti-Defamation League, and the American Jewish Committee, to participate in the symposium.

Nathan Perlmutter, of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, is a lawyer with broad experience in political and social areas on the national scene. He is a frequent contributor of articles to national political and social publications. Since affiliating with the Anti-Defamation League, he served as Civil Rights Director of its Mountain States Regional Office.

Mr. Perlmutter is now Assistant to the Director of the National Community Service Division of the A.D.I. His duty is to co-ordinate the activities of the League's 28 regional offices.

Louis S. Breier, of the American Jewish Committee, has long been a leader in the fight against bigotry and anti-Semitism throughout the naton. A member of the staff of the American Jewish Committee, he is a widely known writer, lecturer and organizer.

Philip Baum of the American Jewish Congress, is the staff counsel to the American Jewish Congress. Rabbi Noveck will act as moderator of the symposium.

All members are asked to reserve the following two dates as well: Friday, March 5—Men's Club Sabbath and Tuesday, March 16—Father and Son (Son-in-Law or Grandson) Sports Night. If this latter meeting is as entertaining as January's "Hobby Night" it will be a most enjoyable evening.

LIGHT SHABBAT CANDLES

Friday, Feb. 5, at 5:00 P.M. (E.S.T.)
Friday, Feb. 12, at 5:09 P.M. (E.S.T.)
Friday, Feb. 19, at 5:17 P.M. (E.S.T.)

Young Marrieds' Social To be Held at YMHA

The Young Marrieds will gather on Tuesday evening, Feb. 9 to socialize. The meeting will be held at the Y.M.H.A. at 92nd Street and Lexington Avenue and old time movies and games are planned. The social evening will give the group an opportunity to eschew and digest the last discussion on the Kinsey Report so aptly led by Robert Sherwin.

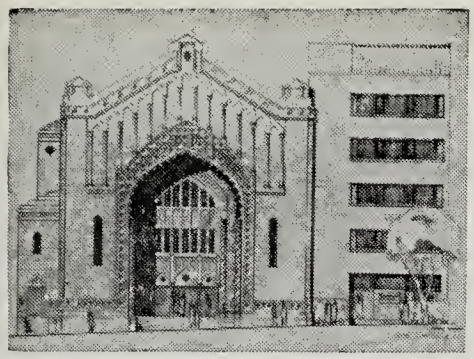
On March 9, the Young Marrieds will be addressed by Rabbi Morris N. Kertzer. He will lecture on "What is a Jew," elaborating on the different philosophies of Judaism, namely Orthodox, Conservative and Reform Judaism.

Rabbi Kertzer is no stranger to the group, as he was associate Rabbi of this temple until 1949. At the present time he is the Director of the Interreligious Activities Division of the American Jewish Committee. He also is Chairman of the Social Commission of the Synagogue Council of America and is President of the National Association of Jewish Chaplains. Rabbi Kertzer is a popular lecturer and has written two books, "With an H on my Dogtag" and "What is a Jew."

Rabbi to Edit Pamphlet Series On "Conservative Judaism"

During the past month Rabbi Noveck has undertaken to edit a series of pamphlets on "The Beliefs and Practices of Judaism—A Conservative Approach." He has invited several leaders of the Conservative movement, including Dr. Simon Greenberg, Dr. Jacob Kohn, Rabbi Mortimer Cohen, Rabbi Ira Eisenstein and others, each to write a pamphlet of five thousand words on a particular phase of Conservative Judaism. Thus far six pamphlets have been commissioned and several other writers have indicated their interest in this project.

Ten thousand copies of each pamphlet are to be published early this fall and distributed among the 425 Conservative congregations in America. Rabbi Noveck will edit and write an introduction for each of these pamphlets, which may eventually be published in book form.



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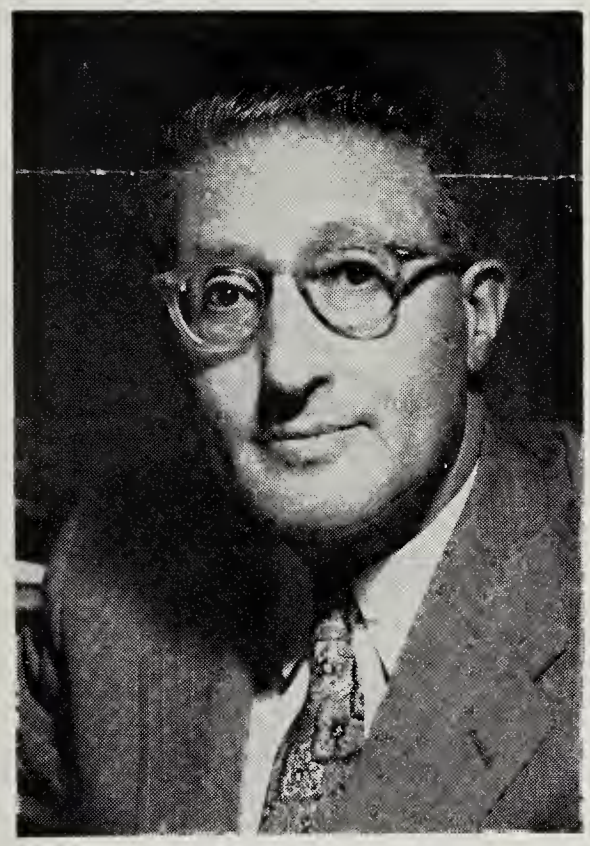
Judge Geller Will Speak At Men's Club Sabbath



HON. ABRAHAM GELLER

The Men's Club will sponsor the Friday evening services on March 5, at 8:30 P.M. All the participants including the principal speakers and readers from the pulpit are members of the Men's Club.

The topic for the evening will be "Problems of Probation, Parole and Youth Offenders". The talk will be delivered by Hon. Abraham N. Geller, Justice of the Court of General Sessions.

Judge Geller's talk will reflect his experiences during his first year as a judge. The Court of General Sessions is the oldest court on the North American continent, and at one time the mayor of the City of New York, at the time, was a member of this court.

Judge Geller is a member of the Board of Trustees of the Park Avenue Synagogue, and a founder and member of the Men's Club. He is a Vice-President of the United Jewish Appeal, and a member of the Board of the Bronx YM and YWHA. He is active on the Executive and Administrative Committees of the

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Dr. Johnson to Occupy Pulpit At Synagogue Service, Feb. 26

Dr. Kenneth D. Johnson, Dean of the New York School of Social Research, will be the guest speaker at Services, Friday evening, February 26, at 8:30 P.M. His topic for the evening will be "Harder to be Won than a Strong City."

Dr. Johnson, who was graduated from Brown University in 1921 and from Harvard Law School in 1924, entered the practice of law in Boston. In 1930 he was appointed judge of the District Court in Quincy, Mass., by the governor of Massachusetts and conducted about 4,000 Juvenile Court cases in addition to regular criminal and civil sessions, thus reinforcing his interest in juvenile delinquency. In 1938 he resigned from the bench to devote his full time to the practice of law.

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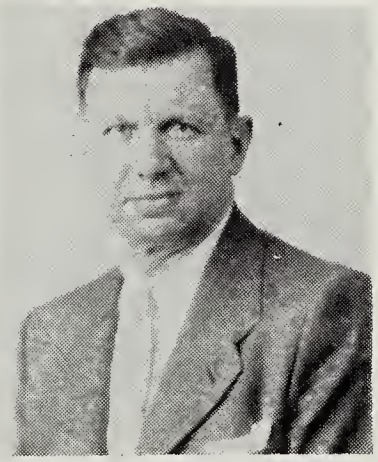
DR. KENNETH JOHNSON

Five Congregants To Be Participants In Two Adult Education Symposiums



SOLOMON GREEN

DR. M. HELPERN

DR. S. WIMPFHEIMER

The Committee on Adult Education, under the Chairmanship of Harold Starkman and with the guidance and direction of Rabbi Noveck have planned two unique symposiums to bring to a climax one of the most successful years of Adult Education in the history of the Synagogue.

On Monday evening, March 1, at 9 P.M. three members of the Synagogue will participate in a discussion of the subject, "Judaism and Medicine." Solomon Green, member of the Synagogue's Advisory Council and its Committee on Adult Education, will discuss the point

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from the desk of the Rabbi

The following article in the NEW YORK TIMES *Sunday, February 14, contains a summary of a sermon delivered by Rabbi Noveck in the Synagogue on February 13.*

Persons whose work fails to give them "a sense of achievement" were urged by Rabbi Simon Noveck to take part in community enterprises.

This would be a good way "to make the commemoration of Lincoln's Birthday a real part of American religion," the rabbi said in a sermon at the Park Avenue Synagogue. He is a director of the National Academy of Adult Jewish Studies and of adult education in conservative congregations.

"One of the great aspirations of every human being is to derive a sense of satisfaction and contentment in life," he said. Many seek it, he added, in "the religion in which we believe, the encouragement of friends who believe in us and the respect of our families."

But, he emphasized, speaking of the Jewish traditional concept of the dignity of labor, "no aspect of our tradition is more relevant to the times in which we live than this emphasis on the role of work."

Dissatisfaction Is Noted

"Most people," he said, "are dissatisfied with the work they do and therefore with their lives. Most of us work long hours and do not feel the zest and the exhilaration that comes from enjoying our work, whether in the upper reaches of society or in the ordinary walks of life.

"We may appear outwardly successful but not have the inner sense of divinity.

"Our work should give us a sense of achievement, a sense of pride. We ought to feel we are producing something and have pride in the quality of our output."

Describing the "sense of expressing one's self" as one of the most precious of experiences, the rabbi declared.

"People in the guild system of the Middle Ages had a feeling of special satisfaction. But in our machine age relatively few people can participate in creating anything."

The ideal solution, he went on, would be to "humanize industry and our technical system so as to allow more people to participate in making decisions in our social life."

"We should choose our daily work and influence our children to choose their daily work on the basis of anticipated future satisfaction," Rabbi Noveck counseled. Otherwise, he indicated, a balance must be sought by "seeking other types of work, in spare time."

Rabbi Noveck and the Synagogue's Seminary Committee respectfully urge all members of the congregation who have not yet done so to send in their pledges to the Seminary. Please send all contributions to Morris Joffe or Rabbi Noveck c/o the Synagogue.

Mazel Tov

TO Mr. and Mrs. Solomon Green on their 5th Wedding Anniversary, February 3.
TO Mr. and Mrs. Harold Frankel on their 25th Wedding Anniversary, February 4.
TO Mr. and Mrs. Irwin Rome on their 15th Wedding Anniversary, February 5.
TO Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Sack on their 35th Wedding Anniversary, February 23.
TO Mrs. Charles Weill on the Birth of a great Granddaughter, Deborah Ann Soffer.
TO Mr. and Mrs. Jacob J. Schwebel on the Birth of a Grandson, James J. Schwebel.
TO Mrs. Henry J. Steiner on the Birth of a Grandson, Robert David.
TO Dr. and Mrs. Morris Kaplan on the Birth of a Granddaughter, Susan Mary.
TO Julius Guggenheimer on his 86th Birthday, February 2.
TO Mr. and Mrs. Joseph I. Lubin on the Marriage of their daughter, Barabara.

letter to the Rabbi

Dear Rabbi Noveck

I can not begin to tell you how much I was moved by your wonderful speech at my bar-mitzvah. I am sure I will remember it all my life. My parents and I are agreed that the funds which I did not spend on a large party should be distributed in a worthy fashion. I am therefore sending you the enclosed to be used for such purposes of the Temple as you may deem best.

Sincerely
Daniel B. Penner

We acknowledge with thanks gifts to our Library from:

Mrs. Leonard Arkin—a complete set of 10 Volumes of the Soncina Edition of The Midrash, in gratitude for the recovery of her son-in-law, Arthur M. Lipkint, Jr.

The Yorkville District of the Zionist Organization of America—for a gift of $500.00 towards the establishment of a Zionist library in the new building.

Post Columnist Will Address Meeting of Yorkville Zionists

The Anniversary Meeting of the Yorkville Zionist District will be held at the Park Avenue Synagogue on Tuesday evening, March 2, at 8:30 P.M. The guest speaker that evening will be Dr. Frank Kingdon noted columnist of the New York Post, who will give a candid picture of Israel and the American scene. There will also be a musical program and a question and answer period following Dr. Kingdon's address. Members of the Park Avenue Synagogue are cordially invited.

LIGHT SHABBAT CANDLES

Friday, Feb. 26, at 5:25 P.M. (E.S.T.)
Friday, Mar. 5, at 5:33 P.M. (E.S.T.)
Friday, Mar. 12, at 5:41 P.M. (E.S.T.)

In gratitude for a safe recovery from an accident, David Hoexter has donated to the Park Avenue Synagogue the balance of his 20 year Certificate of Indebtedness.

ISRAEL B. OSEAS

GEORGE HOROWITZ

Adult Lecture

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of view of the Bible, Talmud and Jewish tradition towards medical practice. Based on original research, Mr. Green will deal with such issues as the Jewish point of view on autopsy, euthanasia (mercy killing) and abortion.

Dr. Seymour Wimpfheimer, recently elected member of the Board of Trustees and well-known Obstetrician and Gynecologist, and Dr. Milton Helpern, Deputy Medical Examiner of the City of New York and eminent pathologist and authority on forensic medicine will draw upon their vast medical experiences and discuss the ethical basis of medical practice. Covering such questions as termination of pregnancy, abortion, etc., they will deal with these and other ethical dilemmas which confront the modern medical practitioner. And they will indicate whether, in their opinion, modern medical practice could be based on Jewish ethical principles.

On March 8, George Horowitz, of the well-known Horowitz-Margareten family, a practicing attorney and author of a recently published, comprehensive work on "The Spirit of Jewish Law", will sum up the point of view of the Bible, Talmud and Jewish codes of jurisprudence. Israel Oseas, member of the Board of Trustees of the Park Avenue Synagogue, Vice-President of the United Synagogue of America, and also a practicing attorney, will present his point of view on the whole area of legal ethics.

At 8 P.M. there is still a choice of interesting classes which may be attended, which includes Professor Albert J. Salomon's course on "Jewish and Christian Existentialism", Rabbi Waxman's course on "By-Paths in Jewish Literature", Cantor Putterman's Choral Group and Hebrew classes.

The Congregation is requested to reserve Sunday evening, March 28, 1954 for a most unusual concert dedicated to the Cantors Institute of the Seminary.

Complimentary tickets will soon be sent to all of our members.

Men's Service

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American Jewish Committee. Since January 1, Judge Geller has been sitting on the bench of the Supreme Court of the State of New York.

Participants in the Services will be: Dr. Joseph Druss, David Lieberman, Dr. Harry Neivert, Dr. Sigmund Siegel, Milton M. Sivek, and Sol Waldman. Co-Chairmen for the evening are Julian Jacobs and Dr. Harry Neivert.

Johnson Speaks

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During this time, he was actively associated with many leading social agencies, including the National Probation Association, as regional director; the Mass. Conference of Social Work, as president; the John Howard Society, as trustee and the Habit Clinic for Child Guidance as president.

Discussing his appointment as dean, Dr. Johnson declared that "if freedom and security are to prosper in our society, the maladjustments which our technical age has helped create must be treated promptly, sympathetically and capably if they are not to overwhelm us."

SCHOOL NEWS

Hebrew Department Party

The Synagogue Council of the Junior Congregation will hold a dance for the students of the Hebrew Department in the Vestry on Sunday afternoon, February 28. Peter Bienstock, president of the council, has announced that arrangements have been made for the serving of refreshments and for the calling of the square dances by a professional caller.

Visit to Spanish-Portuguese

During the month of February, the three upper classes in the Hebrew Department attended Saturday morning services at the Spanish-Portuguese Synagogue. The students were impressed with the dignity and the beauty of the service and, at the same time, observed the many differences between that service and the service at the Park Avenue Synagogue. Rabbi de Sola Poole welcomed the students at the kiddush that followed the service and complimented them on their ability to participate in the *sepharadit* service.

Boy Scout Sabbath

Troop #600 of the Boy Scouts of America, affiliated with the Religious School, culminated its observance of Boy Scout Week by conducting the services at the Junior Congregation. Maurice Malin, scoutmaster, and Teddy Pincus, patrol leader were assisted by some of the following scouts: Ronald Gurfein, John Wolf, Harry Pincus, David Savitz, Jay Goldblatt, Joseph Weintraub and Stephen Stowe.

Rabbi Noveck to Lecture At Colorado University

Rabbi Simon Noveck has been invited by the University of Colorado and the Hillel Foundation in Boulder to serve as guest lecturer on Judaism and the Jewish Religion during "Religion and Life Week," February 22 through 25.

The Rabbi will lecture to the Anthropology class on "Religion and Social Structure in the Jewish Community," deliver two radio talks on "Religion and Community Life" and participate in University Seminars on "Bible," "God, Heaven and Hell," "Church and Communism" and "Interfaith Marriage."

In addition he will meet with the Jewish members of the faculty of the University and address the Board of the local B'nai B'rith.

Parents Plan Parties, Workshops, for Purim

On January 29, the Parents Association conducted the Friday Evening Service at the Park Avenue Synagogue. Dr. Sidney Hook, noted author, lecturer, and Professor of Philosophy at New York University, delivered a very interesting and enlightening lecture on "What is an Educated Person?"

Mrs. Aaron Schoenbaum, Mrs. Stanley Simon, George Heyman, and Bernard Weintraub participated in the reading of the English and Hebrew prayers. Several Bar Mitzvah boys served as ushers. Following the service, a large number of congregants participated in a stimulating question and answer period.

Again this year, plans are under way for a Purim Workshop under the chairmanship of Mrs. Stanley Simon and her co-workers, Mrs. J. Pincus and Mrs. A. Stangel. On Sunday morning, March 7, and on Monday and Tuesday afternoons, March 8 and 9 from 3:30 to 5:30, there will be an exhibit in the Vestry of various objects pertaining to Purim. These will include the Torah scroll, felt character masks, and other traditional felt fancies symbolic of the Purim festival. Instructions for making these, as well as pamphlets on the home observance of Purim, will be available to parents and youngsters.

The annual Purim parties will again take place in the class rooms of the Religious School and in the various homes. Mrs. Bernard Grauer and the class mothers will have charge of the arrangements for these festivities.

In conjunction with the School Board, the Parents Association has arranged for a series of lectures on Sex Education for boys and girls from 12-14 years of age.

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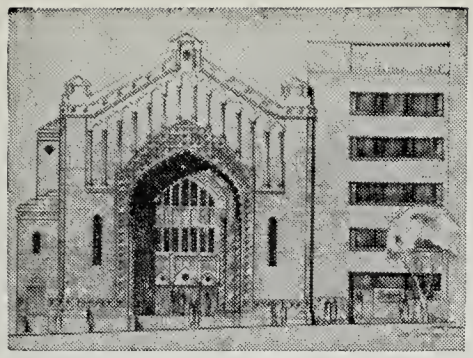

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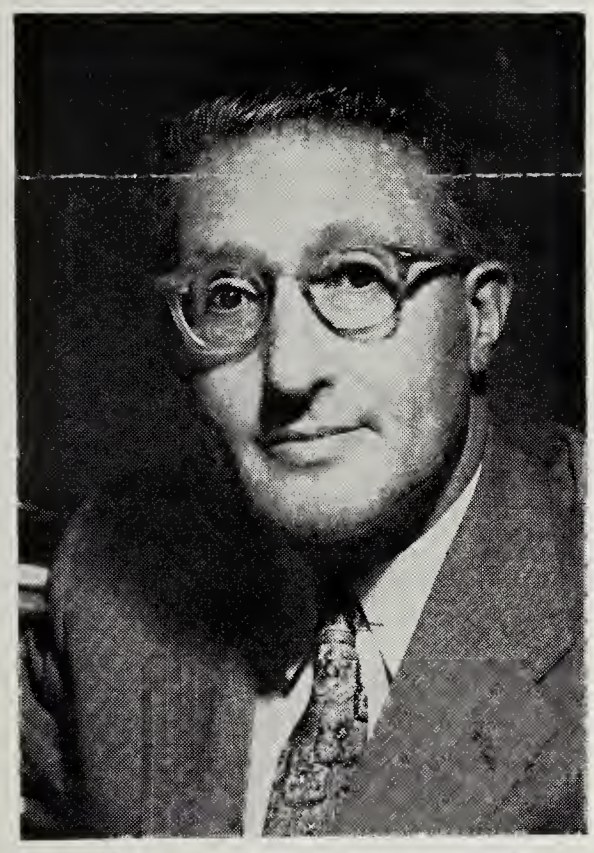

HON. ABRAHAM GELLER

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The topic for the evening will be "Problems of Probation, Parole and Youth Offenders". The talk will be delivered by Hon. Abraham N. Geller, Justice of the Court of General Sessions.

Judge Geller's talk will reflect his experiences during his first year as a judge. The Court of General Sessions is the oldest court on the North American continent, and at one time the mayor of the City of New York, at the time, was a member of this court.

Judge Geller is a member of the Board of Trustees of the Park Avenue Synagogue, and a founder and member of the Men's Club. He is a Vice-President of the United Jewish Appeal, and a member of the Board of the Bronx YM and YWHA. He is active on the Executive and Administrative Committees of the

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Dr. Johnson to Occupy Pulpit At Synagogue Service, Feb. 26

Dr. Kenneth D. Johnson, Dean of the New York School of Social Research, will be the guest speaker at Services, Friday evening, February 26, at 8:30 P.M. His topic for the evening will be "Harder to be Won than a Strong City."

Dr. Johnson, who was graduated from Brown University in 1921 and from Harvard Law School in 1924, entered the practice of law in Boston. In 1930 he was appointed judge of the District Court in Quincy, Mass., by the governor of Massachusetts and conducted about 4,000 Juvenile Court cases in addition to regular criminal and civil sessions, thus reinforcing his interest in juvenile delinquency. In 1938 he resigned from the bench to devote his full time to the practice of law.

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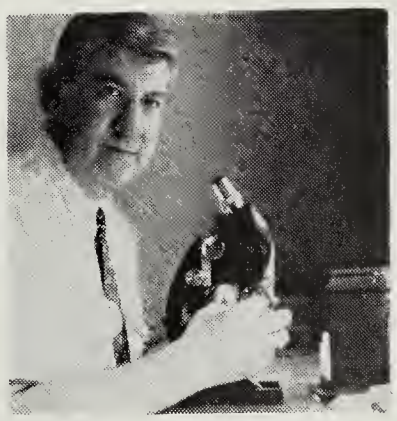

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The Committee on Adult Education, under the Chairmanship of Harold Starkman and with the guidance and direction of Rabbi Noveck have planned two unique symposiums to bring to a climax one of the most successful years of Adult Education in the history of the Synagogue.

On Monday evening, March 1, at 9 P.M. three members of the Synagogue will participate in a discussion of the subject, "Judaism and Medicine." Solomon Green, member of the Synagogue's Advisory Council and its Committee on Adult Education, will discuss the point

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from the desk of the Rabbi

The following article in the NEW YORK TIMES *Sunday, February 14, contains a summary of a sermon delivered by Rabbi Noveck in the Synagogue on February 13.*

Persons whose work fails to give them "a sense of achievement" were urged by Rabbi Simon Noveck to take part in community enterprises.

This would be a good way "to make the commemoration of Lincoln's Birthday a real part of American religion," the rabbi said in a sermon at the Park Avenue Synagogue. He is a director of the National Academy of Adult Jewish Studies and of adult education in conservative congregations.

"One of the great aspirations of every human being is to derive a sense of satisfaction and contentment in life," he said. Many seek it, he added, in "the religion in which we believe, the encouragement of friends who believe in us and the respect of our families."

But, he emphasized, speaking of the Jewish traditional concept of the dignity of labor, "no aspect of our tradition is more relevant to the times in which we live than this emphasis on the role of work."

Dissatisfaction Is Noted

"Most people," he said, "are dissatisfied with the work they do and therefore with their lives. Most of us work long hours and do not feel the zest and the exhilaration that comes from enjoying our work, whether in the upper reaches of society or in the ordinary walks of life.

"We may appear outwardly successful but not have the inner sense of divinity.

"Our work should give us a sense of achievement, a sense of pride. We ought to feel we are producing something and have pride in the quality of our output."

Describing the "sense of expressing one's self" as one of the most precious of experiences, the rabbi declared.

"People in the guild system of the Middle Ages had a feeling of special satisfaction. But in our machine age relatively few people can participate in creating anything."

The ideal solution, he went on, would be to "humanize industry and our technical system so as to allow more people to participate in making decisions in our social life."

"We should choose our daily work and influence our children to choose their daily work on the basis of anticipated future satisfaction," Rabbi Noveck counseled. Otherwise, he indicated, a balance must be sought by "seeking other types of work, in spare time."

Rabbi Noveck and the Synagogue's Seminary Committee respectfully urge all members of the congregation who have not yet done so to send in their pledges to the Seminary. Please send all contributions to Morris Joffe or Rabbi Noveck c/o the Synagogue.

Mazel Tov

TO Mr. and Mrs. Solomon Green on their 5th Wedding Anniversary, February 3.
TO Mr. and Mrs. Harold Frankel on their 25th Wedding Anniversary, February 4.
TO Mr. and Mrs. Irwin Rome on their 15th Wedding Anniversary, February 5.
TO Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Sack on their 35th Wedding Anniversary, February 23.
TO Mrs. Charles Weill on the Birth of a great Granddaughter, Deborah Ann Soffer.
TO Mr. and Mrs. Jacob J. Schwebel on the Birth of a Grandson, James J. Schwebel.
TO Mrs. Henry J. Steiner on the Birth of a Grandson, Robert David.
TO Dr. and Mrs. Morris Kaplan on the Birth of a Granddaughter, Susan Mary.
TO Julius Guggenheimer on his 86th Birthday, February 2.
TO Mr. and Mrs. Joseph I. Lubin on the Marriage of their daughter, Barabara.

letter to the Rabbi

Dear Rabbi Noveck

I can not begin to tell you how much I was moved by your wonderful speech at my bar-mitzvah. I am sure I will remember it all my life. My parents and I are agreed that the funds which I did not spend on a large party should be distributed in a worthy fashion. I am therefore sending you the enclosed to be used for such purposes of the Temple as you may deem best.

Sincerely
Daniel B. Penner

We acknowledge with thanks gifts to our Library from:

Mrs. Leonard Arkin—a complete set of 10 Volumes of the Soncina Edition of The Midrash, in gratitude for the recovery of her son-in-law, Arthur M. Lipkint, Jr.

The Yorkville District of the Zionist Organization of America—for a gift of $500.00 towards the establishment of a Zionist library in the new building.

Post Columnist Will Address Meeting of Yorkville Zionists

The Anniversary Meeting of the Yorkville Zionist District will be held at the Park Avenue Synagogue on Tuesday evening, March 2, at 8:30 P.M. The guest speaker that evening will be Dr. Frank Kingdon noted columnist of the New York Post, who will give a candid picture of Israel and the American scene. There will also be a musical program and a question and answer period following Dr. Kingdon's address. Members of the Park Avenue Synagogue are cordially invited.

LIGHT SHABBAT CANDLES

Friday, Feb. 26, at 5:25 P.M. (E.S.T.)
Friday, Mar. 5, at 5:33 P.M. (E.S.T.)
Friday, Mar. 12, at 5:41 P.M. (E.S.T.)

In gratitude for a safe recovery from an accident, David Hoexter has donated to the Park Avenue Synagogue the balance of his 20 year Certificate of Indebtedness.

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Adult Lecture

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of view of the Bible, Talmud and Jewish tradition towards medical practice. Based on original research, Mr. Green will deal with such issues as the Jewish point of view on autopsy, euthanasia (mercy killing) and abortion.

Dr. Seymour Wimpfheimer, recently elected member of the Board of Trustees and well-known Obstetrician and Gynecologist, and Dr. Milton Helpern, Deputy Medical Examiner of the City of New York and eminent pathologist and authority on forensic medicine will draw upon their vast medical experiences and discuss the ethical basis of medical practice. Covering such questions as termination of pregnancy, abortion, etc., they will deal with these and other ethical dilemmas which confront the modern medical practitioner. And they will indicate whether, in their opinion, modern medical practice could be based on Jewish ethical principles.

On March 8, George Horowitz, of the well-known Horowitz-Margareten family, a practicing attorney and author of a recently published, comprehensive work on "The Spirit of Jewish Law", will sum up the point of view of the Bible, Talmud and Jewish codes of jurisprudence. Israel Oseas, member of the Board of Trustees of the Park Avenue Synagogue, Vice-President of the United Synagogue of America, and also a practicing attorney, will present his point of view on the whole area of legal ethics.

At 8 P.M. there is still a choice of interesting classes which may be attended, which includes Professor Albert J. Salomon's course on "Jewish and Christian Existentialism", Rabbi Waxman's course on "By-Paths in Jewish Literature", Cantor Putterman's Choral Group and Hebrew classes.

The Congregation is requested to reserve Sunday evening, March 28, 1954 for a most unusual concert dedicated to the Cantors Institute of the Seminary.

Complimentary tickets will soon be sent to all of our members.

Men's Service

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American Jewish Committee. Since January 1, Judge Geller has been sitting on the bench of the Supreme Court of the State of New York.

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Johnson Speaks

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During this time, he was actively associated with many leading social agencies, including the National Probation Association, as regional director; the Mass. Conference of Social Work, as president; the John Howard Society, as trustee and the Habit Clinic for Child Guidance as president.

Discussing his appointment as dean, Dr. Johnson declared that "if freedom and security are to prosper in our society, the maladjustments which our technical age has helped create must be treated promptly, sympathetically and capably if they are not to overwhelm us."

SCHOOL NEWS

Hebrew Department Party

The Synagogue Council of the Junior Congregation will hold a dance for the students of the Hebrew Department in the Vestry on Sunday afternoon, February 28. Peter Bienstock, president of the council, has announced that arrangements have been made for the serving of refreshments and for the calling of the square dances by a professional caller.

Visit to Spanish-Portuguese

During the month of February, the three upper classes in the Hebrew Department attended Saturday morning services at the Spanish-Portuguese Synagogue. The students were impressed with the dignity and the beauty of the service and, at the same time, observed the many differences between that service and the service at the Park Avenue Synagogue. Rabbi de Sola Poole welcomed the students at the kiddush that followed the service and complimented them on their ability to participate in the *sepharadit* service.

Boy Scout Sabbath

Troop #600 of the Boy Scouts of America, affiliated with the Religious School, culminated its observance of Boy Scout Week by conducting the services at the Junior Congregation. Maurice Malin, scoutmaster, and Teddy Pincus, patrol leader were assisted by some of the following scouts: Ronald Gurfein, John Wolf, Harry Pincus, David Savitz, Jay Goldblatt, Joseph Weintraub and Stephen Stowe.

Rabbi Noveck to Lecture At Colorado University

Rabbi Simon Noveck has been invited by the University of Colorado and the Hillel Foundation in Boulder to serve as guest lecturer on Judaism and the Jewish Religion during "Religion and Life Week," February 22 through 25.

The Rabbi will lecture to the Anthropology class on "Religion and Social Structure in the Jewish Community," deliver two radio talks on "Religion and Community Life" and participate in University Seminars on "Bible," "God, Heaven and Hell," "Church and Communism" and "Interfaith Marriage."

In addition he will meet with the Jewish members of the faculty of the University and address the Board of the local B'nai B'rith.

Parents Plan Parties, Workshops, for Purim

On January 29, the Parents Association conducted the Friday Evening Service at the Park Avenue Synagogue. Dr. Sidney Hook, noted author, lecturer, and Professor of Philosophy at New York University, delivered a very interesting and enlightening lecture on "What is an Educated Person?"

Mrs. Aaron Schoenbaum, Mrs. Stanley Simon, George Heyman, and Bernard Weintraub participated in the reading of the English and Hebrew prayers. Several Bar Mitzvah boys served as ushers. Following the service, a large number of congregants participated in a stimulating question and answer period.

Again this year, plans are under way for a Purim Workshop under the chairmanship of Mrs. Stanley Simon and her co-workers, Mrs. J. Pincus and Mrs. A. Stangel. On Sunday morning, March 7, and on Monday and Tuesday afternoons, March 8 and 9 from 3:30 to 5:30, there will be an exhibit in the Vestry of various objects pertaining to Purim. These will include the Torah scroll, felt character masks, and other traditional felt fancies symbolic of the Purim festival. Instructions for making these, as well as pamphlets on the home observance of Purim, will be available to parents and youngsters.

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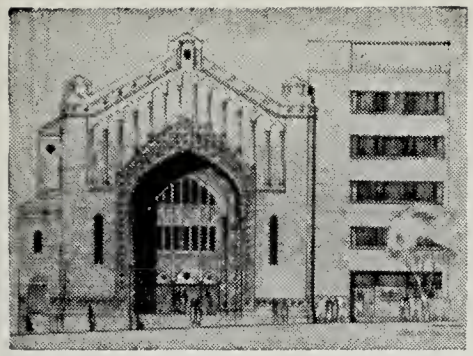

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Annual Purim Service To be Held March 18

A special *Purim* Service will be held in the Synagogue on Thursday evening, March 18, at 8:00 P.M. After a brief evening service, the reading of the *Megillah* (Scroll of Esther) will take place. Following the tradition of the Synagogue for the past few years, several members of the Congregation have been invited to participate in this reading. Some of the traditional *Purim* songs will be chanted.. The services will be conducted by Rabbi Noveck and Cantor Putterman. Cantor Friedman will chant a portion of the *Megillah* in the original Hebrew.

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Synagogue to Honor Founders At 25th Anniversary Fete

The 25th Anniversary Celebration of the merger of the Park Avenue Synagogue and Temple Atereth Israel will be held at a special service, Friday evening, March 12, at 8:30 P.M. During the course of the evening special tribute will be paid to the founder families who belonged to these congregations at the time of the merger.

Reminiscences of the 82nd Street Temple will be given by Milton Weill, and Sanford H. Cohen, present Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Park Avenue Synagogue, who will participate in this anniversary service.

Special seats will be reserved in the first three aisles of the Synagogue, for the families to be honored, and they will be presented with boutonnieres.

Cantor Putterman is arranging a special musical program for the occasion.

Rabbi Simon Noveck will speak from the pulpit on Friday evening, March 19. His topic will be: "The Art of Living in New York City." He will discuss how to live in New York and like it.

Mrs. William Sporborg to be Speaker At Sisterhood's Sabbath, March 26

Mrs. William Dick Sporborg, one of the first recipients of the "Women of Achievement" awards—given by the Federation of Jewish Women's Organizations—will be guest speaker at the Sisterhood Sabbath on Friday evening, March 26. Mrs. Sporborg, who is well known for her many activities in Jewish, national and international affairs, has chosen for her talk the challenging title: "When Women Are Stirred."

Unquestionably one of the outstanding Jewesses in the world to-day Mrs. Sporborg brings to this occasion not only her renowned charm, wit and eloquence, but a wealth of experience gained in such diverse positions as: first president of the N. Y. State Conference, National Council of Jewish Women; past President, National Council of Jewish Women (as well as its N. Y. Chapter); former President of both the N. Y. City and N. Y. State Federation of Women's Clubs; leader—with Secretary Cordell Hull—of a delegation to the 8th Inter-American Conference in Lima, Peru; and Recording Secretary of the National Committee on the Cause and Cure of War. Among a few of the tasks

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MRS. WILLIAM SPORBORG

Musical Program Set For Sisterhood Meeting

Sisterhood's next open meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 16 at the "Y." In keeping with the United Nations theme of this year's programs, a musical program of songs of many lands entitled, "Around the World in Song" will be presented. The guest artists will be Bill Johnson, bass baritone, and Sonya, pianist accordianist. An enjoyable afternoon is expected to be had by all.

On Tuesday, February 16, Sisterhood had the privilege of listening to a most inspiring talk by Reuven Dafni, Consul and Chief of the Bureau of Public Information of Israel. He spoke on "The Unwritten Story of Israel and Jordan," telling of many facts and incidents that had occurred, and interpreting their meaning and significance in the light of present conditions.

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Message From the UJA

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Cargoes of food and other vital supplies for Israel's people are blocked from passing through the Suez Canal . . . A paralyzing Arab boycott is in effect not only against the Jews of Israel, but against firms which do business with Israel—even firms which employ Jews of any nationality . . . More than 400 Israeli men, women and children have been casualties of Arab border raids during the past two years . . . AND King Saud of Saudi Arabia has called for the destruction of Israel, even at the cost of ten million Arab lives.

Israeli's survival is threatened—and with it, the security of Jews throughout the world—unless we do our share. Through UJA we can and must help the immigrants establish themselves on the land and make themselves and the country self-sufficient, so that they will be able to withstand these terrible pressures. And through UJA we can also help Jews in danger and distress everywhere.

In 1954 we must do more, work more, give more to UJA so that Israel and our people can find peace. For their sake and ours, they must not stand alone!

Mazel Tov

TO Dr. and Mrs. Ernest Gladstone on the Engagement of their son, James to Nancy Wolf.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Friedman on their 49th Weddng Anniversary, March 6.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Spiegel on their 25th Wedding Anniversary, March 7.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Saul Godwin on their 25th Wedding Anniversary, March 14.

TO Mr. and Mrs. David Hoexter on their 54th Wedding Anniversary, March 17.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Norman Orent on their 10th Wedding Anniversary, March 19.

TO Jacob Klein on his Birthday, March 12.

TO Mrs. Tillie Heller on her 89th Birthday, March 23.

TO Mrs. Emma Luebeck on her 91st Birthday, March 26.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Meistrich on their 10th Wedding Anniversary, March 30.

Talmudic Encyclopedia V. Released by World Academy

The fifth volume of the Talmudic Encyclopedia, published by the World Academy for Higher Jewish Studies in Jerusalem, in conjunction with the World Mizrachi Organization, was just received in the New York office of the World Academy, 122 West 76th Street.

The *Encyclopedia Talmudith* is a digest of *Halachic* literature from the Talmudic period to the present time, alphabetically arranged. A large number of outstanding scholars are on the editorial board, with Rabbi S. Y. Zevin as Editor-in-Chief.

The editors and contributors of the Encyclopedia spare no efforts to assemble, summarize and interpret each item, with references to same scattered throughout the pages of Talmudic literature from the time of Mishnah down to the current era.

Every code of law, which is intended to help regulate the life of a people, must necessarily be fully understood and definitely interpreted before the people can obey it and be guided by its precepts. Each article before it is accepted for publication in the Encyclopedia, goes through many stages of thorough research and expert editing.

The fifth volume just published, deals with the letter "gimel." The most outstanding articles in it are those dealing with "Goy" (Nation and Gentile) and "Get" (bill of divorcement). The article "goy" covers nearly eighty pages and is an exhaustive research of the real definition of the term and clarifies many of the laws regarding same which are scattered through the entire gamut of Jewish *Halacha.*

The article "Get" covers nearly a hundred pages and provides a comprehensive discussion of the subject. It is also accompanied by a number of photographs of bills of divorcement dating from the Gaonic period, and a Hebrew translation of the bill of divorcement, which is invariably written in Aramaic.

Seminary Establishes New History Center

Another outstanding contribution to the American Jewish community has been made by the Jewish Theological Seminary with the establishment of its new American Jewish History Center.

This research institute, devoted to gathering material on the history of Jewish life in the United States, will be directed by Professor Moshe Davis of the Seminary faculty and Professor Allan Nevins, famous historian at Columbia University.

LIGHT SABBATH CANDLES

Friday, Mar. 12, at 5:41 P.M. (E.S.T.)
Friday, Mar. 19, at 5:49 P.M. (E.S.T.)
Friday, Mar. 26, at 5:56 P.M. (E.S.T.)

"Eternal Light" To Broadcast Purim, Passover Programs

1954 marks the Tenth Anniversary of "The Eternal Light" radio program. During the past ten years this radio program has become one of the most important instruments through which Judaism is interpreted to modern America.

This year, as in the past, special *Purim* and *Passover* programs will be broadcast on March 21, and April 11, respectively.

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The Congregation is requested to reserve Sunday evening, March 28, 1954 for a most unusual concert dedicated to the Cantors Institute of the Seminary.

Complimentary tickets will soon be sent to all of our members.

National Conference Of Christians and Jews Holds Work Seminars

The third Work Conference of the Moral and Spiritual Resources Project of National Conference of Christians and Jews was held on Tuesday, February 16, at Roosevelt Memorial Lecture Hall, American Museum of Natural History, New York City.

The NCCJ Moral and Spiritual Resources Project emphasizes moral and religious values which are essential to the solution of today's crucial human problems.

The February 16 NCCJ Work Conference was but one in a continuing series. The first identified main social problems of the city that test common moral and spiritual resources. The second dealt with the specific issue of housing. The third concerned itself with "Changing Neighborhoods: Tensions of a Shifting Population." Dr. Luther Glick, City Administrator, keynoted this meeting with an address, and brotherhood citations were given to Father Charles Keenan, S. J., Rabbi Edward Klein and Canon Darby Wood Betts, the devoted co-chairmen of the League of West Side Organizations, a group vitally concerned with changing neighborhoods.

Wouldn't you like to learn a little more about the Torah—Jewish history and Culture?

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SCHOOL NEWS

Honors For Scouts

Boy Scout Troop #600, affiliated with the Park Avenue Synagogue, recently won the title of "Best Troop" in the Yorkville District. The troop, in open competition against eight other troops, was able to take first in each of three of the folowing events: map signal reading, morse code, knot tying and compass work.

Scoutmaster Maurice Malin, Senior Patrol Leader, Teddy Pincus, and all the scouts in Troop #600 are to be congratulated on their performance.

Purim Parties

An extensive *Purim* celebration is being planned by the students of the Religious School in cooperation with the class mothers and the Parents Association.

The holiday celebration will be highlighted by a series of individual class parties to be held on Sunday morning, March 14. The students are preparing costumes, masks and favors for the parties and are planning appropriate entertainment and games. The students in the Hebrew Department will hold their class parties on Tuesday and Wednesday, March 16 and 17.

Megillah Reading

The reading of the *Megillah* for students of the Religious School will be held on Thursday afternoon, March 18 at 4:30 P.M. in the Synagogue. Greggers will be distributed and the traditional *hamentashen* will be served at the conclusion of the service.

Parents of children in the Primary Department and in the Hebrew Department are invited to attend the service with their children.

Hebrew in High School

Prospective June graduates, from elementary and junior high schools, who hope to attend the High School of Science or the High School of Music and Arts are urged to select Hebrew as a major language for study. Students may register in these Hebrew classes by designating the language on the application for admission. Parents should note that Hebrew is taught at 28 high schools in New York City and is accepted for admission by most of the colleges in the country.

YOUTH COLUMN

by Marilyn Greenberg

During the past month, the teen-agers comprising the "Halutzim Society," decided that the time had come for a change in the program policy, if the group were to continue successfully.

The meeting of February 7, was devoted to a discussion of the question: "What Should a Synagogue Group mean to Us." We came to the conclusion that since ours is a United Synagogue Youth Group, we should devote the majority of our future activities towards attaining more of a Jewish consciousness through our progarm. Therefore, we shall no longer function as a purely social group, as we realize that our facilities do not enable us to compete with other social organizations.

The executive board has planned to set aside the next four meetings to a series of provocative discussions on Jewish interests. The main topic will be "What Does It Mean to be a Good Jew," and from this question will arise the first two discussions on "Can a Person be a Good Jew without observing Ritual," and "What is the Jewish Conception of God."

The executive board hopes that this new program will be heartily accepted by all the young people of the group.

Purim

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The *Megillah* tells the story of Ahaseurus, King of Persia, Hamen, the Persian Prime Minister who wanted to exterminate all the Jews in the 127 provinces of his Empire, and of Mordecai and his lovely niece, Hadassah or Esther, who were able to save their people from the plot being staged against them. Hamen's conspiracy to destroy the Jewish people is thwarted by the heroism of Esther, the beautiful Queen, who risked her own life to save her people.

Puerto Rican Situation Studied by Sr. League

Following a rousing open meeting in January which featured a panel of Senior League members discussing Israel's role in relation to American and Near East policies, an equally stimulating meeting on February 25, dealt with the current Puerto Rican picture. Miss Carmen Miranda, social worker with the New York City Department of Welfare, gave a thorough and revealing talk on conditions in the island and in the Puerto Rican community here. A successful "Beaux and Arrow Dance" filled out the February program. The next open meeting, vestry conditions permitting, will be held on March 25.

The Senior League Study Group would like to buy or borrow several copies of Rabbi Steinberg's "As A Driven Leaf," which is now unfortunately out of print, and not easily available from the library. A card or call to Robert Barzilay, 333 West 86th Street, with information on the availability of the book would be greatly appreciated.

H.R.H. Construction Corporation, General Supervising Contractors of the Milton Steinberg Memorial Building, require the exclusive use of the Vestry on and after May 1, 1954.

The Vestry will not be available for any purpose after that date until the completion of operations.

SAUL GODWIN, Chairman
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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday Evening, March 12 ..... 8:30 P.M.
25th Anniversary Celebration of the Merger of Park Avenue Synagogue with Temple Atereth Israel

Saturday Morning, March 13 ..... 9:45 A.M.
Arthur Cohen will speak "On Reading the Bible"

Friday Evening, March 19 ..... 8:30 P.M.
Rabbi Noveck will discuss: "The Art of Living in New York City"
How to Live in New York and Like It.

Saturday Morning, March 20 ..... 9:45 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach

Sisterhood Sabbath

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in which Mrs. Sporborg is presently engaged are her work as Chairman of the U. N. Department of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, in which capacity—as its accredited representative—she has attended all the meetings of the General Assembly: membership on the Executive Committees of the "National Committee of Women in World Affairs," "American Association for the U. N.," "World Alliance for International Friendship Through Religion," "U. S. National Commission for UNESCO," and others too numerous to list.

Members of the Synagogue are fortunate indeed that Mrs. Sporborg has found time amidst her many duties to bring to this particular Sabbath the inspiration of her noteworthy achievements.

Participating in the religious services will be: Sisterhood President, Mrs. Sigmund I. Siegel; Mrs. Saul Granetts, Secretary; Mrs. William Karmiol, Treasurer; Mrs. Mortimer Millheiser, Financial Secretary; and Mrs. Maurice Mannheimer, Corresponding Secretary.

In addition, the musical portions of the evening will be enhanced by the singing of the Synagogue Choral Group which has been trained by Cantor Putterman every Monday evening during the period of Adult classes. They will sing the service from the Synagogue pulpit conducted by Cantor Putterman.

Mr. and Mrs. to Hold Meeting on "Buddhism"

The Mr. and Mrs. Group continues its comparative survey of religions. At its last meeting, which was held on February 23, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hoexter, the Group considered Hinduism and Jainism, and was addressed on these subjects by Mr. Satyendra Jain, a native of India, now studying in the United States.

The next meeting of the Group will be held on March 30, at 8:30 P.M. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Selig, 170 West 73rd Street, New York City. The Group will be addressed on the subject of Buddhism, by one of the outstanding priests of that religion in this country. A very interesting and informative evening is assured.

Yiskor Elohim

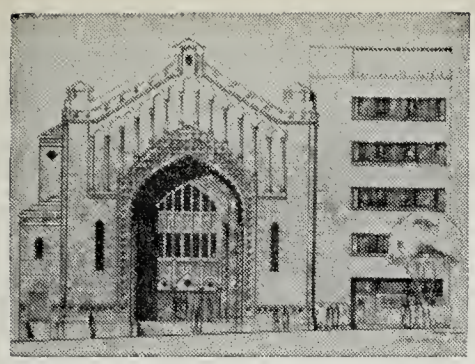
SIDNEY KARPF

brother of Mrs. Marvin Spiegel

The members of the Choral Group are: Shirley Abrams, Alice Adam, Lillian Borgenicht, Sadie E. Cohen, Lillian A. Cotlow, Leah Crohn, Leonie Frieder, Fan Greenstein, Anne Harrison.

Irma Heller, Lieselotte Horn, Antoinette Reinhart, Ella Ritey, Emma J. Stahl, Robert Stein, Edith F. Vyner and Bernard Whitefield.

George Crook, the Synagogue's organist, will accompany the service.



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Young Marrieds Hold Service Apr. 2 Rabbi Will Discuss "Jewish Ritual"

The Young Marrieds' Sabbath will be held on Friday evening, April 2, and Rabbi Noveck will speak on "Is Jewish Ritual Necessary for Mature Living?" He will discuss the religious, psychological and sociological values of Jewish ritual and ceremonials.

He will also deal with the responsibilities which the modern Jewish family has in creating a pattern of observance in the home, as well as the impact that these patterns have on child development.

Following the Service there will be a provocative symposium on the subject of the sermon led by Mrs. Charles Jacobson and Fred Krones, members of the Young Marrieds. All members of the congregation are invited to participate in this symposium.

Members of the Young Marrieds will also participate in the reading of the Services. They include: Norman Blumstein, Marvin Cohen, Dudley Greenstein, Louis Heller, Mrs. Fred Krones and Mrs. Donald Schlessinger.

Other members of the group will usher at the Service under the Chairman of the Ushering Committee, Dr. Marvin Robinson. Those who will act as ushers include: Messrs. Harold Fisher, William Riemer and Asa Sokolow.

Congregation to Sponsor UJA Brunch April 11

The Park Avenue Synagogue will hold its annual United Jewish Appeal brunch on Sunday morning, April 11, 10:30 A.M., at the Hotel Croyden, 12 East 86th St., it has been announced by Dr. Harold A. Osserman, chairman of the drive.

Dr. Osserman said, "I should like everyone to remember that this brunch is for the UJA and that in these days of crisis we must give our fellow Jews overseas all the help we can."

Dr. Ruth Gruber, the well known author and traveler, will be the guest speaker at the affair. Dr. Gruber has been in Israel recently and is fully prepared to report on the critical situation that prevails there.

The co-chairman of the campaign is Gustave Yuder, with Sanford H. Cohen serving as honorary chairman.

The sponsors are Benjamin Abrams, Z. Harry Altmark, Nathan Appleman, George L. Armour, Dr. Samuel Louis Beranbaum, Joseph Block, Hon. Bernard Botein, Samuel N. Brimberg, Louis Camitta, Ezra Cohen, Isidore M. Cohen, Joseph H. Cohen, Frederick Finn, Seymour Finkelstein, William Frankel, Jacob Friedman, Hon. Abraham N. Geller, Mrs. Dorothy Geller, Maurice Ginsburg, Saul Godwin, Hon. Nathaniel L. Goldstein, Solomon E. Green, Fred P. Greenberg, Albert L. Greenspan, Dudley

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Mrs. Wm. Sporborg to be Sisterhood's Speaker At Services March 26

Sisterhood Sabbath, on March 26, will be highlighted this year by three noteworthy events. First and foremost is the guest speaker, Mrs. William Dick Sporborg. This charming and erudite woman has so dynamic a personality that the calls on her time are more numerous than she is able to accept; and the fact of her presence in itself is an indication of how highly the work of this Sisterhood is regarded on the local scene. Mrs. Sporborg's vast and varied experiences in Jewish, communal and international activities pressage an evening of stimulating and provocative thought for the congregation.

In addition five of the Sisterhood officers will lead the reading of the Service; and finally, the Synagogue Choral Group, completing a season of coaching with Cantor David Putterman, will augment the regular choir and provide the liturgical portions of the evening.

During its 58 years of existence the Sisterhood has succeeded in establishing

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday Evening, March 26 .....8:30 P.M.

Sisterhood Sabbath

Mrs. William Sporborg will speak on:

"When Women are Stirred"

Synagogue Choral Group Will Sing the Service

Conducted by Cantor Putterman

Saturday Morning, March 27 .....9:45 A.M.

Bar Mitzvah of Robert Cogan

Friday Evening, April 2 .....8:30 P.M.

Young Marrieds' Sabbath

Rabbi Simon Noveck will discuss:

"Is Jewish Ritual Necessary for Mature Living?"

Saturday Morning, April 3 .....9:45 A.M.

Bar Mitzvah of David Nalin

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25th Anniversary of Merger Feted By Members at Special Services

Excerpts from the Rabbi's Sermon

The renowned philosopher Santayana once defined piety as "cultivating the sources of one's being." In this remark Santayana caught the spirit of the religious or pious person. For such a person is not merely one who engages in religious exercises, rather he is the kind of human being who recalls from time to time the great moments of personal discovery when he first realized what he was to do with his life, who remembers, with gratitude, the men and women who early in life helped him along life's way, and who looks back to the great tradition in whose spirit he has been raised —and draws from it the inspiration to face the future.

As it is with the individual, so it is with the institution. For as Plato put it in his "Republic", an institution is but an "individual writ large". An institution which has reached maturity must pause from time to time in the midst of its activities and recall the sacred moments of the past which gave it strength and the impetus to move forward. It must pay tribute to the pioneers who laid the foundations and to the great tradition in whose name it has labored.

This is the purpose of this celebration and this is what gives it significance. We look back tonight to an important moment in the development of this institution which, if it had not taken place, may have altered the whole history of our Synagogue. The keynote tonight is unity and the strength which comes from unity. I am sure that something will be said tonight about both parties to this merger whose Silver Anniversary we celebrate, and about the fine relationship which has existed through the years between them: for not only were two institutions amalgamated 25 years ago, but two groups of people came together and some very warm friendships have developed . . .

Now it is my privilege to introduce the first of our speakers for this evening. He literally brings you greetings from the past. Rabbi Clifton Harby Levy was rabbi of the Park Avenue Synagogue, or rather the 86th Street Temple, back in 1890, and is, therefore, probably the oldest and best authority on our Synagogue.

letter from Jacob Friedman

(The following is a letter by Jacob Friedman, Honorary President, read by Sanford H. Cohen, Chairman of the Board of Trustees.)

To my dear friends, members of the Park Avenue Synagogue:

The letter informing me of the celebration in honor of the 25th anniversary of the Park Avenue Synagogue and the 82nd Street Temple reached me just as I was ready to leave for Palm Sprngs. It is a great pleasure to send you greetings on this important occasion, particularly to the original members of both the Park Avenue and the Atereth Israel Synagogues who made this union possible. My sincere *Mazel Tov* to all of you.

The Park Avenue Synagogue dedicated its present imposing structure on Sunday, March 27, 1927 with a very colorful and impressive ceremony participated in by Mayor Walker, Rabbi Stephen S. Wise, Bishop William Manning and other celebrities. But despite its new building the Synagogue was in a very poor financial condition and we needed help. We, therefore, welcomed the possibility of a merger between the 82nd Street Temple and our institution. The negotiations lasted several months and it was primarily because of the efforts of the Weill family and Albert Fisch that the amalgamation succeeded. Early in 1929 the Atereth Israel voted to amalgamate with us.

The service in honor of the amalgamation took place on March 1, 1929 and it was an occasion I shall always remember. Two weeks later we held our annual meeting which had been deferred until the negotiations were brought to a happy conclusion.

Because of the merger I felt so encouraged and so optimistic that I gave a very glowing and rosy report, although we were financially still in a weak position. With the almagamation we gained about 60 members thus giving us a total of approximately 300. With the new members from the 82nd Temple and the funds they brought with them, we were able to pay off a loan from the bank which relieved me of a great deal of worry.

Year after year I pleaded for a special tax to be levied on each member in order to reduce the interest charges. The Board of Trustees, however, felt that I ought to make a strong appeal for donations on *Kol Nidre* and during the year.

Thus the Park Avenue Synagogue, like most institutions, had its share of difficulties. But I never lost faith that sooner or later our Synagogue would be recognized in the community if we could find the right leaders. The Good Lord heard my prayers and sent us the right officials who eventually brought us to where we stand today.

Though far away from all of you I am very happy to know that the Park Avenue Synagogue, the institution for which we labored, has made so much progress.

May you who are devoted to this Synagogue keep on working and may all your dreams in connection with the Synagogue come true.

I thank you, dear friends, for the honor you still bestow on me by remembering me at every occasion.

Sincerely,
UNCLE JACOB

message of the Board Chairman

(Remarks by Sanford H. Cohen, Chairman of the Board of Trustees.)

Mr. Jacob Friedman, who, as we affectionately know as Uncle Jacob, was President of the Synagogue until approximately 15 years ago and as the letter indicates, is deeply interested in its progress. He still retains that interest.

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Board Chairman

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It was during his administration that the late Rabbi Milton Steinberg and Cantor David Putterman came to our pulpit.

The activities of our religious and Hebrew School have been developed and broadened.

Our program of adult education, commenced nearly 20 years ago, has been expanded and became nationally known under the able guidance of our Rabbi Simon Noveck.

Cantor Putterman's leadership in his field has enhanced our religious services and the various courses given by him.

I trust that you, the members of the merged Synagogues, and our new members will show continued interest and activity in behalf of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

(*Cantor Putterman introduced the Choir who rendered an appropriate psalm.*)

Reminiscences by Milton Weill

In order to help me in my reminiscing, I went to the Synagogue last Sunday to look at the old scrap books—at the old minute books, copies of some of Jacob Friedman's speeches to refresh my memory.

Temple Atereth Israel was a little congregation on East 82nd Street, made up of a small group of ardent, devoted Jews, mostly German, French and Alsatian background, who were banded together for worship and prayer. Worship to them was not a duty—it was their way of life. There was no pretense or show about them—they were just a warm "gemutlich" group. There was nothing modern in their approach to services or Jewish education. This small band through Conservative Planning—a bit of real estate—the acquisition of cemetery grounds in Mt Carmel and Machpelah—never spending what they did not have—built up a net worth of some $150,000. With that "wealth" came ambitions to move out of the old neighborhood and build a new House of Worship. There were some from that congregation, I included, who felt that a merger with an existing congregation would be a more favorable step. Many dramatic sessions of the Board and of the membership were held and finally on December 19, 1928 a vote was taken that unanimously favored a merger. A committee was appointed to meet with other congregations on both the westside and the eastside, and the merger with the Park Avenue Synagogue was recommended.

I recall vividly the early meetings of the Board. There was difficulty to get a quorum together. Attending the Board meetings meant endless problems, often meant giving contributions to meet the current payroll, but through it all Uncle Jacob Friedman never got excited. He always was hopeful, and calmly tool refuge in his constant comfort "Gott wirt helfen."

I recall the $250,000 mortgage and the refusal of the bank to renew that mortgage unless all trustces went on the bond personally.

I recall how all of us sighed with relicf when through the help of Joseph Lubin and Sam Lembert, the mortgage was transferred to the Williamsburg Bank and the personal guarantee eliminated. Since then the mortgage has been practically paid off.

After a few years of joint operation came the move to revitalize the Synagogue. As a result of that move our beloved Milton Steinberg became the Rabbi of the Synagogue. His close associate, Cantor Putterman had been invited to become the Cantor just a few months before.

Together, after the stormy difficult days, they brought peace, progress and growth, and helped, with a constant growing membership, to make the P.A.S. the important center in the conservative movement that it is today.

UJA Brunch

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Greenstein, Benjamin Gross, Louis Grossman and Benjamin Gutman.

Also, Jules G. Haft, Harry Halbren, Benjamin A. Hartstein, Louis I. Heller, Milton Heller, Mrs. Lillian Helpern, Victor J. Herwitz, William Heyman, Emanuel Hochman, Saul Horowitz, Julian Jacobs, Morrie Joffe(Joseph Howard Katz, Hon. Irving Kaufman, Edward Kaye, Col. Melvin L. Krulewitch, Joseph Kurzon, Samuel Lemberg, Harold H. Levin, Kassel Lewis, Joseph I. Lubin, Morry Luxenberg, Joseph P. Mandelbaum, Herman S. Meltzer, Mortimer D. Millheiser, Rabbi Simon Noveck, Arthur Ochs, Israel Baruch Oseas, Mrs. Letty Osserman, Alex J. Ostriker, Edward Peiper, Joseph A. Perlman, Felix Pfeffer, Samuel Platzer, Bernard Prensky, Theodore Racoosin, Maurice Rentner, Tubie Resnik, David Richman, Hon. Simon H. Rifkind and Dr. Hector J. Ritey.

Also, Nelson Ruttenberg, Benjamin Sack, Irving Sarnoff, Lawrence Schacht, Harold P. Seligson, Herbert Semel, Ivens Sherr, Dr. Erich Siegel, Mrs. Phyliss Siegel, Sidney J. Silberman, Milton M. Sivek, Harry Sokolow, Rudolph G. Sonneborn, Harold R. Starkman, Jacob Starr, Archie Thurman and Moe Turman.

Parents Group Active In Purim Celebration

Again this year, the Parents Association took an active part in the celebration of *Purim*. On Sunday morning, March 7, and on Monday and Tuesday afternoons, March 8 and 9, Mrs. Stanley Simon, assisted by Mrs. A. Stangel and Mrs. J. Pincus, conducted a Workshop for the students of the Religious School at the Park Avenue Synagogue and for their parents.

There was a fine demonstration of the *Torah* scroll, costumes and masks, as well as instruction in regard to creating many *Purim* fancies. Pamphlets explaining the songs, games, stories, and food symbolic of *Purim* were available for all who attended.

On Sunday morning, March 14, the class mothers of the Parents Association, under the Chairmanship of Mrs. Bernard Grauer, supervised the *Purim* parties held in the various classrooms. Refreshments in keeping with the *Purim* holidays were served to the youngsters.

Through the efforts of Martin Leichtling, Principal of the Religious School, an excellent color film was shown to all the children. The movic, "Sons of Liberty", featured Claude Rains in the stellar role.

LIGHT SABBATH CANDLES

Friday, Mar. 26, at 5:56 P.M. (E.S.T.)
Friday, Apr. 2, at 6:04 P.M. (E.S.T.)
Friday, Apr. 9, at 6:11 P.M. (E.S.T.)

Contributions to Memorial

A great many contributions have been received for the Milton Steinberg Memorial Fund in memory of June Rosenthal and Mrs. Frieda Ochs.

RABBI TO APPEAR ON TV

Rabbi Noveck will conduct the WNBT Chapel Program and deliver the sermon on Sunday morning, March 28, at 9 A.M., over Channel 4.

PASSOVER SERVICES

Passover will be observed this year from Saturday night, April 17, through Sunday, April 25. Services will be conducted in the Synagogue on the following days:

Saturday, April 17, at 9:30 A.M. and 6:00 P.M.
Sunday, April 18, at 9:30 A.M. and 6:00 P.M.
Monday, April 19, at 9:30 A.M.
Friday, April 23, at 6:00 P.M.
Saturday, April 24, at 9:30 A.M. and 6 P.M.
Sunday, April 25, at 9:30 A.M.

Further details will appear in the next ssue of the Bulletin. There will not be a Community Seder in the Congregation this year because of the condition of the Vestry due to the construction of the new building.

Men's Club to Hold Annual Ladies Night

After a very successful pre-*Purim* celebration at its "Father and Son Sports Night" on Tuesday, March 16 the Men's Club requests its members to prepare for the Annual "Ladies Night."

This social affair for the wives of members will take place, this year, during the latter part of April. More complete details will appear in the next issue of BULLETIN.

Due to unforseen circumstances, the concert dedicated to the Cantors Institute of the Seminary for Sunday evening, March 28, has been cancelled.

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The date set for Sisterhood's annual visit to the Home for the Aged Blind in Yonkers is Tuesday, April 27. As is its custom, Sisterhood will provide an entertaining program and refreshments for the group.

It is important for all members to notify the Executive Secretary, Emanuel Rosenthal of important occasions of joy and sorrow in the family.

Mazel Tov

(Editor's note: Due to the lack of space it is impossible to announce each anniversary of members. Therefore we limit our column to the milestone years. However if we have inadvertently omitted any, please notify us and it will be included in the following issue.)

TO Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Klein on the birth of a grandson, Jonathan Jacob, and to his parents Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. Klein.

TO Judge and Mrs. Abraham N. Geller on the Marriage of their daughter, Susan Joyce, to Mr. Sheldon Nahon Platt, April 4.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Levey on the Birth of a grandson, Jeffrey Scott Laudin.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Davidson on the Engagement of their son, Dr. Allen Davidson to Patricia Baris.

Eleazar Lipsky to be Young Marrieds' Guest

Eleazar Lipsky, son of Louis Lipsky, distinguished Zionist leader, will address the regular monthly meeting of the Young Marrieds on Tuesday evening, April 13, at the Y.M.H.A. at Lexington Avenue and 92nd Street.

Mr. Lipsky was an Assistant District Attorney in New York County for four years, and has since returned to private practice. He initially achieved prominence in Jewish affairs through the publication of a series of provocative articles dealing with the position of the Jews in Europe and the building of the Jewish homeland in Israel.

He is a former editor of the *New Palestine* Magazine, a member of the Executive Committee of the Zionist Organization of America, and a much sought after lecturer on Zionist and Jewish themes.

A novelist by avocation, Mr. Lipsky's most recent book is the popular "Lincoln McKeever", a Literary Guild Book Club selection.

Amy and David Putterman want to express their sincere appreciation for the many good wishes and expressions of friendship that they received during Amy's recent illness.

Although it would be impossible to answer individually the many hundreds of messages that have poured in, Amy and David were deeply touched by these expressions of love and affection and wish to take this opportunity to express their heartfelt gratitude to the members of the congregation.

Sisterhood Service

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a record of leadership in all the city-wide charitable campaigns and is culminating its immediate Synagogue and Communal services by contributing $50,000.00 to the Milton Steinberg Memorial Campaign. Therefore, it is fitting that Mrs. Sporborg has chosen for her theme the title "When Women Are Stirred".

Yiskor Elohim

PHILIP WECHSLER
father of Dr. Harry Wechsler

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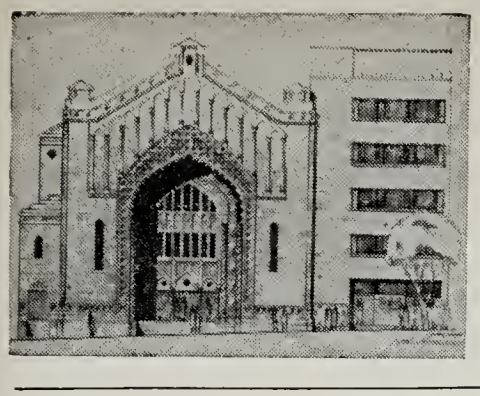
brother of Mrs. Bertha Hamerman, brother-in-law of Mrs. Celia Broder



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BULLETIN

April 9, 1954 Affiliated with the Jewish Theological Seminary and the United Synagogue of America 6 Nisan, 5714

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday Evening, April 9 ..... 8:30 P.M.

Yahrzeit of Milton Steinberg

Rabbi Noveck will deliver the Sermon

Saturday Morning, April 10 ..... 9:45 A.M.

Bar Mitzvah of Kenneth Rosen

Rabbi Noveck will preach

Friday Evening, April 16 ..... 6:00 P.M.

Early Services

Saturday Morning, April 17 ..... 9:45 A.M.

The Great Sabbath

Rabbi Noveck will preach

PASSOVER SCHEDULE

FIRST DAYS OF PASSOVER

First Evening, Saturday, April 17 ..... 6:00 P.M.

First Morning, Sunday, April 18 ..... 9:30 A.M.

Rabbi Noveck will preach

Second Evening, Sunday, April 18 ..... 6:00 P.M.

Second Morning, Monday, April 19 ..... 9:30 A.M.

Rabbi Noveck will preach

SECOND DAYS

Seventh Evening, Friday, April 23 ..... 6:00 P.M.

Seventh Morning, Saturday, April 24 ..... 9:30 A.M.

Rabbi Noveck will preach

Eighth Evening, Saturday, April 24 ..... 6:00 P.M.

Eighth Morning, Sunday, April 25 ..... 9:30 A.M.

Rabbi Noveck will preach

Memorial Services will be held

Musical Services will be conducted by Cantor Putterman
assisted by the Synagogue Choir and
George Crook, organist.

If you wish any of Your Family Memorialized,
Please Return the Enclosed Card to the Synagogue Office.

There will be no late Friday Evening Services on April 16, and April 23

Synagogue to Observe Steinberg Yahrzeit

On Friday evening, April 9, 1954 the Synagogue will commemorate the 4th Yahrzeit of Rabbi Milton Steinberg who passed away on the 2nd day of Nisan, 1950. Due to the Jewish leap year the Hebrew date is somewhat later than usual this year.

Rabbi Noveck will deliver the sermon on that evening and will discuss Milton Steinberg's philosophy of the rabbinate, drawing his material from several sections of the biography he is preparing on the life and writings of Milton Steinberg which is scheduled for publication next winter.

Col. Krulewitch Named Youth Committee Head

Sanford H. Cohen, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, announced the appointment of the following Youth Program Committee to be headed by Col. Melvin L. Krulewitch, Chairman; Dr. A. I. Grantz, Louis Heller, Mrs. Herman Helpern, Edward Kaye, Harold H. Levin, Nelson Ruttenberg and Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer.

A preliminary meeting of the committee was held, at which it was decided that a study should be made of an overall youth program for the synagogue.

With the completion of the new building and its additional facilities, it will be possible for the synagogue to undertake a more comprehensive program for the teen-agers of the congregation.

The chairman is planning to contact experts in the field of youth guidance for the purpose of securing all available information necessary to the planning of

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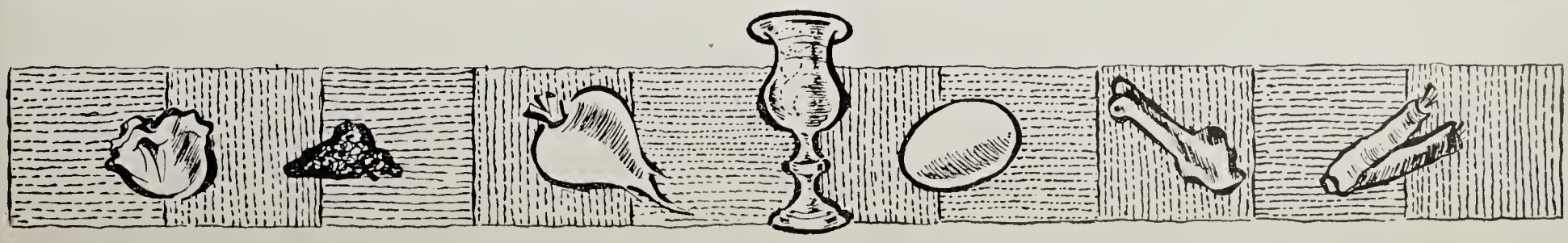

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Passover
The Festival of Freedom

(Condensed from Festivals of the Jewish New Year by Theodor H. Gaster.)

The festival of Passover is known in Jewish tradition as the "Season of Our Freedom." Its central theme is Release. On the seasonal plane, it marks the release of the earth from the grip of winter. On the historical plane, it commemorates the exodus of the Children of Israel from Egypt. On the broad human plane, it celebrates the emergence from bondage and idolatry.

In Judaism the story of the Exodus has long since been lifted out of a purely historical context. The Jewish attitude toward it stems from the premise that events transcend the moments of their occurance—that anything which happens in history happens not only at a particular point in time, but also as part of a continuous process and therefore involves as its participants not only a single generation but also—and more important—all who went before and all who follow after.

It is this ideal Exodus—this Exodus detached from a mooring in time—that is really celebrated in the traditional *Seder* service on the first two evenings of the Passover Festival.

The *Seder*—the word means simply "order of service" or "formal proceedure"—is at once a substitute for the ancient paschal sacrifice and a fulfillment of the Biblical injunction (Exod. 13:8) to retell the story of the Exodus to one's children.

The principal feature of the ritual is the eating of various foods traditionally associated with the departure from Egypt. These are: *Matzoh*, or unleavened bread; bitter herb (horse-radish), taken to commemorate the bitterness of servitude; and *Heroseth*, a mixture of chopped apples, nuts, raisins and cinnamon, which symbolizes the mortar in which the Israelites labored while they built the store-cities of Pithom and Raamses (Exod. 1:11). Moreover the meal is introduced by the consumption of parsley dipped in salted water. During the course of it, a minimum of four cups of wine must be drunk, recalling the four expressions used in Exodus 6:6-7 to describe God's deliverance of Israel. In addition, besides the food actually consumed, the shankbone of a lamb and a roasted egg have to be placed on the table. The former symbolizes the paschal offering, while the latter is, in all probability, a later importation from pagan custom and like the corresponding Christian Easter Egg, exemplifies the beginning of life in spring.

There is a strict religious protocol about the manner in which the ritual foods are to be eaten. The *Matzoh*, for example, consists of three cakes placed one above the other and popularly known as "the Priest, the Levite, and the Israelite." At the beginning of the service, the celebrant breaks the middle cake in half and sets one of the halves aside, wrapping it in a napkin. This, known as "*afikomin*," is subsequently distributed among the company and constitutes the last thing eaten at the ceremony. The bitter herbs, in addition to being eaten separately, are also served in a "sandwich" between pieces of *matzoh*, thereby carrying out to the letter the Biblical commandment (Exod. 12:8) which enjoins that unleavened bread and bitter herbs be eaten together as an accompaniment of the paschal meal. At the conclusion of the supper, an extra cup of wine is filled for the prophet Elijah who, it is believed, will come on Passover night to herald the final redemption of Israel. The main door of the house or apartment is flung open for a few moments to permit his entrance.

Those present at the *Seder* Ceremony are expected to adopt a casual, reclining posture, symbolizing that of free-men at ancient banquets. In some parts of the world, however, everyone appears in hat and coat, with satchel on back and staff in hand, thus re-enacting the Departure from Egypt.

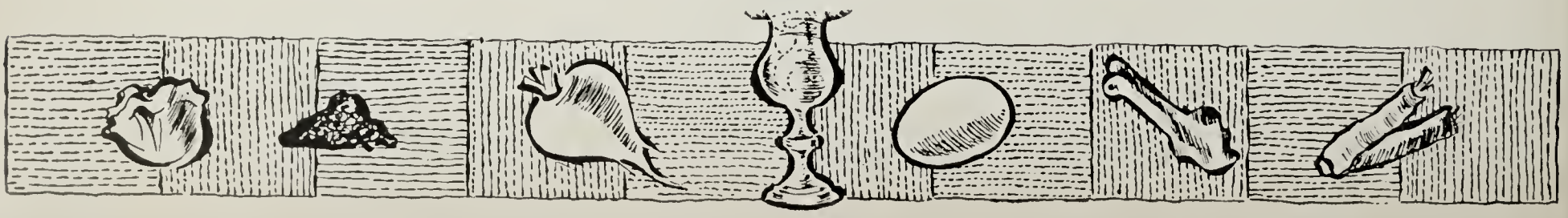
The narrative portion of the ceremony is known as the *Haggadah*, or Recital, and consists in a repetition of the Scriptural story of the Exodus, embellished by rabbinic comments and elaborations and rounded out by the chanting of psalms, hymns and secular songs.

The narrative is introduced by a series of questions (*Mah Nishtanah*), asked by the youngest member of the company: Why is this night different from all other nights?" All that follows is regarded as the answer.

High points of the *Haggadah* are: the "Section of the Four Sons", the "Litany of Wonders", and the chanting of "*Hallel.*"

Properly understood, the Seder ceremony is no mere act of pious recollection, but a unique and inspired device for blending the past, the present, and the future into a single comprehensive and transcendental experience. The actors in the stories are not merely the particular Israelites who happen to be led out of bondage by Moses but all the generations of Israel throughout all of time. In an ideal sense, all Israel went forth out of Egypt, and all Israel stood before Sinai; and all Israel moved through darkness to the presence of God, in the wake of a pillar of fire. Whenever the trumpets sound in history, they sound for all ages; and when the bell tolls, the echo lives on forever.

Rabbi Noveck will be the guest on Estelle Sternberger's radio program, Monday, April 12, at 5:15 P.M. over Station WLIB. The subject discussed will be "The Soul and Mind of the American Jew" as related to adult education plans.



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Friday, Apr. 16, at 6:18 P.M. (E.S.T.)
Friday, Apr. 23, at 6:26 P.M. (E.S.T.)

Men's Club Schedules Meeting for April 27

The Men's Club has decided to change its earlier plans and is postponing the Annual Ladies Night until the Fall, in order to hold it in the newly decorated Vestry. Therefore, the next regular meeting, which will be held on Tuesday, April 27, will be for men only.

Final plans are now in process of being made for this meeting and full information will appear in the next issue of the BULLETIN. Meanwhile, all men are asked to reserve the date—Tuesday, April 27.

Federation Gives Dinner To Honor Milton Weill

The Federation of Jewish Philanthropies of New York is tendering a special dinner to Milton Weill on Wednesday evening, April 14, at the Hotel Plaza at 6:30 P.M. Mr. Weill is retiring as President of Federation, after three years of devoted service in that capacity.

Milton Weill, a member of the Board of Trustees of the Park Avenue Synagogue, also served as the first Chairman of the Milton Steinberg Memorial Fund.

Rabbi Simon Noveck has been invited to give the invocation at this dinner.

Yiskor Elohim

SONIA GREENBERG
mother of Murray Greenberg
SAMUEL Z. LIBERMAN
brother of Mrs. Harry Altmark

Youth Committee

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a well integrated program. Members of the congregation who have any suggestions with regard to this program are requested to contact its Chairman, Col. Krulewitch.

SCHOOL NEWS

MODEL SEDER

The model *Seder* will be conducted by the students of the Religious School under the guidance of Rabbi Noveck, on Sunday morning, April 11, in the vestry of the Synagogue.

Each class in the school will be responsible for the decoration of its *Seder* table. Many classes have planned appropriate holiday centerpieces which have both a traditional and a modern significance. The reading of the *Haggadah* will be led by the students from the Hebrew Department. The students in the Primary Department will join in the singing of all of the Passover melodies.

Mrs. Bernard Grauer and her committee of Class Mothers, with the assistance of the members of the Holiday workshop, have arranged for the preparation and the serving of the food at the *Seder*.

SPRING RECESS

The Spring Recess of the Religious School will take place during the Passover week. School will close on Saturday, April 17, and re-open on Monday afternoon, April 26.

Laymen's Conference

The Board of Education of the Metropolitan Council of United Synagogue recently held a buffet-supper conference on "The Laymen's Role in Building the Congregational School." Two hundred men and women, representing forty-two congregations in Greater New York, met to discuss problems dealing with the function of the School Board, the School Board and the faculty and the relationship between the School Board, the Parents Association and the community. The exchange of ideas and experiences of the speakers at the various seminars was most stimulating and provocative. It was particularly interesting to note the rapid growth of congregational schools throughout the city and in the suburbs.

Edward Kaye, Martin Leichtling, Bernard Weintraub and Mrs. Harry Zucker represented the Park Avenue Synagogue at the conference. Mrs. Stanley Simon and Mrs. Joseph Pincus, with two ladies from the Society for Advancement of Judaism, arranged for the buffet-supper that was served to the delegates.

Mazel Tov

TO Mr. and Mrs. Moe Turman on their 35th Wedding Anniversary, April 1.

TO Mrs. Bertha Davidson on her 88th Birthday, April 29.

TO Mrs. Frieda Davidson on her 84th Birthday, April 29.

TO Hon. and Mrs. Maxwell Shapiro on the Marriage of their daughter Penny to Martin F. Zorn.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Alan Baron on the Birth of a son, Frederick Steven and to his Grandmother, Mrs. S. J. Baron.

Contributions to New Library

Mrs. Ignatz Neumann has donated two Volumes of the Soncino Edition of the Talmud to the new library in memory of her daughter, Beatrix H. Neumann.

"Blessing of Bride" Ceremony

At the Saturday morning services, March 27, the following participated in the ceremony of the Blessing of the Bride, in honor of their forthcoming marriages:

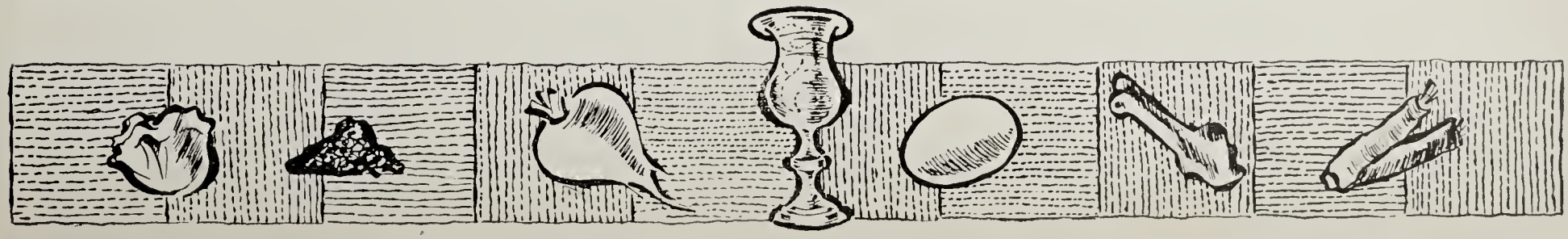
Miss Susan Joyce Geller to Sheldon Nahon Platt

Miss Penny Sandra Shapiro to Martin Fish Zorn.

Holiday Workshop

The Parents' Association Holiday Workshop, under the guidance of Mrs. Stanley Simon, has played, over a period of years, an important role in the education of the children and their parents.

However, the task performed by the workshop before *Purim*, this year, was so unusual and so impressive that the faculty and students of the school wish to publicly express their thanks to Mrs. Simon, Mrs. Abraham Stangel and Mrs. Joseph Pincus. The more than one hundred parents, who visited the workshop, individually expressed their words of appreciation for the exhibit.



Sisterhood to Discuss Puerto Rican Problems, Arranges Visit to Blind

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Dr. Morrison's study is conducted as the result of a grant from the Ford Foundation in connection with the Board of Education. What Dr. Morrison has to say on "Pathways to Puerto Rican Integration" should be of interest to all.

The popular radio concert master, Bertram Hirsch, of Gustave Haenschen's orchestra—*Album of Familiar Music*, a violinist of outstanding merit, has most graciously volunteered to perform at Sisterhood's Spring Party at the N. Y. Guild's home for the Jewish Blind on April 27.

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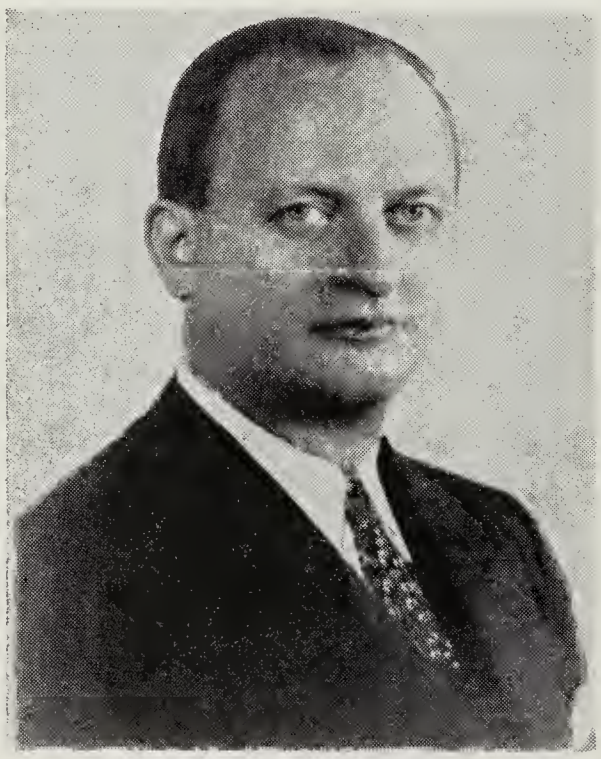
Parents Group Plans Family Night; Humorist, Magician Will Perform

A Family Party Night will be held under the auspices of the Parents Association on Wednesday evening, April 14, at 8:15 P.M. in the Vestry of the Park Avenue Synagogue. Extensive plans are underway for this social evening to which all members of the Congregation and their families are cordially invited.

The well-known humorist, Irving Davidson, will entertain the audience with his interpretation of the stories which most clearly express the character of the Jewish people. A graduate of the College of the City of New York and of the Fordham Law School, Mr. Davidson is a lawyer whose hobby has been to collect stories of Jewish wit and humor. He is often called the "Jewish Ripley" because of his lectures on Jewish historical oddities. Many members of the Park Avenue Synagogue will remember Mr. Davidson as a former principal of the Religious School under the late Rabbi Milton Steinberg.

ABRAHAM HURWITZ

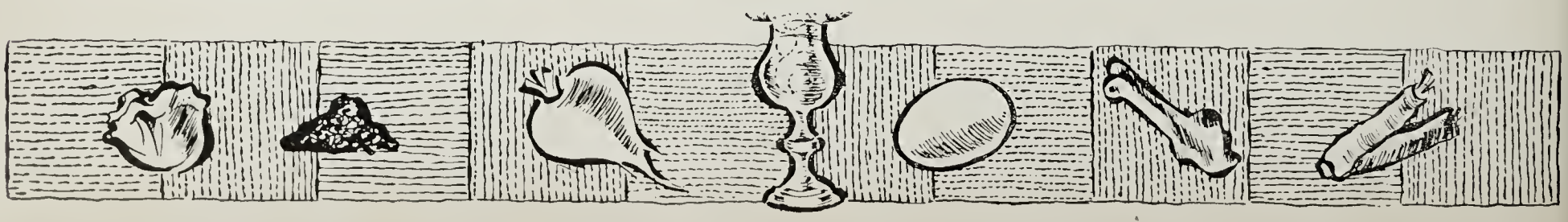
"Peter Pan, the Magic Man" best describes Professor Abraham B. Hurwitz, who will entertain with his "Magic with a Message." Dr. Hurwitz, who has been a College instructor for eighteen years in the field of recreational, creative education, has also conducted the Magic School of the Air, WNYC. Known as the "Million Kid Magician," Dr Hurwitz is the originator of the use of magic as a medium of Jewish education. His articles on the "Psychology of Entertaining Children" have appeared in many publications. Recently he was awarded the Supreme Knight Jewel for outstanding contributions in Magic Art.

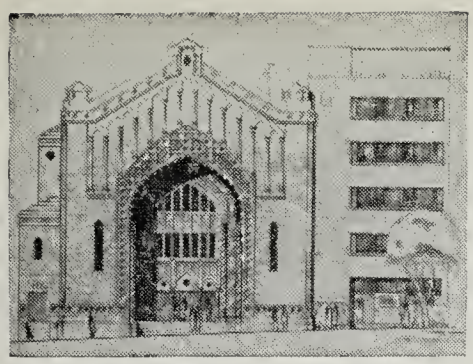


IRVING DAVIDSON

Under the supervision of their teacher, Mrs. Kaplan, several youngsters from the Religious School will entertain with musical selections. The Boy Scouts and the Girl Scouts of the Park Avenue Synagogue will also take part in the program, and a group of boys and girls of the Religious School will act as ushers during the evening.

Another feature will be a Passover Workshop conducted by Mrs. Stanley Simon and Mrs. A. Stangel. The traditional symbols of the Passover table will be on display. There will also be many suggestions which will help to create a fine holiday atmosphere in the home. Mrs. Aaron Schoenbaum will be in charge of refreshments.





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SECOND DAYS OF PASSOVER

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Seventh Morning, Saturday, April 24 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach

Eighth Evening, Saturday, April 24 ..... 6:00 P.M.
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Friday Evening, April 30 ..... 6:00 P.M.
Saturday Morning, May 1 ..... 9:45 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach

Annual Party for Blind Planned by Sisterhood

Tuesday, April 27, is the date set for Sisterhood's annual Spring Party at the New York Guild for the Jewish Blind in Yonkers. Refreshments and entertainment will be offered. The guest artist will be the popular radio concert master, Bertram Hirsch, of Gustave Haenschen's orchestra—*Album of Familiar Music,*—and a violinist of outstanding merit. Also featured on the program will be Elizabeth Kurz, a top flight classical pianist, and Laura Manning, a beautiful and talented lyric soprano, who will render several popular numbers.

Members are requested to call Helen Luebeck, TR 7-0959, so that car seating can be arranged.

On Tuesday, May 18, Sisterhood's annual installation and birthday party will be held at the Hotel Croydon. Watch the next issue of the BULLETIN for further details.

LIGHT SABBATH CANDLES

Friday, Apr. 23, at 6:26 P.M. (E.S.T.)
Friday, Apr. 30, at 6:33 P.M. (E.S.T.)
Friday, May 7, at 6:40 P.M. (E.S.T.)

Men's Club Will Hold May Dinner-Meeting

Due to the sudden closing of the Vestry, the Men's Club Meeting, scheduled for April 27, has been cancelled. There will, however, be a dinner-meeting in May, at which time new officers and directors will be elected and installed. Further details will appear in the next issue of BULLETIN.

Competition among the students of the Religious School has been very keen for the annual Youth leadership Award which will be presented by the Men's Club during the Confirmation services in June.

The Vestry of the Synagogue was closed on April 15, for alterations. Air conditioning, a new floor and new ceiling will be installed and a connection with the new building made. The new Vestry will be finished in time for the fall holidays.

Yiskor Elohim

JACOB KOPIT

father of Mrs. Joseph Perlman

Board Chairman Reveals Committee Appointments

Sanford H. Cohen, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Synagogue, has announced the appointment of the following committee chairmen and members:

Art Objects and Decorations Committee for the Steinberg Memorial Building: Mrs. Anna Edelman, Mrs. Marvin Robinson, Mrs. Edith Steinberg and Mrs. Milton Weill.

Bulletin Committee: Nelson Ruttenberg, Chairman; Robert Barzilay, Dudley Greenstein and Mrs. Marvin Robinson, Editor.

Building Committee: Saul Godwin, Chairman; Nathan Appleman, I. M. Cohen, Sanford H. Cohen, Saul Horowitz, Joseph Howard Katz. Samuel Lemberg, Benjamin Sack and Mrs. Edith Steinberg.

Finance Committee: Benjamin Sack, Chairman; George L. Armour, Joseph I. Lubin, Arthur Ochs and Nelson Ruttenberg.

Law Committee: Harold H. Levin, Chairman; Samuel Allan, Hon. Abraham N. Geller, Saul Godwin, Joseph Howard Katz, Col. Melvin L. Krulewitch, I. B. Oseas, Irving Rosen, Sidney Silberman and Harry J. Sokolow.

Liaison Committee with the Pulpit: Sanford H. Cohen, Chairman of the Board; Victor Herwitz, Benjamin Sack and Archie Thurman.

Membership Committee: Ezra Cohen, Chairman; Dudley Greenstein, Harry Halbren, Joseph Howard Katz, Arthur Ochs, Asa Sokolow, Harry J. Sokolow.

Ritual Committee: Archie Thurman, Chairman; Sanford H. Cohen, Chairman of the Board; Solomon Green, Isidor Hahn. Joseph Howard Katz, Jacob Klein. I. B. Oseas, Sidney Silberman and Harry J. Sokolow, with Rabbi Simon Noveck and Cantor David J. Putterman as advisory members.

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College Youth Group Organized by Rabbi

An organizing meeting of a new College Youth Group for sons and daughters of members of the Synagogue was held at the home of Irwin Spiegel on Sunday, April 11. Initiative in organizing the group was taken by Irwin Spiegel and Marcia Gellert, in cooperation with Rabbi Noveck. The purpose of this group is to provide a social and philanthropic outlet for the younger members of the Congregation of college age, or recent college graduates.

Plans were made for the first social evening to be held on Saturday, May 8, at the home of Hannah Salomon, 465 West End Avenue. Those interested in this group contact Irwin Spiegel or Marcia Gellert at the Synagogue.

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Help Stabilize Economy In Israel Through UJA

The words "Scorpion Pass" and the date of March 17, have become household phrases of horror to countless Jews all over the world. The murder of the eleven men, women and children in the bus on the main highway through the Negev to Elath has piled extra tension on the already critical situation in Israel.

This Arab-pattern of ambush and massacre is all too well known. Their determination to destroy Israel by economic and political pressures imposes additional burdens on our over-burdened people.

It imposes, too, an even greater responsibility on us to make the 1954 United Jewish Appeal campaign a success. Only through economic stability can Israel win peace from the Arabs.

Mazel Tov

TO Mr. and Mrs. Samson Hittner on the Marriage of their daughter, Natalie Joy to Mr. Joseph Martin Brook.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Samuel G. Fredman on the Birth of their son, Andrew David, April 7.

TO Mr and Mrs. Louis I. Heller on the Birth of their son, Martin Seymour, April 6, and to his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Heller and Mrs. Ada Strasburger, and to his great grandmothers, Mrs. Frieda Davidson and Mrs. Mathilda Heller.

Committees

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Helpern, Mrs. Victor Herwitz, Edward Kaye, Nelson Ruttenberg, Mrs. Stanley Simon, Bernard Weintraub, Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer and Mrs. Alice Troudin Zismor.

Ushering Committee: Dudley Greenstein, Chairman; Robert Barzilay, Louis Heller, Milton Heller, Julian Jacobs, M. D. Millheiser, Arthur Ochs, Bernard Prensky, Dr. Marvin Robinson, and Dr. S. L. Winnick.

Membership on the Adult Education Committee, House Committee and Committee for Cornerstone Laying and Dedication of the Steinberg Memorial Building will be announced in the next issue of the BULLETIN. On the latter committee, Sanford H. Cohen, Chairman of the Board, has appointed Judge Bernard Botein as Chairman.

SCHOOL NEWS

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL RE-OPENS
Hebrew Department
Monday, April 26
Primary Department
Sunday, May 2

Beginning April 26, the Hebrew Department of the Religious School will hold its mid-week sessions at Kehilath Jeshurun, 125 East 85 Street, between Park and Lexington Avenues. The transfer of the classes during the months of May and June will make the vestry of the synagogue available to the builders for an extensive program of rebuilding and redecorating. The congregation and the Religious School are grateful to Rabbi Joseph Lookstein, of Kehilath Jeshurun, who has permitted the use of his facilities by our students.

The Primary Department of the Religious School will continue to conduct its Sunday morning sessions in our own synagogue. A special program of individual class instruction and school instruction based upon a series of film strips has been prepared for the students.

Honor Roll

The faculty of the Religious School has inscribed the names of the following students of the Hebrew Department on the Honor Roll for general excellence in Hebrew Studies:

Hebrew 1A—Peter Betcher, Tomi Deutsch, Judy Linn, Jeffrey Mehlman, Daniel Ritey, Eric Shullman, Renee Stern.

Hebrew 1B—Jonathan Charnas, Peggy Crain, Richard Danzig, Elisa Kaufman, Jonathan Ostriker, Martha Stein, David Weisberg, Pamela Weprin.

Hebrew 2A—Charles Kaiser, Richard Nalin.

Hebrew 2B — Joel Grantz, David Kann, Randall Weingarten.

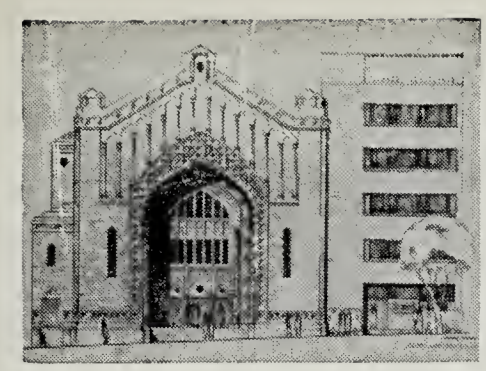
Hebrew 3A — Phyllis Brody, Jon Waldman.

Hebrew 3B—David Reichman, John Stangel, Joseph Weintraub, Elliot Zucker.

Hebrew 4—Susan Jacobs, Alan Mehlman.

Two Members Convalescent

A speedy recovery is wished to Saul Ritter and Dr. Harold M. Weinberg who are convalescing from recent illness.



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LIGHT SABBATH CANDLES
Friday, May 14, at 6:48 P.M. (D.S.T.)
Friday, May 21, at 6:54 P.M. (D.S.T.)
Friday, May 28, at 7:00 P.M. (D.S.T.)

Cornerstone Committee Appointments Revealed

Sanford H. Cohen, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, has announced the appointment of the Committee for Cornerstone Laying and Dedication of the Milton Steinberg Memorial Building. The chairman of the committee will be Hon. Bernard Botein. Members include: Nathan Appleman, Isidore M. Cohen, Sanford H. Cohen, Fredrick Finn, Saul Godwin, Hon. Samuel M. Gold, Joseph Howard Katz, Jacob Klein, Samuel Lemberg, Evelyn Lubin, Benjamin Sack, Edith Steinberg and Milton Weill.

This committee will submit a plan for the ceremonies of Cornerstone Laying and Dedication to the Board of Trustees at its next meeting, Thursday, May 13.

Cantor David Putterman Honored; Over $400,000 Given at UJA Brunch

In a moving ceremony in which the members of the Park Avenue Synagogue paid tribute to their distinguished Cantor, David J. Putterman, Sanford H. Cohen, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, presented a testimonial scroll to him in recognition of his many years of devoted effort in behalf of the Jewish people. The ceremony took place at the synagogue's annual brunch for the United Jewish Appeal on April 11, at the Hotel Croydon.

Over $400,000 was pledged to the UJA by 80 guests who responded with the utmost generosity to the appeal of Dr. Ruth Gruber, noted author and foreign correspondent, "for maximum aid to Israel at this time of great crisis for our fellow Jews in Israel." At Dr. Gruber's request the sum of $2,050, over and above the regular contributions, was obtained for the purpose of transporting Jewish refugees from Arab lands to Israel in a plane to be named after Cantor and Mrs. Putterman.

Campaign chairman, Dr. Harold A. Osserman expressed his thanks to the guests for their sympathetic support of the UJA and also announced that the committee would continue their efforts until they had secured gifts from the other members of the synagogue.

Dr. Osserman also stated that he was grateful to Gustave Yuder for his fine

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday Evening, May 14 ..... 6:00 P.M.
Saturday Morning, May 15 ..... 9:45 A.M.

Bar Mitzvah of Michael Anthony Slote

Rabbi Noveck will preach

Friday Evening, May 21 ..... 6:00 P.M.
Saturday Morning, May 22 ..... 9:45 A.M.

Rabbi Noveck will preach

During the months of May and June and throughout the summer, Friday Evening Services will be held at 6:00 P.M. Rabbi Noveck and Cantor Putterman will officiate at Services during May and June and Cantor Friedman will conduct the Services during July and August.

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Rabbi Noveck Speaks In Our Community

Rabbi Noveck has been invited to deliver a major address at the forthcoming Convention of the Rabbinical Assembly of America, to be held from May 17 through May 20 at the Summit Hotel, Uniontown, Pennsylvania. The Rabbinical Assembly is composed of 500 Conservative rabbis of America, all of whom are graduates of the Jewish Theological Seminary or are officially part of the Conservative Movement.

On Monday, April 5, Rabbi Noveck was one of the guest speakers in a Symposium on "Jewish Family Solidarity," sponsored by the Asbury Park Section of the National Council of Jewish Women, and on April 29 addressed the assembly of Brooklyn Women's organizations at the Hotel St. George.

He spoke at the Silver Anniversary Convention of the National Federation of Men's Clubs, meeting at the Concord Hotel in Kiamesha, New York on May 3, on the topic "Judaism and the World of Business." Delegates from the Park Avenue Synagogue Men's Club to the Convention were: Messrs. Jacob Boorstein, Milton Sivek and Dr. Sol Winnick.

The Building Committee announces that it has retained the services of the well known interior designer Eleanor Pepper for the purpose of choosing equipment and appointments for the new building and enlarged Vestry, so that the decor of the entire construction will be outstanding.

UJA Chairman Sends Report from Morocco

Excerpts from a letter sent by Mrs. A. Louis Oresman, Chairman, Advisory Board, to Mrs. Albert S. Liebers, Director, Women's Division.

Morocco was fantastic . . . let me tell you about the Jewish quarter of Casablanca and Marrakech. No words can convey the degradation of the Mellah—you have to see it and smell it. Can you imagine a human being living in a dog kennel? That's the size of some of the human habitations. Or picture a sixteen year old Jewish boy living in a village in the valley of the glorious snow-clad Atlas Mountains . . . who never can feast his eyes on the exquisite beauty that surrounds him. Why? The JDC arrived too late to save his sight.

The three T's—tinea, trachoma and tuberculosis—curse the Jews in Morocco. They are caused by poverty and the horrors that poverty breeds—filth, malnutrition and apathy.

But the great work of Joint Distribution Committee surprised and enchanted me. To visit the schools, the dispensaries, the religious schools, the agricultural and vocational set-ups and the feeding stations, is to make the heart glad. It is as if you were taking an elevator that lifted you from the fifth to the twentieth century. Eyes to the blind, health for the disabled, knowledge to the illiterate, and most of all—shedding human kindness—that is JDC.

But some are neglected—there is not enough money to care for all the children in the Mellah. There would be if more Americans could see the horror—and then the hope. I yearned to tell our women what I had seen, for I felt sure they would respond with added contributions. Tell them to take my word—that what our money is doing for the despised and poverty-stricken of the Mellah is wonderful.

Egon Fink, the dynamic, warm JDC worker who guided us, stopped a little girl. She looked clean and smiling, proud of her ribboned hair. She was a pupil of the Alliance School, coming home to the Mellah. He asked her name and I was shocked to hear that my maiden name was hers. Of Sephardic origin, she had landed after centuries in the Mellah, while I—All men are brothers—could I have had a better example?

Tell the women to give more, especially the leadership who have hearts and understanding.

SCHOOL NEWS

Registration Month

The Jewish Education Committee has designated this month as REGISTRATION MONTH. During the month, Religious schools in the Metropolitan area will register all new children who will be coming to the school in September, 1954.

The Park Avenue Synagogue Religious School educational program provides for:

PRIMARY DEPARTMENT for children from the ages of 6 through 9. The school, which meets on Sunday morning, aims to familiarize the child with Judaism; its history and its cultural expressions. It develops within him a sense of loyalty and pride in Judaism.

HEBREW DEPARTMENT for children from the ages of 9 through 15. The school, which meets on two afternoons and on Saturday mornings, aims to prepare the child for an active and constructive participation in Jewish life. Instruction in Hebrew, Bible, history, customs and ceremonies and religious worship in the Junior Congregation develop in the child an understanding of the religious concepts, the ethical values and the ritual forms of Judaism.

BAR MITZVAH and BAS MITZVAH for the boys and girls at the age of 13. In accordance with the recommendations of the United Synagogue Commission on Education, a minimum of three years instruction in the Hebrew Department is required for Bar Mitzvah and Bas Mitzvah in the Park Avenue Synagogue.

CONFIRMATION for the boys and girls of 15. This solemn and inspiring ritual which takes place at *Shavuoth* is the culmination of the formal educational program.

The Religious School office will be open every afternoon after 3:00 P.M. for the REGISTRATION OF NEW STUDENTS. Parents are urged to begin the Jewish education of their children on the Primary School level so that the child may benefit from a full and rich, religious experience.

Do not delay! Enroll today!

Parents Elect Officers At "Family Party Night"

The final meeting of the Parents Association was held on the evening of April 14, in the Park Avenue Synagogue. The Vestry was attractively decorated under the supervision of Mrs. Stanley Simon and Mrs. A. Stangel and their committee.

The affair was appropriately called "Family Party Night", and was attended by many parents and their youngsters. Mrs. Herman Helpern. President of the Parents Association, cordially greeted those present, and, after the business part of the meeting was completed, turned over the entertainment program to Peter Bienstock, a student of the Religious School, who acted as Master of Ceremonies. Peter did a fine job as M.C. and had the situation well in hand. The youngsters were most enthusiastic in their appreciative applause of the performances throughout the evening.

Members of Boy Scout Troop No. 600, sponsored by the Parents Association of the Park Avenue Synagogue, participated in the festivities, as well as representatives of the Girl Scout Troop, who inducted several new initiates into the Troop in an interesting ceremony.

"Peter Pan, the Magic Man", as Professor Abraham B. Hurwitz is often called, delighted the audience with his many magic tricks, and ended his entertaining performance to the joy of the children by even producing a live rabbit. His talented daughter also presented a ventriloquist act which proved her unusual theatrical ability.

Irving Davidson, the well-known humorist, entertained the audience with stories of Jewish wit and humor. Many present remembered Mr. Davidson as a former principal of the Religious School under the late Rabbi Milton Steinberg.

Ice cream, cookies and punch were served under the supervision of Mrs. Aaron Schoenbaum and her committee.

The following officers and members of the Executive Board were elected for 1954-1955. This slate of officers was recommended by Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer, on behalf of the Nominating Committee:

President, Mrs. Herman Helpern; Chairman of Exec. Bd., Mrs. Harry Zucker; Vice-Presidents, Mrs. George Heyman, Mrs. Stanley Simon, Mrs. Adolph Stangel; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Hector Ritey; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Leon Klein; and Treasurer, Mrs. Nelson Ruttenberg.

Members of the Executive Board are Mrs. Abram Blau and Mrs. Henry Howe, Honorary Members; Mrs. Sam Deutsch, Mrs. Bruno Foa, Mrs. Emil Forster, Mrs. I. E. Gevirtz, Mrs. Bernard Grauer, Mrs. William Halpern, Mrs. J. J. Hoexter, Mrs. Meyer Kaplan, Mr. Edward Kaye, Mr. Leon Klein, Mrs. Paul Miller, Mrs. Joseph Pincus, Mrs. Joseph Rubinstein, Mrs. Aaron Schoenbaum, Mrs. Albert Seigel, Mrs. Michael Stowe, Mrs. Hugh Strauss, Mr. Bernard Weintraub and Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer.

The Parents Association wishes to express its appreciation to Mrs. Bernard Grauer, chairman of Class Mothers, and to her splendid group of Class Mothers, for their excellent work in making the recent holidays more meaningful and inspirational to the children. At all functions of the Religious School and at all holiday festivities, the Class Mothers took an active part in planning and supervising parties. Among these were the annual *Chanukah* celebrations, the *Purim* parties and the Passover service. Mrs. Stanley Simon, Mrs. A. Stangel and Mrs. J. Pincus deserve a vote of thanks for their holiday workshops which featured fine demonstrations of the traditional costumes, food, games, as well as pamphlets on the home observance of these festivals.

Mazel Tov

TO Cantor David Putterman on his Birthday, May 29.

TO Dr. Milton Helpern on his appointment as Chief Medical Examiner of New York.

TO Mr. and Mrs. David Trenk on the Birth of a son, and to his grandmother, Mrs. Tubie Resnick.

TO Dr. and Mrs. Douglas Smiley on the Birth of a daughter and to her grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Gross.

TO Mrs. Edith Steinberg on her appointment as Director of University Relations for Brandeis University, New York office, 270 Park Avenue.

Federation Honors Weill With Testimonial Dinner

A testimonial dinner was tendered to Milton Weill on April 14, 1954, at the Hotel Plaza, upon his retirement as President of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies of New York.

More than 500 business, industrial, civic and community leaders attended the dinner to honor Mr. Weill, former Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Park Avenue Synagogue, for his leadership of 116 member health and welfare agencies of Federation, which annually serve 575,000 New Yorkers of all races and faiths. As a gift to Mr. Weill, a group of friends established a $1,000 scholarship fund in his name with the privilege of determining the manner in which it will be distributed. An inscribed gold desk clock was also presented to Mr. Weill.

In a message read at the dinner, Governor Thomas E. Dewey said that Mr. Weill's "administration of the office of the president of Federation will have left a permanent impression on the progress of medicine and human welfare in New York City. Our community is the richer for having had the benefit of his devoted services."

Senator Herbert H. Lehman said that he derived " great satisfaction in honoring Milton Weill, who has served not only Federation, but many other charitable and civic activities with rare devotion and ability for many years. He has placed the community under a great debt of gratitude to him, which I am very happy is recognized, in small part, by this dinner in his honor."

In his presidential farewell, after serving as president of Federation for three years, Mr. Weill thanked the community for the cooperation his administration had received. He predicted that Federation in the years ahead would play an even greater role in strengthening community services. He envisioned an increase in the number of contributors to the organization and an increase in the number of Jewish-sponsored agencies coming under the banner of Federation. Presently Federation maintains agencies providing 85 per cent of all medical and welfare work performed by Jewish voluntary agencies in New York City. He said that this would make for a stronger, more united community, better able to cope with the health and wel-

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Men's Club Will Elect At Dinner Meeting

The Men's Club is closing the current season of activities with a gala dinner meeting, on Tuesday, May 25, at the Hotel Olcott, 27 West 72nd Street. At this, the Annual Meeting, the election and installation of the new officers and directors for the coming year will take place.

Featured for the evening will be a full course kosher dinner, drinks and entertainment. Those men who attended last year's Annual Meeting and Dinner will remember the enjoyable, sociable time had by all. This year the plans are for an even better evening.

Young Marrieds Hear Religious School Head

Martin Leichtling, Principal of the Park Avenue Synagogue Religious School, addressed the May meeting of the Young Marrieds on Tuesday evening, May 4, at the Y.M.H.A. at Lexington Avenue and 92nd Street at 8:30 P.M.

Mr. Leichtling spoke on the subject "What's New in Jewish Education" and brought with him examples of the materials used by modern Jewish educators today.

There was also a short business meeting which included a discussion of the proposed by-laws for the group.

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Seminary TV Series Continues Thru May

The Seminary is again producing a series of television programs. These telecasts, based on various aspects of Jewish history and culture, are being presented on the first four Sundays in May by the NBC-TV network as part of its "Frontiers of Faith" series from 1:30-2:00 P.M., EST. They are planned as follows:

Sunday, May 2 — "Waldemar Haffkine" by Morton Wishengrad—the story of the discovery of an anticholera vaccine by a scientist who was also a Jew.

Sunday, May 9 — "The Camel and I" by Morton Wishengrad. The gently humorous career of a violinist finding his place on the land in a new Israeli settlement.

Sunday, May 16 — "The Sayings of the Fathers", a dramatic reading, written by Sylvia Berger.

Sunday, May 23 — "A Story of the Warsaw Ghetto", written by Norman Lessing in commemoration of the eleventh anniversary of this tragic episode.

Weill Dinner

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fare problems and needs of all people in the community.

Mr. Weill has devoted more than thirty years in philanthropic and community activities. A vice-president of the Greater New York Fund, he is also a member of the Board of Directors of the United Service Organizations, a member of the Board of Trustees of the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, and a vice-president of the National Jewish Welfare Board. Upon his retirement as president of Federation, he was elected an honorary trustee-at-large for life.

Despite his many activities, Mr. Weill, has continued to serve as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Park Avenue Synagogue and to give to the Synagogue the benefit of his wide experience and mature judgment. It is with great pride that we join in this well deserved tribute to one of our own active members.

Sisterhood Elections, Birthday, Set for May

Sisterhood's final meeting of the year will be held on Tuesday, May 18, at 1 P.M. The culmination of the year's activities will be a birthday party and installation of officers, a gala event, to be held at the Hotel Croydon.

The new slate of officers is as follows: President, Mrs. William Karmiol; Vice-Presidents, Mrs. Saul Grannets, Mrs. Irwin Rome, Mrs. Benjamin Sack, Mrs. Harry Sokolow; Treasurer, Mrs. Dorothy Gellert; Financial Secretary, Mrs. Mortimer Millheiser; Recording Secretary, Mrs. David Altschul; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Maurice Manheimer; and Chaplain, Mrs. Sigmund Siegel.

New Executive Board Members (for one year) are Mrs. George Lyttle, Mrs. Joseph Howard Katz, Mrs. Jacob Klein, Mrs. Jacob Starr, Mrs. Mitchell Leventhal and Mrs. Milton Sivek.

UJA Brunch

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cooperation and declared that he was especially pleased to see such outstanding leaders of the UJA as Theodore Racoosin, Tubie Resnick and Samuel Lemberg present at the affair.

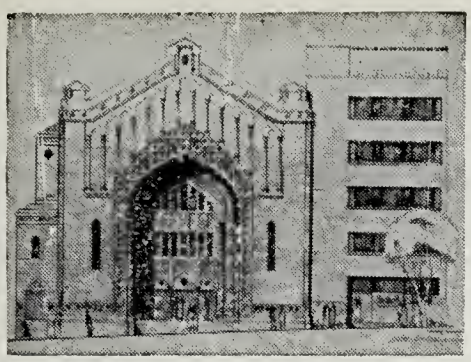
The text of the scroll to Cantor Putterman was as follows: "The United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York pays grateful tribute to Cantor David J. Putterman, whose devotion and generosity have done so much to help homeless, oppressed and poverty-stricken Jews find liberty and the chance for a better life in Israel and other democratic lands, and whose zeal and leadership have given inspiration to all those who are concerned for the welfare and freedom of their fellow men."

Yiskor Elohim

LEOPOLD FREIRICH
brother of Mrs. Ida Daub
and Mrs. Belle Rose

DR. E. DAVID SHORT
step-father of Dr. Marvin Robinson

HENRIETTA BUNZL
sister of Charles Berns



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Five Students to Have Spring Bar Mitzvah

During the latter part of May and June, five students will celebrate their Bar Mitzvahs and Bas Mitzvah.

On May 29, Theodore Pincus, son of Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Pincus will celebrate his Bar Mitzvah. Leonard Popkin, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Popkin will be Bar Mitzvah on June 5.

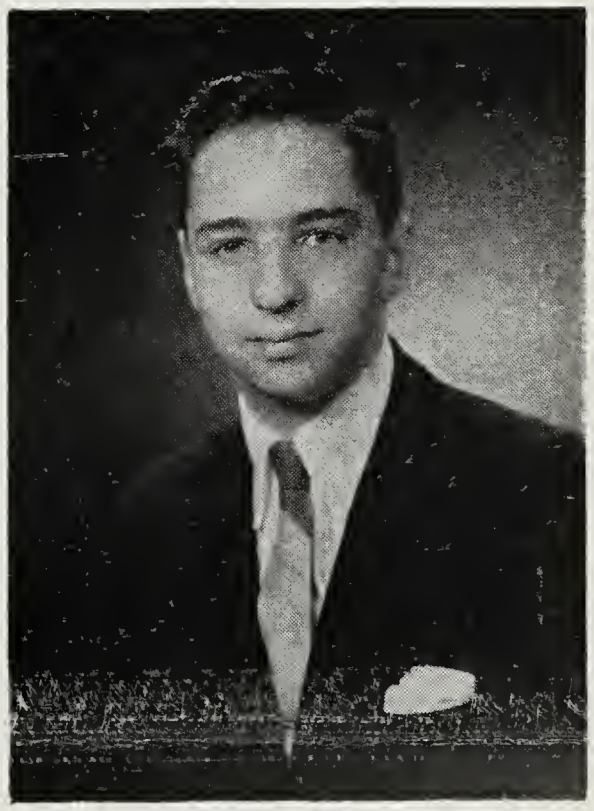
Ellen Wimpfheimer, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer, will celebrate her Bas Mitzvah on Saturday morning, June 12. On June 19, Stephen Stowe, son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Stowe, and on June 26, John Jeffrey Stangel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Stangel, will celebrate their Bar Mitzvahs.

Confirmation Service to be Part of Annual Shavuoth Services, June 7

The annual Confirmaton and Graduation exercises of the Religious School will be held on Monday, June 7, as part of the *Shavuoth* services. Eight students who have fulfilled the requirements for confirmation will be presented to the congregation for certification. Six of the confirmands will, also, be granted diplomas of graduation from the five-year course in the Hebrew Department of the Religious School.

LIGHT SABBATH CANDLES

Friday, June 4, at 7:06 P.M. (D.S.T.)
Friday, June 11, at 7:10 P.M. (D.S.T.)
Friday, June 18, at 7:12 P.M. (D.S.T.)
Friday, June 25, at 7:14 P.M. (D.S.T.)



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The confirmands, in addition to continuing their Hebrew language work during the year, have studied the Jewish literature written since the Bible. The class, also, devoted much time to the Book of Job and the problem of good and evil. The Book of Jeremiah served as a basis for a study of the concept of prophecy and a comparison of the teaching of other prophets with those of Jeremiah.

The members of the Confirmation Class will actively participate in the *Shavuoth* services. They will read from the Scriptures, present an explanation of

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Saturday Morning, May 29 ..... 9:45 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Theodore Pincus
Rabbi Noveck will preach

Friday Evening, June 4 ..... 6:00 P.M.
Saturday Morning, June 5 ..... 9:45 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Leonard Popkin
Rabbi Noveck will preach

SHAVUOTH SERVICES

First Evening, Sunday, June 6 ..... 6:00 P.M.
First Morning, Monday, June 7 ..... 9:30 A.M.

CONFIRMATION SERVICE

Second Evening, Monday, June 7 ..... 6:00 P.M.
Second Morning, Tuesday, June 8 ..... 9:30 A.M.

YISKOR (MEMORIAL) SERVICES
Rabbi Noveck will preach

During the month of June and throughout the summer, Friday Evening Services will be held at 6:00 P.M. Rabbi Noveck and Cantor Putterman will officiate at Services during June and Cantor Friedman will conduct the Services during July and August.

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Shavuoth Yesterday and Today

By Rabbi Asher Block

Little Neck Jewish Center

(Condensed from article issued by United Synagogue)

In studying the history of Judaism, one readily observes that, at various stages, it has undergone great and important changes. These changes enabled it to adjust to new conditions and made for continuous survival. The story of *Shavuoth* is most illustrative of the progressive development of our religion from earliest times to the present day.

Our story begins with the original account found in Leviticus, 23. The convocation referred to in that passage is that of the festival *Shavuoth*. It is one of the three Pilgrimage Festivals of the Jewish calendar.

Shavuoth, literally "weeks" is so called because of the seven weeks' counting. Hence, it is known as the "Feast of Weeks."

It seems that the entire period between Passover and Pentecost was one long harvest season, beginning with the barley which ripened first, and ending with the wheat. The harvest season may actually have taken seven weeks, or this number may have been deliberately chosen, since it has a peculiar significance for our ancestors. Sabbath was the seventh day; *Sh'mitah*, the Sabattical, on the fiftieth year. Moreover, the Biblical Festivals are seven in number: *Sabbath, Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, Pesach, Shavuoth, Sukkoth, and Sh'mini Atzeres;* and they all occur during the first seven months, with the seventh month monopolizing four of them.

As to the offering of first fruits, historians inform us that this custom might have been borrowed from the Canaanites. At first, the Israelites were a wandering, pastoral people, but when they settled Canaan they turned to agriculture. Now, it was the custom of the Canaanites and similar ancient tribes to offer the first portion of their produce to the gods, probably to solicit their good graces for the coming year. The Israelites seemed to adopt this practice along with their new agriculture, but instead of offering the first-fruits to the tribal gods, they offered them to the God of Israel.

As a result the ritual took on advanced religious meaning and ethical value. During the time of the Temple, the bringing of the first-fruits was a very beautiful and impressive ceremony and there is every indication that our ancestors had a wholesome appreciation of beauty and nature. And as time went on, this ceremony became more formalized and also more spiritualized.

With the destruction of the Temple and the dispersion that followed, the Jews ceased to be an agricultural people. Logically, the agricultural holidays should have ceased as well. But somehow the Jews refused to be logical; they refused to let their festivals die.

Almost unconsciously they began to think of *Shavuoth* in different terms. The emphasis gradually shifted from the natural to historical aspects of the festival. The incident which they ascribed to *Shavuoth* was the giving of the Decalogue on Mount Sinai. This was a plausible narrative which introduces the Ten Commandments shortly after the Exodus from Egypt. Moreover, this juxtaposition lent itself to inspiring homiletics. It was pointed out that mere physical freedom is worthless without spiritual emancipation to give it meaning.

The Torah was so dear to our ancestors that they conceived of it as a wedding-ring with which God has betrothed them to Himself. In this light, they pictured their early days in the Wilderness as a period of courtship, and their later acts of transgression as those of a wife unfaithful to her husband. In this spirit, too, they interpreted Solomon's Song of Songs as a love-dialogue between God and Israel. To our ancestors of old there was no greater love than their love for God and His Torah.

Their devotion showed itself in yet another and more concrete manner. It was their custom to bring a young child to *Heder* or Hebrew School for the first time on *Shavuoth*. There he would be given candies and sweets, to indicate to him how pleasant it is to study Torah, and there his parents dedicated his life to the pursuit of learning.

It is to be expected that *Shavuoth*—a Torah Festival—should enjoy or suffer the fate of Torah generally. And this was, in truth, the case. At a time such as during the Middle Ages, when the study of Torah was in its prime, this Holiday naturally called forth a full measure of religious inspiration. But then, toward the end of the eighteenth century, came the period of Enlightenment and Emancipation. Political, economic, social and cultural conditions were basically changed. Torah then ceased to be at a premium and Jews turned hungrily to the new world which was unfolding about them. Old loyalties weakened and Jewish festivals lost their former appeal.

It soon became evident that Jewish life was facing an unprecedented situation, and that unless proper and immediate adjustment were made, even as in the time of the Destruction of the Temple, Jewish values would be seriously endangered.

The first to attempt such adjustment were the Reformists, who radically revised traditional ideology and ritual. The measure of their success is a matter of debate. However, with regard to *Shavuoth*, one cannot overlook a worthwhile contribution which the Reform movement has made to Jewish life—the Confirmation Service.

Confirmation is the initiation of Jewish youth into the faith. Boys had always been "Bar Mitzvah," but girls were confirmed for the first time in Berlin in 1817. At first, like most innovations, it met with opposition, but soon it became an established *Shavuoth* ceremony in Reformed congregations.

In America, confirmation exercises were introduced through Temple Emanu-El, and other congregations in New York, around 1850. Since that time, most Conservative and other progressive synagogues have adopted this impressive ceremony.

Confirmation was the first official recognition of women as members of the synagogue.

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SCHOOL NEWS

Registration

Registration of new students for the Primary and Hebrew Departments of the Religious School for the school year beginning in September 1954 may be made any afternoon in the school office during the month of May and June. Parents are urged to register their children immediately because the size of classes is limited.

Students. who now attend the Religous School. need not re-enroll for the new school year. These students will be informed by letter of their promotion to the next grade in the school.

Annual May Service

The Junior Congregation of the Religious School held its Annual May Service in the synagogue on May 22. The entire Sabbath service was conducted by the boys and girls of the school. The ability of the students was pleasing to the older members of the congregation and satisfying to the members of the faculty.

The following students actively participated in the service: Peter Bienstock, Cecily Falkenstein, Susan Jacobs, Steven Kohn, Alan Mehlman, David Reichman, Kenneth Rosen, Carl Shullman, John Stangel, Joseph Weintraub, John Wolfe and Elliot Zucker.

Annual Awards

At the conclusion of the school year, the Religious School, in cooperation with the Board of Education of the Metropolitan Council of United Synagogue of America, will present awards to the students of the Hebrew Department for achievement, Attendance and Junior Congregation. These awards are eagerly sought for by students in congregational schools throughout the metropolitan area.

Closing Exercises

The Primary Department of the Religious School held its closing exercises in the Synagogue, on Sunday, May 23. The morning's program was highlighted by the showing of movies, the distribution of awards for scholarship and attendance, the partaking of refreshments and the exchanges of farewells and good wishes for the summer among students and teachers.

Mazel Tov

TO Dr. and Mrs. Robert Gilbert on the Birth of a son.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Sack on the Marriage of their daughter, Jean to Gene Wollan, June 6.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Ginsberg on their 52nd Wedding Anniversary, June 7.

TO Mrs. Charles Weill on her 86th Birthday, June 13.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Harry Greenwald on their 40th Wedding Anniversary, June 7.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Duke Manacher on their 20th Wedding Anniversary, June 13.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Max Gibson on their 40th Wedding Anniversary, June 14.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Harold H. Levin on their 30th Wedding Anniversary, June 15.

TO Mr. and Mrs. William Halpern on their 10th Wedding Anniversary, June 24.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Henry Krinsky on their 40th Wedding Anniversary, June 28.

TO Mr. and Mrs. William Frankel on the Marriage of their son, Andrew John, to Jeanne Bates, May 28, at the Park Avenue Synagogue.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Arkin on the Birth of a grandson, Steven Gary Gerdsen.

This is the last issue of BULLETIN until September. We would like to take this opportunity to wish you an enjoyable summer. See you in 5715!

THE STAFF

The Hebrew Department will continue to hold classes through the second week in June.

New School Building

In September 1954, the Religious School will conduct its classes in the new Milton Steinberg Memorial Building. Students will be informed by mail of the exact dates for the opening of the new school year.

Parents are urged to register NEW students in the Religious School, now.

Confirmation

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their readings and deliver a series of papers on "Judaism as a Way of Life."

Victor J. Herwitz, chairman of the School Board, will present the confirmands with certificates, diplomas, bibles, which are a gift from Sisterhood, and a series of cash prizes offered by Jacob Klein, the President of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

Milton Sivek, on behalf of the Men's Club, will present a Youth Leadership Award to Eugene Roth, Jr. The award, a silver medal and certificate, is given for outstanding scholarship, character, service and leadership. Eugene is a regular attendant at Friday and Saturday morning services and, during the summer, attends Camp Ramah, one of the three camps sponsored by the United Synagogue of America. These camps emphasize a program of Hebrew study and Jewish living in addition to all of the usual camp activities.

The following students have fulfilled all the requirements for Confirmation: Michael Borenstein, Cecily Falkenstein, Carolyn Fox, Michael Rosenbloom, Eugene Roth, Jr., Marilyn Schneider, Hugh Strauss and Susan Wimpfheimer.

College Youth Group to hold Cocktail Party on June 20

The newly formed College Youth Group is planning a Spring Cocktail Party to be held on Sunday, June 20. Invitations will go out shortly to sons and daughters of members of the Synagogue of college age and recent graduates.

All those who are interested in joining this group, and who are not sure they are on the mailing list, are requested to write to either Irwin Spiegel or Marcia Gellert, care of the Synagogue.

Shavuoth Holiday

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An altogether different kind of development is at present taking place in Palestine. There it has been possible to revive the agricultural observance of the Holiday as well. The modern harvest bears its *Bikkurim* once again, as in the days of yore. Thus, with ever new and creative applications of the hallowed spirit of this Festival, our story does not really come to a close.

Young Marrieds Plan June Election Meeting

The Young Marrieds will hold their final meeting of the year on Tuesday evening, June 8, at the home of Harry Sokolow, 1225 Park Avenue, at 8:30 P.M.

The Nominating Committee, with William Riemer, Chairman, and including: Dr. Marvin Robinson, Dr. Nathan Schifrin, Sidney Silberman and Asa Sokolow, has submitted its slate of nominations for officers.

President, Samuel Fredman; Vice-President, Fred Krones; Secretary, Mrs. Nathan Schifrin; Treasurer, Dudley Greenstein.

Executive Board Members will be Louis Heller, Seymour Finkelstein and Mrs. Donald Schlesinger. Following elections and installation, there will be a social hour and refreshments. All members are invited to attend this meeting.

If you wish the names of your departed memorialized, please fill in the enclosed card and return to the Synagogue office.

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Sisterhood Celebrates Birthday, Installation At Final May Meeting

A gala birthday party and installation on Tuesday, May 18, marked the close of this season's Sisterhood meetings. Jacob Klein, President of the Synagogu, installed the new slate of officers, which is as follows: President, Mrs. William Karmiol; Vice-Presidents, Mrs. Saul Grannets, Mrs. Irwin Rome, Mrs. Benjamin Sack and Mrs. Harry Sokolow; Treasurer, Mrs. Dorothy Gellert; Financial Secretary, Mrs. Mortimer Millheiser; Recording Secretary, Mrs. David Altschul; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Maurice Manheimer; and Chaplain, Mrs. Sigmund Siegel.

New Executive Board Members (for one year) are Mrs. George Lyttle, Mrs. Joseph Howard Katz, Mrs. Jacob Klein, Mrs. Jacob Starr, Mrs. Mitchell Leventhal, and Mrs. Milton Sivek.

Mr. Klein, before installing the officers, remarked:

". . . it is a wonderful sight to see so many ladies attending this meeting, the object of which is to further the best interests of the Park Avenue Synagogue, and on behalf of the Officers, Chairman and members of the Board, I want to thank you most warmly for being present.

The Sisterhood is one of the arms of the Park Avenue Synagogue. It is the right arm, and we have had occasion often, to lean heavily on that arm, and it has always shown itself strong enough to give wonderful support to the main organization. Let us hope that it will continue along those lines for all time to come."

Although there will be no meetings during the summer, the work of Sisterhood will not cease. Plans are being made for next season's Brunch and Theatre Party, which will be held on Wednesday, December 8. Mrs. Tubie Resnick, Chairman of the Committee, has announced that the grand prize will be a trip to Florida for two.

$60 worth of ads sold will entitle the seller to a ticket to the Brunch and Theatre Party. Members can start working now to help make this affair a tremendous success.

Men's Club Installs New Officers for '54

The Men's Club closed its season with a most enjoyable dinner and meeting on Tuesday, May 25, held at the Hotel Olcott. The proceedings were opened with the reading of the invocation by Jacob Klein, President of the Congregation, and Cantor David J. Putterman conducted the grace before and after the meal.

Former Men's Club President Joseph Howard Katz was the toastmaster for the evening and Rabbi Simon Noveck installed the officers who had been elected for the coming year as well as the new members of the Board of Directors. They are as follows: President, Milton M. Sivek; First Vice President, Jacob W. Boorstein; Second Vice President, Charles Bennet; Recording Secretary, Dr. Sigmund Siegel; Corresponding Secretary, Louis I. Heller; Treasurer, Lawrence A. Meyers.

Directors for a 3-year term, expiring 1957 will be: Harry A. Dubin, James J. Liebman, Monroe H. Heyward and Archie Thurman.

Director for a 1-year term, expiring 1955: Dr. A. Irwin Grantz.

The Youth Leadership Award, consisting of a certificate and medal, given annually to an outstanding student in the Religious School by the Men's Club, will be presented by President Sivek to Eugene Roth, Jr., at the *Shavuoth* services on June 7. Further information regarding this award can be found elsewhere in the BULLETIN.

To all members of the Men's Club and their families, as well as the entire congregation, our wishes for a healthy and enjoyable summer. We look forward to your joining with us in our activities in the Fall in the new and enlarged facilities.

Yiskor Elohim

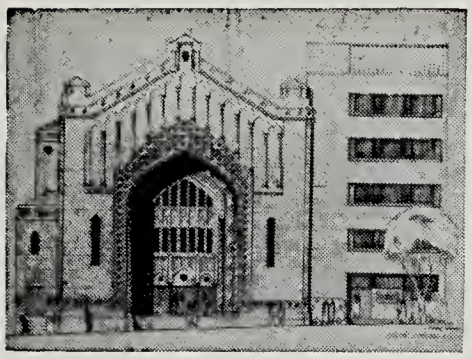
ISRAEL BENOWITZ
father of Charles Bennet

RAY GODWIN
mother of Saul Godwin

HERMAN KRASNOW
brother of Mrs. Moe Turman

HATTIE WEINBERGER
sister of Bertha Davidson

DEDICATION AND NEW YEAR'S ISSUE



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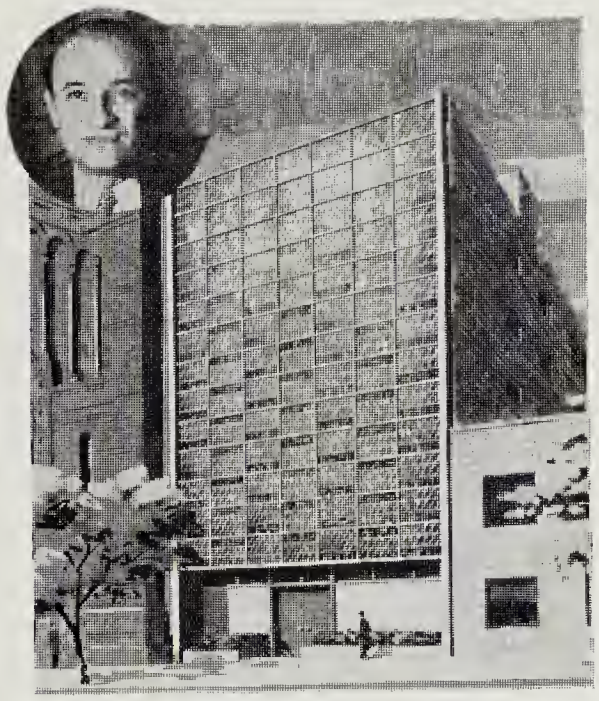
High Holy Days Commence Sept. 27

The Park Avenue Synagogue will usher in the Jewish New Year this Monday, September 27, at 6:00 P.M. The High Holy Day services this year will be conducted by Rabbi Simon Noveck and Cantor David J. Putterman, assisted by the Synagogue Choir and organist, George Crook.

Cantor Abraham Friedman will conduct the early *Shacharit* services in the Main Synagogue while Mr. Philip Silverstein, the Rabbi for the Vestry, will conduct them in the Vestry. Isidore Hahn will blow the Shofar.

Special Junior Congregation services will take place on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings, September 28 and 29 at 11:30 A.M., October 6 at 5:30 P.M. and October 7, at 11:30 A.M. and 5:30 P.M.



MILTON STEINBERG HOUSE

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Rosh Hashanah Eve, Monday, Sept. 27 ..... 5:45 P.M.
Rosh Hashanah Morning, Tuesday, Sept. 28 ..... 8:30 A.M.
Rabbi Simon Noveck
"The Creative Life"

Second Evening, Tuesday, Sept. 28 ..... 5:45 P.M.
Second Morning, Wednesday, Sept. 29 ..... 8:30 A.M.
Rabbi Simon Noveck
"World Jewry—Fate and Future"

Friday, Evening, Oct. 1 ..... 5:45 P.M.
Shabat Shuvah, Oct. 2 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Rabbi Simon Noveck
"To What Shall We Return?"

Kol Nidre, Wednesday, Oct. 6 ..... 5:45 P.M.
Rabbi Simon Noveck
"Goals for American Jewry"

Yom Kippur, Thursday, Oct. 7 ..... 8:30 A.M.
Morning: "Religion and Human Behavior"
Afternoon (Before Yizkor) "Door of Hope"

Yizkor (Memorial Services) ..... 3:00 P.M.
Musical Portions under the directions of Cantor David J. Putterman with the assistance of the Synagogue Choir and George Crook at the organ.

A Dedication Message

By Sanford H. Cohen
Board Chairman

In my greetings last year to the members of the congregation, I included a short report about the breaking of ground for the new building — then named the "Milton Steinberg Memorial Building"—and its expected completion during the year. I can now report that the prediction then made has been fulfilled; Milton Steinberg House is now an inspiring reality.

This five story building is unique in that its facade is sheathed entirely with a stained glass mural—making it the first known building in the world with such a facade. It was constructed as an extension to the Synagogue to honor the memory of Rabbi Milton Steinberg, the congregation's spiritual leader from 1933 until his untimely death in 1950.

The building will answer some long-felt needs of the Synagogue. There are adequate facilities for the educational, cultural and social activities of the congregation, including a small synagogue, administrative and pulpit offices as follows:

Basement—Lounge, Auditorium (400 capacity), kitchen.

1st Floor—Lobby, offices, small synagogue at rear seating 90.

2nd Floor—Library, school and miscellaneous offices, 2 classrooms.

3rd Floor—Large classroom seating 35; 2 classrooms seating 20 each; with folding door separation between the rooms affording flexible arrangements.

4th Floor—Rabbi's study; 3 classrooms.

5th Floor — Cantor's studio; Music Room, 2 classrooms with playground facilities on roof.

Automatic elevator to all floors.

Air-Conditioned areas: Small synagogue, offices, lounge and assembly hall; classrooms may also be air-condition-

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from the desk of Rabbi Noveck

The Dedication on September 19, of our new educational edifice will represent an important milestone in the development of the Park Avenue Synagogue. It will climax a decade of searching, planning and cooperative effort on the part of the leaders of the Congregation.

In its own modest way, this new structure should be of special significance to all of us. It is, first of all, part of a great movement of synagogue building and expansion which has taken place in the American-Jewish community within the past few years. The synagogue has always been the symbol of our way of life, of our faith in the future, and of our vision of a better world. It is to the glory of American Jewry that the synagogue in this land has become not only a place for prayer, but also a center for education and learning, and a rallying point for Jewish cultural and social activities. It is my sincere hope that the Milton Steinberg House will enable us to become such a Synagogue Center, sponsoring an expanded program of Jewish living.

The new edifice is, secondly, a wonderful example of what the ancient rabbis called "*hiddur mitzvah*", by which they meant the embellishment of the religious act, the extra adornment and emphasis on beauty that indicate the devotion of the builders.

Through the medium of modern abstract art, we can now see depicted on the panels of stained glass, Jewish holidays and other motifs of Jewish history in an original and unique fashion. While it may be difficult at first for some of you to interpret the symbols and understand what each panel represents, I plan soon to prepare a detailed explanation which I hope will make it meaningful. This experiment should represent a real contribution to the development of synagogue art and architecture in America.

Finally, this building will serve as a memorial to a great religious teacher in American Israel. Jewish tradition teaches us, "*ain oseen nefashos latzadakim maasayhem hame zichronum*" — "one does not set up monuments for the righteous, their words are their remembrance." It is my fervent prayer that the new building will be a living Center from which the teachings of Milton Steinberg and those of all the great minds of the contemporary Jewish world may be disseminated. We hope to enlarge and improve our Religious School, set up a well-planned Youth Program, an detend our Adult Education Program even beyond its present scope.

On September 12, the Tercentenary celebration of the coming of the first Jews to America was officially launched. The Park Avenue Synagogue could have made no finer contribution to this great celebration than by furnishing the rapidly growing Jewish community of New York's upper East Side with this new educational edifice dedicated to the survival of a great tradition, to creative Jewish study, and to the memory of a unique spirit in Jewish life.

May God grant each of you and your families a year of health, happiness and joyous participation in the activities of the Park Avenue Synagogue and its Milton Steinberg House.

Reprints of "As A Driven Leaf" by Milton Steinberg (Behrman House, Inc.) will be available for purchase September 19. This volume is a special edition in conjunction with the Dedication Ceremonies.

message from the President

Another New Year! Is it not wonderful to think that we have come along through another year? We have had our joys and sorrows. Our fortunes too have been mixed. But regardless of our individual circumstances, we all stand together on these Holy Days. This unity that we feel for each other as we stand shoulder to shoulder in the Synagogue, carries its own New Year's message.

The physical and spiritual closeness of these few special days are hardly characteristic of the days of the year passed. On the contrary, our modern life finds too many of us working over time setting up barriers to unity, to closeness, to individual and community fulfillment. We start by fencing in ourselves from ourselves. From there we too often go our own way. There are even those who say that we should not show our feelings, we should keep our emotions to ourselves. So we live a life of fences, keeping others at arms length, limiting contact, trying "not to be bothered". We fence ourselves in from our families, our friends, and of course, our synagogue. But on New Year's, we briefly lower the barrier. We climb from the shell. We participate together. For brief moments, the fence is down.

Let us hope that this new year will find those fences staying down even beyond the Holy Days. We at the Synagogue are fortunate in having a symbol of brotherhood in our beautiful Steinberg House. It knows no barriers. In helping to create it, all of us let the fences down so that through it we could stand together as one in living what our great leader gave his life for. Let us pray that in the New Year we can increasingly find the time to be more at one with each other, with our synagogue and with the spirit and meaning for which it stands.

JACOB KLEIN

New Youth Group Convenes

The new Synagogue Youth Group held its first meeting of the season on Sunday, September 12, at the home of Michele Kaye. The program for the evening included a showing of three interesting documentary films.

Young Marrieds Plan For Program Meeting

The Executive Committee of the Young Married Group will offer, for acceptance, its proposed program for the year 1954-55, at the initial meeting of the season to be held at the Y.M.H.A., 92nd Street and Lexington Avenue, N. Y. C., Tuesday evening, September 21, at 8:30 P.M. Having been in session several times during the summer, the Executive Committee is prepared to offer an inspiring program, which among other things, includes observance of the American Jewish Tercentenary Celebration.

Samuel G. Fredman, President of the Young Marrieds, in entending *Rosh Hashanah* greetings to the congregation suggests that a good way to start the New Year would be to make sure that all who should be, become members of the Young Marrieds. "We plan a great year, we welcome new members and if anyone knows of such potential members please communicate with the Chairman of the Membership Committee, Mrs. Harold Fischer, 430 E. 86th St., N. Y. C.

Senior League Group Announces New Officers

This new year is, in a very real sense, a year of dedication, not only of a new building, but to the idea of a synagogue and especially to the ideals of a great teacher. The Senior League is proud to be a part of this community undertaking. We hope we may continue to contribute to, as well as learn from, this reciprocal investment of time, energy and spirit. We extend to the congregation our good wishes for the season and our best hopes for the year.

The Senior League officers for the new year are: Robert Barzilay, honorary president; Philip Winter, president; Leah Goldman and James Pullman, vice presidents; Robert Kieval, treasurer; Jacqueline Fischer and Shirley Lipsky, secretaries. The League is planning a full program of philanthropic, social and cultural activities and will be happy to welcome all young people from the synagogue family or friends.

New Sisterhood Prexy Wishes "Lucky" Year

Members of the Sisterhood of the Park Avenue Synagogue:

This is my first opportunity to greet you as your new President. As we enter our 59th year, which I hope will be a "Lucky" one, may I count on your support and have the pleasure of meeting and greeting you individually.

"Lucky" is our slogan for this year. Therefore, I sincerely trust you will all be lucky in sharing in our Luncheon Project.

A very Happy New Year to you and a hearty welcome home.

Be a loyal S.P.A.S. member and support us.

GERTRUDE B. KARMIOL

Men's Club Plan for Fall

Plans for future programs of the Men's Club are now being formulated.

Monthly meetngs will present programs on a cultural and social level, unusual in content, and featuring noted speakers discussing controversial and provocative subjects and significant current events.

The annual political forum will be held in October and, thanks to the enlarged and improved facilities in the Vestry, a gala ladies night in November.

Men of the Congregation are urged to join the Men's Club. Please communicate with the Synagogue office should you desire to join.

President Milton Sivek announces the appointment of the following committee chairmen: Programs, Monroe Heyward; Projects, Henry Koch; Publicity, Louis I. Heller; Membership, Dr. Sigmund Siegal; Fund Raising, Charles Bennet and Hospitality, Julian Jacobs.

message from the Men's Club Prexy

With the successful completion of the Milton Steinberg Memorial Building, the observance of the High Holy Days assumes special significance in the hearts of our congregants.

Our Men's Club joins with all of the affiliated arms of the Synagogue and its members in recognition of this thrilling achievement.

For myself, and on behalf of the members of the Men's Club, I extend to each of you my warmest wishes for a year of health and happiness.

Parents' President Outlines Group Aims

On behalf of the Parents of the Religious School, I wish to extend greetings for the New Year. After a summer of fun and relaxation, it is appropriate that we turn our thoughts to the future and prepare to meet the challenge of the coming year.

This marks the end of a long uphill struggle for the Parents Association; at last our dream is being realized and the new school building has become a reality. We hope to fulfill our responsibility to the children, their parents and the Jewish Community.

Our plans envisage a closer relationship between the instruction offered by the Religious School and the influences at home, with a view toward developing an integrated child able to cope with the conflicts of his social environment. By instilling a strong sense of identification with the Synagogue and a respect for Jewish values we hope to become a link in his emotional maturity.

To further our objective the Parents Association strongly recommends an extensive Youth Program to meet the diverse needs of our children on all levels.

I am confident that this will be a good year for all of us; and so with humility and optimism I wish to extend New Years Greetings to our members and friends.

Lillian Helpern

Yiskor Elohim

ROSE BENOWITZ
mother of Charles Bennet

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husband of Mrs. Libby Marcus
brother of Mrs. Albert Cohn

DR. MAXWELL MERRIAM
husband of Mrs. M. Merriam

IDA MILLER
sister of Irving Miller

JACOB SCHWEBEL
husband of Mrs. J. Schwebel

SAMUEL EDELMAN
husband of Florence Edelman

DAVID ZIZMOR
father of Dr. Jesse Zizmor

May the next year bring peace to an age of uncertainty and a reaffirmation of our faith in the dignity and worth of the human person.

MILTON M. SIVEK

message from the Cantor

I pen these sentiments with gratitude to our Building Committee and officers as well as to all who labored and contributed to the realization of the Milton Steinberg Memorial Building. For seventeen years it was my privilege to be the co-worker, colleague and bosom friend of Rabbi Steinberg. We planned and worked together side by side serving God, our congregation and community. As my life was enriched by this association, so too may his love of God, Torah, Israel and the Jewish people long permeate every nook and corner of the new building dedicated to his blessed memory. May all who pass its threshold become imbued and inspired with a fervent passion and zeal for knowledge, faith, love and understanding as exemplified by Rabbi Steinberg in his search for goodness, beauty and truth. May the New Year bring health, happiness and peace to all mankind.

DAVID PUTTERMAN

High Holy Day Service For Young Children

"The Synagogue School", a national magazine, published by the United Synagogue of America, for rabbis, principals and teachers in religious schools describes, in its recent issue, "An Experimental High Holy Day Service for Children Five to Eight" as conducted last year at the Park Avenue Synagogue.

Baruch Levine, the leader of the service, was faced with the problem of conducting a service for fifty children, between the ages of five and eight, who could read no Hebrew and only the simplest English. He decided that the service should be essentially dramatic, so that the children could be active and have an opportunity to exercise their imagination. The approach was to construct a "patterned" service by introducing symbols from the Synagogue environment, explaining them and utilizing them, one by one, with the children.

The children entered the Synagogue to an accompaniment of piano music and were seated in a semi-circle around the leader. Starting with the song: "We're going on a Long, Long Voyage", the children were introduced, in the song, with the *Tallit*, the *Siddur*, the *Torah* and the *Shofar*—objects which were explained and later used in the service. During the serivce, the children learned the first five words of *Mah Tovu*, the *Barekhu* and *Shma Yisrael*. They wore a *Tallit;* held a *Siddur;* examined the open *Torah;* called *T'ki'ah* for the blasts on the *Shofar;* listened to the story of Eli and Samuel and sang *Ein Kelohenu*. The service lasted one hour and Mr. Levine writes, "The response was very warm."

A copy of the article has been sent by United Synagogue to all conservative congregations in the United States and Canada with recommendation for its incorporaton in High Holy Day services for children's congregations.

Mazel Tov

TO Dr. and Mrs. Marvin Robinson on the Birth of a daughter, June Dee.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Harold Fischer on the Birth of a daughter, Regina Ann.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Luebeck on the Birth of a granddaughter, and to her great grandmother, Mrs. Emma Luebeck.

TO Louis Friedman on the Birth of a great grandson.

TO Dr. and Mrs. Samuel Kulkin on the Birth of a granddaughter, Betty Jane Kulkin.

TO Dr. and Mrs. Harold Osserman on the Marriage of their son, Richard.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Victor Cohen on the Marriage of their son, Jerome.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Edward Davidson on the Marriage of their son, Dr. Alan Davidson to Patricia Baris.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stein on the Birth of a son, Edward Michael.

TO Dr. and Mrs. Frank Cross on their 35th Wedding Anniversary, August 17.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Jules Mendel on the Birth of a granddaughter.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Alex E. Arnstein on the Engagement of their daughter, Lynn to Thoman Dee.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Saul Godwin on the Engagement of their daughter, Ellen to Richard Frost.

Dedication

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ed when assembly hall is not in use.

While the building is a separately functioning unit, it is joined with the Synagogue for easy acceses. Having been designed for use as a religious and community building and also as a memorial, the artist, Adolph Gottlieb, has depicted holidays and traditions of Jewish life in the murals for the stained glass facade. There are ninety-one individual window panels covering four floors of the facade, one-third of which contain twenty-one individual abstract paintings on imported antique glass from Europe, portraying the religious holidays and traditions, and each of the latter is repeated at different points against a background of diamond shaped stained glass which compose the remainder of the design and consists of American marine antique glass. The small synagogue is wood paneled with the Ark doors and Menorah of sculptured bronze by the artist, Calvin Albert.

The religious school will now have facilities comparable with other such schools in the area. The Auditorium (vestry) has been completely renovated with a new platform and an adjoining lounge, which will be elegantly furnished, and which may be used as a reception room for the Auditorium (vestry) and for small parties and meetings.

A detailed description cannot really give one the adequate picture that a visit makes possible. Nor does the above measure the effort and attention that were required toward the fulfillment of the project.

In further tribute to Milton Steinberg, the publishing firm of Behrman House will bring out a memorial edition of "As a Driven Leaf", Rabbi Steinberg's novel, in time for the dedication of the building.

I know that the Board of Trustees joins me in special thanks and appreciation to Saul Godwin, a member of the Board and Chairman of the Building Committee, for his untiring efforts and almost daily attention during the progress of the work. The funds which have been pledged up to this point were obtained under the able direction of the Chairman of the Fund Raising Committee, Isadore M. Cohen, with the assistance of Co-Chairman, Milton Weill.

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Religious School to Hold Opening

Two Teachers Appointed To Religious School

The School Board announces the appointment of Allan Blaine as a full-time teacher in the Hebrew Department and Mrs. Marilyn Shirion as a teacher in the Primary Department of the school.

Mr. Blaine, a graduate from DeWitt Clinton High School and New York University, is a rabbinical student at the Jewish Theological Seminary. His training in Hebrew and Pedagogy was acquired at the Herzeliah Hebrew High School, the Teacher's Institute and in study in Israel on a Student Fellowship. Mr. Blaine comes to the school from the East Midwood Jewish Center where he taught for two years.

Mrs. Shirion earned her Bachelor's degree in Boston and her Master's degree, in early childhood education, at Columbia University. In addition to teaching in the United States, Mrs. Shirion was a co-founder of the Beth Hayeled in Jerusalem. This school, also called the Model American Kindergarten, was operated under the auspices of the Hebrew University and the Israeli Department of Education and was financed by the National Council of Jewish Women.

The Board, also, expresses its thanks to Murray Lehrer and Mrs. Yvette Davis Benjamin for their work with our children in past years. Mr. Lehrer has resigned from our staff to teach in a school nearer to his home. Mrs. Benjamin, a confirmand of the Park Avenue Synagogue and a teacher for many years, has moved to Stamford, Conn. where her husband will engage in the practice of internal medicine.

REGISTRATION

New admissions to the Primary Department and the Hebrew Department of the Religious School are now being accepted in the school office. Parents are urged to visit the office any afternoon after 3:00 P.M. to register their children.

GREETINGS

The Principal and the Faculty of the Religious School look forward to a year of educational achievement in the Milton Steinberg House. We wish our students, their parents and all congregants a year of health and happiness.

L'shanah tovah tikatevu.

Junior Congregation To Conduct Services At Jewish Museum

High Holy Day services for the young people and the children of the Congregation will be held, as in previous years, at the Jewish Museum, 92nd Street and Fifth Avenue. The facilities of the Museum have been made available to the Park Avenue Synagogue through the kindness of Dr. Stephen S. Kayser, curator of the Museum.

Services for the students in the Hebrew Department will be conducted by the members of the Junior Congregation under the direction of Mr. Irving Spielman, a Seminary student. Special services will also be conducted for the younger children, ages 6 to 9, who attend the Primary Department. This service will be particularly appealing to the children who cannot read Hebrew.

Tickets for the services will be mailed to the students in the Primary and Hebrew Departments of the Religious School. Parents may secure tickets for children not enrolled in the school by writing to the school office.

The schedule of services at the Museum is:

September 28 and 29: 10:15—11:15 A.M.—Younger children. 11:30—1:00 P.M.—Junior Congregation.

October 6: 5:30 P.M.—*Kol Nidre*—Junior Congregation.

October 7: 11:30—1:00 P.M.—Junior Congregation. 1:30—2:30 P.M.—Younger children. 5:00 P.M.—*Ne'ilah*—Junior Congregation.

School Will Re-Open After Dedication

The Religious School of the Park Avenue Synagogue will hold its opening session shortly after the dedication of the Milton Steinberg House on September 19. Students, who attended the Primary Department or the Hebrew Department of the school last year, will receive their new class and room assignments by post card. New students must register for the coming school year in the School Office any afternoon after 3:00 P.M.

The Primary Department of the school holds sessions on Sunday mornings for children from the ages of 6 through 9. The Hebrew Department, for children up to the age of 15, meets on two afternoons during the week and on Saturday morning. A major feature of the Saturday morning session is the Junior Congregation where the students have an opportunity to worship together and to develop an understanding of the religious concepts, the ethical values and the ritual forms of Judaism.

The instruction of the children is in the hands of a well-trained and experienced faculty who use modern classroom techniques. The program is also enriched by the use of music, arts and crafts, dramatics, dance, visual aids, field trips and a full holiday program sponsored by the Parents Association.

Bar Mitzvah and Bat Mitzvah for boys and girls comes at the age of 13. In accordance with the recommendations of the United Synagogue Commission on Education, a minimum of three years of instruction in the Hebrew Department is required for Bar Mitzvah and Bat Mitzvah in the Park Avenue Synagogue. Confirmation—Graduation from the school takes place at the age of 15 in an impressive ceremony at Shavuoth.

New congregants and parents of children of school age are urged to begin the formal religious education of their children immediately. Register today in the school office for the year 1954-55.

Beth Hayeled School Holds Anniversary

Beth Hayeled School, "House of the Child", is celebrating the fifteenth anniversary of its establishment as a bicultural school for children ages 3-9. Through tested modern methods, the school helps integrate the American-Jewish child into the American culture of which he is a part, while at the same time giving him an understanding and an appreciation of his own cultural heritage.

Outstanding educators have helped determine its policies. Among members of its Advisory Board are: Dr. Ruth Andrus, former Chief of the Bureau of Child Development and Parent Education in New York State; Jesse Stanton of the staff of the Bank Street College of Education; Dr. William H. Kilpatrick, Teachers College; Dr. Israel S. Chipkin, Vice-President of the Jewish Education Committee. Mrs. William Heller, of the Park Avenue Synagogue, member and active in *Ivriah*, the school's sponsoring organization, is on the Advisory Board. The teaching staff is certified both by New York State and the Jewish Education Committee.

On Tuesday, June 15, at 8:15 PM, the school held an open house in partial celebration of its anniversary. A movie depicting some of the activities of the school and its approach to early childhood education was part of the evening's festivities.

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Jewish Community Will Celebrate 300th Anniversary of Settlement

From September 1954 through May 1955, the Jewish Community of the United States will commemorate the 300th Anniversary of Jewish settlement in this country. Special programs have been planned by the American Jewish Tercentenary Committee for radio and television throughout this period.

The programs for the next month include:

TELEVISION

A PRECIOUS HERITAGE: a series of dramatic shows over the CBS Television Network on four successive Sundays in September, from 10:00 to 10:30 A.M. Eastern time, presented under the auspices of the American Jewish Tercentenary Committee.

September 19—"Test Case"—by Morton Wishengrad. A contemporary account of the American Labor movement. This telecast will be presented under the joint auspices of the American Jewish Tercentenary, the Jewish Labor Committee and the Workmen's Circle.

September 26—"The Coming of Asher Levy"—By Morton Wishengrad. Dramatization centered around the arrival of the first group of 23 Jewish settlers in America, in 1654. This program will be presented under the joint auspices of the American Jewish Tercentenary and of Congregation Shearith Israel, New York.

MID-DAY CHAPEL: a series of interview programs conducted by a rabbi under the auspices of the American Jewish Committee and the New York Board of Rabbis, over the Dumont Television Network, Fridays, from 12:45 to 1:00 P.M.

September 17 — "Contributions of American Jewish Women to America." Guest: Mrs. Irving M. Engel, President, National Council of Jewish Women.

September 24—"The Bible in American Democracy." Guest to be selected.

RADIO

ETERNAL LIGHT RADIO SERIES: Under the auspices of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America. NBC Radio Network, Sundays: 12:30 to 1:00 P.M., Eastern time.

September 19—"Valley Forge" — By Morton Wishengrad. Story about the American Revolutionary War and the participation of American Jewish soldiers at Valley Forge. Speaker: David Bernstein.

September 26—"As a Wind That Blows"—By Morton Wishengrad. Story taken from Congregation Shearith Israel's history, about the heroism of one of its members, Walter Judah. Setting: New York City at the close of the eighteenth century.

October 3—"The Sealed Tunnel"—By Irve Tunick. Story about the Touro Synagogue in Newport, R. I., and an incident related to George Washington's famous letter to this Congregation.

October 10—"Jacob and the Indians"—By Morton Wishengrad. Dramatization based upon Stephen Vincent Benet's story. Subject: Early American pioneer life. Speaker: William Rosenwald.

Dedication

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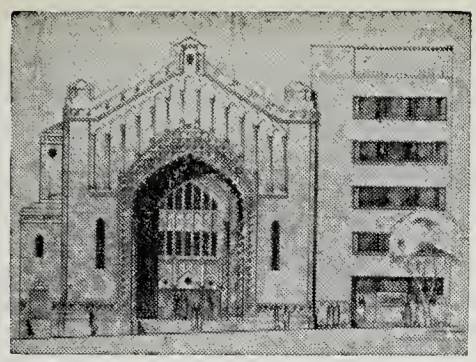
The building was planned by the architectural firm of Kelly & Gruzen with S. Robert Greenstein as associate, and the supervising contractor H.R.H. Construction Corp., of which Saul Horowitz, its President and a member of our Board of Trustees, contributed his services without cost.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, I should like to thank those who have contributed their time and money for this living memorial. Those who have not yet joined the ranks are invited to help complete the financing of the structure and its equipment.

I hope that the members of the congregation will attend the dedication and the corner-stone laying ceremonies of Milton Steinberg House to be held at the Synagogue on Sunday afternoon, September 19, 1954 at 1:30 P.M. A very interesting program has been arranged by the Dedication Committee, of which Judge Bernard Botein is Chairman. Mrs. Milton Steinberg and her two sons, Jonathan and David will participate in the corner-stone laying.

I can think of no better greeting for the New Year than this opening of the new building. On behalf of the Board of Trustees, I hope all of you have had a pleasant summer and extend my best wishes for a happy and healthful year.



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Congregants Receive Simhath Torah Honors

Steinberg House Holds Dedication Ceremony

The Dedication of Milton Steinberg House was an awe-inspiring and solemn experience. Over 1100 persons attended and listened to the program which included: Cantor David Putterman singing the National Anthem and Hatikvah; Rabbi Noveck giving the Invocation; Cantor Putterman and Choir rendering "*Ma Tovu.*"

Sanford H. Cohen, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, spoke and introduced Hon. Bernard Botein, Chairman of the Dedication Committee who presided. Others who spoke were: Hon. Robert Wagner, Mayor, City of New York; Mrs. Ogden Reid, Publisher, THE NEW YORK HERALD TRIBUNE; Mordecai Kedron, Deputy and permanent representative of the Israeli Government; Dr. Simon Greenberg, Vice Chancelor, Jewish Theological Seminary; Dr. Abram Sachar, President, Brandeis University. Psalm

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Consecration Service

The largest entering class in the history of the Hebrew Department of the Religious School will be honored in a special Consecration Service to be held at the synagogue in conjunction with the *Simhath Torah* service on Tuesday evening, October 19.

The new students, who, this year, are enrolled in three individual classes, will be presented to the Rabbi by Victor J. Herwitz, Chairman of the School Board and by the Principal, Martin Leichtling. Rabbi Noveck will bless the students and give each of them a miniature *Torah* scroll and an inscribed certificate to commemorate the event. Refreshments and holiday flags will be distributed to all the students in the school who attend the services.

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Joseph Howard Katz, Samuel Lemberg and Mrs. Anna Edelman will be honored by the Congregation for outstanding service in Synagogue, Jewish and communal affairs at the *Simhath Torah* service on Wednesday morning, October 20.

Following the *Hakafot*, the processional with the *Torah* Scrolls, Joseph H. Katz will be called to "stand forth" as *Hathan Torah* (Bridegroom of the Torah).

Then Samuel Lemberg will be called to the pulpit as *Hathan Bereshith* (Bride-

MRS. ANNA EDELMAN

JOSEPH HOWARD KATZ

SAMUEL LEMBERG

groom of the Beginning), as the *Torah* is rerolled and the first verses of Genesis are read. Mrs. Anna Edelman will be honored this year as *Kalah Mafteret* (Bride of the Prophetic Message) for *Simhath Torah* 5715.

This practice of honoring members of a congregation by designating them *Hathan Torah* and *Hathan Bereshith* originated from a mystical thread in medieval Judaism.

On *Simhath Torah*, the last day of the *Succoth* festival, the *Torah* cycle of the year is completed and then is begun again. The last section and the first one are traditionally regarded as portions of importance and it is a practice to assign these portions to those individuals who by their scholarship, piety or service to the Jewish community, have merited tribute.

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Simhath Torah

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The custom of honoring a *Kalah Mafteret* which was inaugurated six years ago, is a tribute to an outstanding woman member of the congregation for conspicuous service rendered the Jewish community.

Mrs. Anna Edelman

The woman to be honored this year as *Kalah Mafteret* is Mrs. Anna Edelman, a member of the executive Board of Sisterhood and a vital member of the Building Committee. Her late husband Morris Edelman served as a member of the Board of Trustees from 1930-33 and as Vice-President from 1933-37.

Anna Edelman is responsible for all the magnificent embroidery and sewing on the Ark Curtains and Torah Covers in the Park Avenue Synagogue. She contributed all the material and her services to this project. All proceeds were given to Youth Aliyah.

As a member of the Building Committee she is working on the Ark Curtains and Torah Covers for our new Milton Steinberg House.

As Board member of Sisterhood, she has been active in their project.

To all she has bestowed her warm friendly personality, and given devoted service to the congregation and merits, to the full, being named *Kalah Mafteret* for the year 5715.

Joseph Howard Katz

To be honored as *Hathan Torah* will be Joseph Katz, the Vice-Chairman of the Board of Trustees and President of the Men's Club from 1949 to 1953. Mr. Katz has been a member of the Board of Trustees since 1951 and before that served as member of its Advisory Council from 1949-51.

In the Synagogue Mr. Katz has given outstanding service. He is a member of five standing committees: Ritual, Law, Membership, Building and Dedication Committees. To all he has given his time, enthusiasm and leaderhip.

In the Jewish Community Joseph Katz, a lawyer, is well known as a member of the Board of Directors of The Jewish Education Committee of New York; member of the Board of Trustees of Camp Ramah in Connecticut and founder of the Benjamin Cardozo Lodge of B'nai B'rith.

An outstanding member of the congregation and the community, it is fitting that he be named *Hathan Torah* for 5715.

Samuel Lemberg

The honor of *Hathan Bereshith* will be bestowed on Samuel Lemberg, an active member of the Board of Trustees of the Synagogue.

Mr. Lemberg, a distinguished civic leader and Philanthropist, is Chairman for Brooklyn for the United Jewish Appeal, Associate Chairman for Brooklyn Federation of Jewish Charities, Trustee at large for Federation and Honorary Trustee of the East New York Y.M.H.A. and Y.W.H.A.

He also serves on the Board of Center Academy, Honorary Trustee of Brooklyn Jewish Center, Director and Treasurer of the Brooklyn Division of American Ort Society and member of Distribution Committee of Federation.

Mr. Lemberg is a member of many Real Estate Boards and active in that field.

An outstanding member of the congregation and the community with these qualities of leadership and service, he is one whose name with propriety, the Synagogue may begin its years reading of Scripture.

To pay tribute to the three recipients of *Simhath Torah* honors, all members are invited to attend services and reception which will immediately follow in the auditorium.

Broadcast on WNYC Saturday, October 9, 9:30-9:55 P.M. on "Artist and the Architect" discussing Steinberg House.

Young Marrieds to Hear Tercentenary Speaker

"Dramatic Moments in American Jewish History" will be the topic of Dr. Jacob S. Minkin, noted rabbi, writer and lecturer when he addresses the Young Married Group on Thursday evening, October 14, 8:30 P.M. in the auditorium of the Milton Steinberg House.

This second meeting of the season of the Young Married Group, with Dr. Minkin as guest, will be the first of several meetings to commemorate the American Jewish Tercentenary. Dr. Minkin's accomplishments eminently qualify him for the lead off spot in this Tercentenary year. Author of several full-length books which have been translated into many languages, he has also been responsible for religious and historical pieces in the Universal Jewish Encyclopedia, Encyclopedia Americana and the Encyclopedia of Jewish Knowledge.

In extending their invitation to all Young Marrieds to be present, the Executive Committee of the Young Married Group welcomes back all the old members and many new couples in attendance at the first meeting of the season. Those in attendance at the initial meeting of the year heard an outline of the program for the coming season, met the new officers and were greeted by Rabbi Noveck with wishes for another successful year.

Consecration

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The following newly-enrolled students in the Hebrew Department will be honored: Rosanne Alberts, Michael Amitin, Elliot Bien, Donald Bienenfeld, James Buff, Richard Chorosh, Susan Carr, Barbara Ditchik, Stephen Eisenberg, Richard Fieber, Pamela Foa, Rose Forster, Richard Gerard, Wendy Gluckman, Leonard Gold, Simeon Grater, Willa Grauer, Joan Halpern, James Harwood, Howard Herman, Carol Hoexter, Joan Hoexter, Jane Jacob, Alice Katz, David Karpf, Harvey Kohn, Gerald Miller, Phyllis Mishkin, Sanford Perlman, Malda Podell, Gerald Politzer, George Pollack, Helen Rosenblum, Mark Siegel, Sheldon Steinbach, Gerald Stiebel, Jonathan Stowe, Burton Tepfer, Lillian Wiener, and Allen Wolovsky.

PARK AVENUE SYNAGOGUE RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

WHY SHOULD MY CHILD GO TO RELIGIOUS SCHOOL?

By attending a modern Jewish school, together with others of his own age, your child will gain a rich and joyful experience as a Jew. He will learn the great heritage of our people . . . the traditions and culture of Jews through the ages . . . the Jewish ethics and ideals which have contributed to the development of the American democratic spirit. He will grow up with a deep love and understanding of the privilege of being Jewish. Your child will find identification with you, your family, the synagogue, the Jewish community in the United States and with the Jewish people throughout the world.

WHAT DOES YOUR SCHOOL OFFER MY CHILD?

MILTON STEINBERG HOUSE offers the finest and most modern facilities for instruction in Judaism.

- Spacious air-conditioned classrooms
- Small classes for individual instruction
- Elevators to all floors
- Modern, movable furniture
- Provisions for audio-visual aids
- Complete Library facilities
- Recreation lounges
- Tiled roof for play
- Club facilities for youth groups

FOR CHILDREN 5 to 9—The Primary Department holds sessions on Sunday morning from 9:45 to 12 Noon. Bible stories, customs, festivals are taught through games, songs and play.

FOR CHILDREN 9 to 15—The Hebrew Department meets two afternoons during the week and on Saturday morning. The children study Hebrew, history, prayer, customs and ceremonies, music, and participate in congregational worship.

The instruction is in the hands of a well-trained and experienced faculty who use modern classroom techniques. The program is enriched by the use of music, arts and crafts, dramatics, dance, visual aids, field trips and a full holiday program sponsored by the Parents Association.

WILL MY CHILD BE PREPARED FOR BAR MITZVAH AND CONFIRMATION?

Bar Mitzvah and Bat Mitzvah for boys and girls comes at the age of 13. In accordance with the recommendation of the United Synagogue Commission on Education, a minimum of three years of instruction in the Hebrew Department is required for Bar Mitzvah and Bat Mitzvah at the Park Avenue Synagogue. The Principal will discuss all special cases with parents.

Confirmation and Graduation from the school takes place at 15 or after five years of study in the Hebrew Department.

WHO MAY ATTEND THE RELIGIOUS SCHOOL?

Membership in the Synagogue is not necessary to qualify your child for registration. The children of members and non-members of the congregation may be enrolled in the school.

WHEN MAY I REGISTER MY CHILD IN YOUR SCHOOL?

The School Office is open daily from 2:30 P.M. to 6:30 P.M. for enrollment of children. The school will conduct its classes in Milton Steinberg House.

Please bring this information to any relatives or friends who are interested in Jewish Education for their children.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday, October 8 ..... 5:45 P.M.
Saturday, October 9 ..... 9:45 AM.
Rabbi Noveck will preach

Succoth Eve, Monday, October 11 ..... 5:45 P.M.
First Day Succoth, Tuesday, October 12 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach

Second Eve Succoth, Tuesday, October 12 ..... 5:45 P.M.
Second Day Succoth, Wednesday, October 13 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach

Friday, October 15 ..... 5:45 P.M.
Saturday, October 16, *Shabbat Chol Hamoed Succoth* .... 9:30 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach

Shemini Atzeret Evening, Monday, October 18 ..... 5:45 P.M.
Shemini Atzeret, Tuesday, October 19 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Yizkor Memorial Services
Rabbi Noveck will speak

Simhath Torah Consecration Ceremony for New Students,
Tuesday, October 19 ..... 5:45 P.M.
Simhath Torah, Wednesday, October 20 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Honoring of Three Congregants:
Joseph H. Katz, Samuel Lemberg, Mrs. Anna Edelman

"Impressions of Israel" Discussed at Sisterhood

Sisterhood's open meeting had an auspicious start on Tuesday, September 21, with stimulating talks given by Rabbi Simon Noveck and Mrs. Abraham N. Geller, on their "Impressions After a Return Visit to Israel." Another interesting program has been planned for the next open meeting which will be held on Tuesday, October 26.

Men's Club Will Hold October Political Forum

The Men's Club, as is its custom, devotes the first regular meeting of the new season to its very popular Political Forum. However, while Tuesday still continues as the usual meeting night for the Men's Club, this opening meeting will be held on a Thursday, October 21, at 8:30 P.M.

Among those invited to participate are the candidates for Governor of New York State, Senator Irving Ives and Averell Harriman; as well as many other candidates for offices on the national, state and local levels.

Once agan a cordial invitation is extended to all men of the congregation and their friends, whether married or single (including those affiliated with the Young Marrieds and Senior League) to join the Men's Club or at least be guests at some of the meetings during the coming year.

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30 was sung by Cantor Putterman. Judge Botein read a letter from Jacob Friedman, former President of the Synagogue, who was instrumental in bringing Rabbi Steinberg to the Park Avenue Synagogue. Nathaniel L. Goldstein, Attorney General of New York, and member of the Synagogue, read a letter from Governor Thomas E. Dewey.

The Cornerstone and Dedication was made by Rabbi Noveck, and Jonathan and David Steinberg who left the Synagogue to unveil the cornerstone and facade accompanied by Jacob Klein, President of the Synagogue.

letter from Mrs. Edith Steinberg

I am sure everyone in the Park Avenue Synagogue understands the strenuous ordeal Jonathan, Davd and I had to live through on Sunday, September 19th. However, if we had to do so, it was as beautifully conducted a Service as anything we had ever experienced. Something Milton would have appreciated—quiet, simple, genuine, eloquent, and dignified. If we had to pay tribute to Milton Steinberg again officially four years later, this was just right. But in addition—to the people on the program who made the day a memorable event in our lives, there were so many others behind the scenes who worked for years to make the event possible.

May I, at this point, thank the members of the three Committees in addition to the Board of Trustees, members of the Congregation who participated in their way, and the office staff for their work in making the Milton Steinberg House a reality. The three Committees I refer to specifically are the Fund-Raising Committee, the Building Committee, and the Dedication Committee. To everyon concerned my sincerest thanks.

With best wishes for a Happy New Year.

EDITH STEINBERG

Mrs. Milton Steinberg wishes to thank all the people who sent her kind greetings for the High Holidays and expresses her appreciation of their thoughtfulness.

Religious School Services

SUCCOTH SERVICES for the students of the Religious School will be held in the Milton Steinberg House at 10:00 A.M. on each of the festival mornings.

SISTERHOOD SAYS THIS IS —
Your LUCKY Year — 1954
Your LUCKY Day — Wednesday, December 8th
Your LUCKY Opportunity —
to have Lunch at the Astor
to attend a Matinee of "FANNY"
with EZIO PINZA
Your LUCKY Break — to spend one week in Florida
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to get all this
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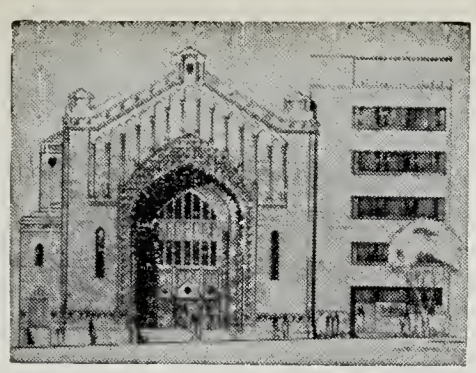

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First Friday Lecture Series Opens Nov. 5

Adult Class Program To Commence Nov. 15

"Judaism for Modern Man" will be the theme of the major lecture series of this year's Monday evening Adult Education Institute, starting on November 15, at 9:00 P.M. and continuing for thirteen Monday evenings. Rabbi Noveck and several guest rabbis will present a systematic and integrated interpretation of the beliefs, values and practices of Judaism as they apply to the mid-twentieth century world. Material will be drawn not only from the Bible and Talmud, but also from Maimonides and modern theologians, furnishing members of the Congregation with a well-rounded interpretation of Judaism in both theory and practice.

Rabbi Noveck will open the series on November 15, with a discussion of "The Character of Judaism." On November 22 Rabbi Noveck and Rabbi Mordecai Waxman, of Temple Israel in Great Neck, will jointly discuss "The Development of the God Idea in Judaism."

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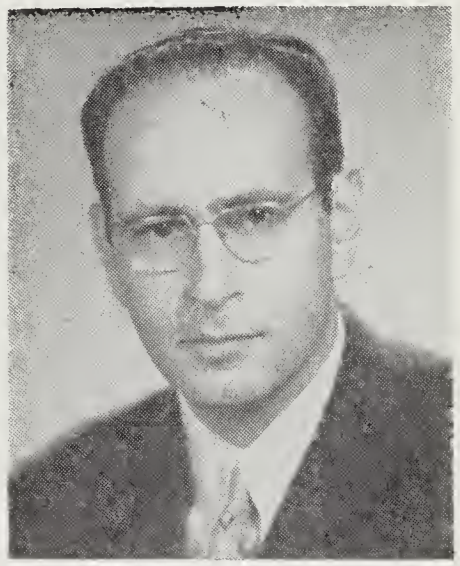
On Friday evening, November 5, at 8:15 P.M., the first of the Late Friday Evening Services for this season will take place. Conducted by Rabbi Noveck and Cantor Putterman with the Synagogue choir and Mr. George Crook at the organ, these Services will begin promptly at 8:15 P.M. and close at 9:15 P.M. The Service will include a brief sermonette by Rabbi Noveck and the traditional renditions of Cantor Putterman.

Following the Services the Committee on Adult Education will sponsor a series of seven lectures in the new auditorium on the theme "What Can a Man Believe? —Religion and Human Needs." Dr. Mortimer Ostow, a practicing psychoanalyst on the staffs of the Mount Sinai and Beth Israel Hospitals, will deliver the first talk on "What Is Religion?" Drawing on the material of his recently published book on religion and psychiatry, he will discuss the psychic values of the religious life and the role that religion should play in the life of modern man.

Rabbi James G. Heller will deal with the same theme from the point of Jewish tradition.

Dr. Heller is an outstanding Jewish and civic leader. He is Chairman of Community Relations for the State of Israel Bonds and was former National Chairman of the United Jewish Appeal, Chairman of the United Palestine Appeal and Chairman of the Administrative Council and Vice President of the Zionist Organization of America. He served as rabbi of the historic Isaac M. Wise temple in Cincinnati for thirty-two years.



DR. MORTIMER OSTOW

RABBI JAMES G. HELLER

Following the lectures an Oneg Shabbat will take place in the auditorium. All members of the Synagogue are urged to attend the services and this unique lecture series and to bring their children and friends.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday Evening, October 29 ..... 5:45 P.M.

Saturday Morning, October 30 ..... 9:45 A.M.

Bar Mitzvah of Stephen Jacoby

Rabbi Noveck will deliver the Sermon

Friday Evening, November 5 ..... 8:15 P.M.

9:15 P.M.—Dr. Mortimer Ostow and Rabbi James G. Heller

"What Is Religion?"

In the Auditorium

Saturday Morning, November 6 ..... 9:45 A.M.

Rabbi Noveck will deliver the Sermon

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letter to the Editor

(We are pleased to reprint this editorial from the October 1, 1954 issue of The Reconstructionist.)

Some years ago, when members of the Park Avenue Synagogue were proposing to erect a new synagogue building, their rabbi, Milton Steinberg, discouraged them from tying up too much money and energy in unproductive brick and mortar. He did, however, urge the erection of a building that would offer much-needed enlargement and improvement of the congregation's educational and cultural facilities. Not long thereafter, Rabbi Steinberg died at the early age of 46.

On September 19th, the building that he had projected was dedicated. It was appropriately dedicated as a memorial to his name, being called Milton Steinberg House.

The congregation is to be commended for thus having carried out the intention of their late rabbi and having reverently made of it a shrine to his memory. May the spirit of Milton Steinberg live again through the activities which this building will house, the spirit of piety and faith, of loyalty and love of sincerity and truth, of learning and culture.

Those who did not receive their first two BULLETINS should notify the office immediately so that the situation may be remedied. Call SAcremento 2-8765.

New Members Join Synagogue for '55

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome into the Synagogue fifty-three new members and their families, who have joined the Synagogue within the past year.

The new members include:

Frederick S. Berman, Jacques Bienenfeld, Martin Levine, Helen Straus, Dr. Morris Bien, Morton Wolovsky, Dr. I. Grantz, Paul Miller, Mrs. S. Remet, Charles Beller.

Harold Berman, Saul Brown, Jacob Boorstein, Jacob Cohen, Jack H. Einigen, Samuel Ershler, Bernard Fread, Morris Ginsberg, Bruce Geller, Dr. Robert Gottsegen, Mrs. Deborah Greenfield, Mrs. Sophie Herman, Ralph Hirschberg, Mrs. Edith Harwood, Lewis Gruber, Laurence S. Jones, Edgar W. Kann.

William Lane, Abe Liebovitz, Miss Muriel Levy, Abraham Levine, Dr. Sidney Liebowitz, George Lyttle, Frank E. Howard, Mrs. Rose Lewis, Samuel Michelman, Dr. Alfred Marrow, Dr. A. E. Mamelok, Irving Oshinsky, Chester Parker, Elliot Picket, David Picket.

Abel H. Phillips, Walter Roth, J. L. Rosenthal, Dr. Stanley Seton, Mrs. S. Shapiro, Leopold Solomon, Mrs. C. K. Simon, Samuel I. Wick, Irving Warshaw, Philip Winter and Norman B. Yarmis.

Mazel Tov

TO Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Davidson on the Engagment of their son, Edward to Alexandria Weiss.

TO Jacob Friedman Jr. on his Birthday, October 15.

TO Dr. and Mrs. William R. Jacoby on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Stephen Murray, October 30.

TO Dr. and Mrs. Saul Granetts on their 20th Wedding Anniversary, October 21.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Louis Cohen on their 35th Wedding Anniversary, October 26.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Klein on their Wedding Anniversary, October 25.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Simon Newell on the Engagament of their daughter, Sheila Paperny to Richard Blauner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Blauner, and grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Max Blauner.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Charles Berns on the Bas Mitzvah of their daughter, Abbey Jane, October 23.

Members Honored

(The following is a letter written by the President of the Synagogue to Hon. Nathaniel L. Goldstein upon his appointment as Chairman of the Board of Overseers of the Albert Einstein College of Medicine.)

My dear Judge Goldstein:

It was a real pleasure and thrill to read in today's Times of your appointment as Chairman of the Board of Overseers of the Albert Einstein College of Medicine and I want to congratulate you on having received such wonderful recognition not only as a fine American, but as one of our outstanding Jews.

I speak not only in my own behalf but as President of the Park Avenue Synagogue and also on behalf of the Officers, Chairman of the Board and Board of Trustees, and the entire membership body of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

Cordially,
JACOB KLEIN
President

Solomon Green Appointed

Solomon Green, member of the Advisory Council of the Board of Trustees, has been appointed a member of the Board of Overseers of the Jewish Theological Seminary, representing the Teachers Institute of the Seminary.

Men's Club Names Committee Heads

Having started the season with its interesting and informative "Election Showcase," the Men's Club has planned many other worthwhile and enjoyable programs to follow. More specific information regarding the November meeting will appear in the next issue of the BULLETIN.

Meanwhile, President Milton Sivek has announced the appointment of the chairmen of the following additional committees: Communal Affairs, Dr. Ira Fink; Legal, James J. Liebman; War Memorial Tablet, Milton Selig; Liaison with the National Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs, Dr. Sol Winnick.

SCHOOL NEWS

Scholarship Awards

The Metropolitan Council of the United Synagogues has announced that thirty-one students in the Religious School received recognition for meritorious achievement in Hebrew School Studies for the school year 1953-1954.

Cecily Falkenstein and Marilyn Schneider, who were confirmed in June, were elected to the *Keter Torah*, an all-city honor society. The young women were honored because of the unusually high scholastic and extra-curricular record that they maintained throughout their five years in the Hebrew Department. The newly-elected members of the *Keter Torah* will be installed at a special convocation to be held on October 24.

Alan Mehlman, a winner of the meritorious achievement for the fourth successive year, has been awarded a gold pin and becomes eligible for the *Keter Torah* at the end of this school year.

Jonathan Siegel, a third year winner has been awarded a silver pin and each of the following, as second year winners will receive bronze pins: Leona Giat, Joel Grantz, Inez Fields, Charles Kaiser, David Reichman, Jon Waldman, Randall Weingarten, Joseph Weintraub and Elliot Zucker.

Certificates of Achievement will be presented to the students who are being cited for the first time:

Class 1A: Peter Betcher, Tomi Deutsch, Jeffrey Mehlman, Daniel Ritey, Eric Shullman, Renee Stern and Judith Linn.

Class 1B: Jonathan Charnas, Richard Danzig, Bruce Kogan, Jonathan Ostrik, er, Martha Stein, Richard Weisberg, Pamela Weprin and Stephen Dell.

Class 2A: Richard Nalin.

Class 3A: Phyllis Brody and Michael Kogan.

Class 3B: John Stangel.

A special award for outstanding attendance for three years has been given to Robert Unger.

New Students

The following newly-enrolled students in the Hebrew Department of the Religious School, whose names were not mentioned in the last BULLETIN, participated in the Consecration Ceremony at *Simhath Torah*: Michael Botein, Miriam Kallus, Irene Klein and Stanley Kurzwell.

THE COMMITTEE ON ADULT EDUCATION ANNOUNCES A FRIDAY EVENING LECTURE SERIES

to be held at 9:15 P.M. following the Late Friday Evening Services

WHAT CAN A MAN BELIEVE? — RELIGION AND HUMAN NEEDS

November 5th	WHAT IS RELIGION?	Dr. Mortimer Ostow Psychoanalyst on the staffs of Mt. Sinai and Beth Israel Hospitals. Rabbi James G. Heller Chairman of Community Relations for State of Israel Bonds; formerly Rabbi of Isaac Wise Temple, Cincinnati.
November 12th	THE NEED TO BELIEVE	Dr. Louis Linn Assistant Attending Psychiatrist, Mt. Sinai Hospital; Teaching Consultant of New York State Department of Mental Health.
November 19th	THE MEANING OF RELIGIOUS EXPERIENCE	Dr. Milton Sapirstein Associate Attending Psychoanalyst, Columbia University, Psychoanalytic Clinic; Associate Neurologist Mt Sinai Hospital.
November 26th	LEARNING TO HANDLE OUR CONSCIENCE	Dr. David Kairys Psychiatric Staff, Mt. Sinai Hospital; Staff of Treatment Center, New York Psychoanalytic Institute.
December 3rd	THE PERSONAL VALUES OF RITUAL	Dr. Milton Malev Practicing Psychoanalyst, Member of New York Psychoanalytic Society and American Psychiatric Association.
December 10th	PSYCHOANALYSIS AND JEWISH VALUES	Dr. Abraham N. Franzblau Professor Pastoral Psychiatry, Hebrew Union College; Member of Psychiatric Dept., Mt. Sinai Hospital; Author of recent book "The Road to Sexual Maturity."
December 17th	THE NEED TO BELONG	Dr. Paul Friedman Member of New York Psychoanalytic Society, American Psychiatric Society and Associate in Neuro-Psychiatry at Beth Israel Hospital.

Rabbi Noveck will present the point of view of Jewish tradition at every session on these themes except November 5.

AN ONEG SHABBAT WILL FOLLOW EACH OF THE LECTURES

Parents Plan Luncheon, Book Fair

The Executive Board of the Parents' Association has planned its program for the coming year and looks forward to a very active season.

The first event will be a luncheon in the Auditorium of the Synagogue at 1:00 P.M., Monday, November 15, for the mothers of children who are entering the Religious School for the first time. The Parents' Association hopes that all newcomers will avail themselves of this opportunity to meet with the Parents' group and to learn of its activities. Mrs. Bernard Graur, Chairman for the luncheon will be assisted by Mrs. William Halpern.

Another event of interest will be the annual Book Fair to be conducted under the chairmanship of Mrs. George Heyman. This will feature an exhibit of books on Jewish life and thought as well as record albums of Jewish music.

The first open meeting will be held in the immediate future. A brief installation of officers will be followed by an address by a well known authority on a vital subject pertaining to teen agers. At this meeting teachers of the Religious School will be present in order to give parents and teachers an opportunity to meet. Refreshments will be served and a social evening will follow.

Noted Author Addresses Young Married Group

"Can American Jewry Produce a Creative Jewish Culture?" Charles Angoff, noted editor, author and university teacher will try to answer this question Tuesday evening, November 9, 8:30 P.M. when he is the guest of the Young Married Group of the Park Avenue Synagogue at a regular meeting to be held in the auditorium.

In the Anglo-Jewish world, Mr. Angoff is known as one of the most effective and colorful writers of Jewish short stories and novels. Listed among his major contributions are—"When I Was a Boy In Boston," "Journey to the Dawn" and "In the Morning Light." The latter two books have been selected as offerings by the Jewish Book Guild, of which Mr. Angoff is a member of the Editorial Advisory Board.

TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE PARK AVENUE SYNAGOGUE

Complaints have been made by various members because they have failed to receive honors on the High Holy days. We try to designate as many as possible for these honors—we have over 700 members—many do not care but to those who do care we say, if you drop us a line or call the office, we will put you on a list and endeavor to please as many as possible.

ARCHIE THURMAN
Ritual Committee Chairman

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Executive Post Created For Expanding Program

SIDNEY R. KATZ

Sanford H. Cohen, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, has announced the appointment of Sidney R. Katz to the newly created post of Executive Director of the Park Avenue Synagogue. He was introduced to the members of the Board at their last meeting October 14, in the Synagogue.

Mr. Katz comes to us from the East Flatbush Jewish Community Center where he has been serving in a similar capacity. His professional experience in Jewish communal life includes association with the American Association for Jewish Education, the American Financial and Development Corporation for Israel, and the American Jewish Congress.

Mr. Katz is a member of the National Association of Synagogue Administration, the professional association of executive directors of Conservative synagogues. A college graduate, he is married and has two children.

Youth Group Plans Dance

The YOUNG PEOPLE'S GROUP of the Park Avenue Synagogue will hold a Thanksgiving Dance Wednesday Evening, November 24.

Beginning at 9:00 P.M. in the Vestry, the dance will feature refreshments, an orchestra and a door prize of several Electra Records donated by Jac Holzman, a member of the group.

Admission will be $1.00 for members and $1.50 for non-members. Those interested should contact Marcia Gellert in care of the Synagogue.

Yiskor Elohim
LINA RHONHEIMER
wife of the late Julius Rhonheimer

Two Election Candidates Speak at Sisterhood

On Tuesday afternoon, October 26, hundreds of members of the Sisterhood and their friends were privileged to hear two outstanding speakers discuss the challenging theme: "Do the State Issues Count?" This provocative question was lucidly and clearly answered by Hon. Jacob K. Javitz, Republican Candidate for the office of Attorney General for the State of New York and Hon. Arthur Levitt, Democratic Candidate for the office of State Comptroller. Many women shared in the lively and stimulating question period which followed the address.

Sisterhood was "LUCKY" to get "FANNY," a wonderful show, starring Ezio Pinza for its Theatre Party, Wednesday, December 8. Tickets will be distributed on a "first come, first served" basis. $60 worth of ads entitles the seller to a free ticket. Those who wish to place a name on the Children's, Grandchildren's or Memorial Pages at $2 a name should contact Mrs. Saul Granetts, 45 East End Avenue.

Adult Classes

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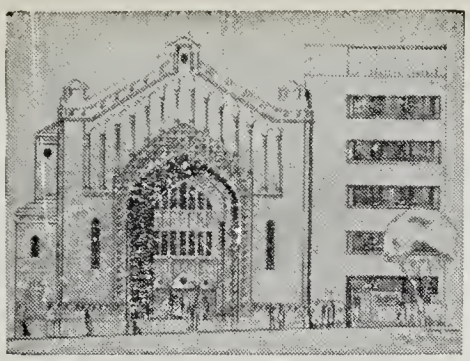
Included among these thirteen lectures will be the Milton Steinberg Lectures in Jewish Theology, which will cover such topics as "What We Jews Believe About Immortality," "The Doctrine of Revelation" and "The Jewish View of Man."

As in the past, the Committee on Adult Education has scheduled three courses in Hebrew: Elementary, taught by Mr. Eliezer Whartman; Intermediate, by Mr. Baruch Hochman and Advanced by Mrs. Drora Whartman. Cantor Putterman will again conduct his course in Choral Music at 8:00 P.M. and at 7:30 P.M. he will give a course on Cantillation where the chanting of the *Brochos* and *Haftorahs* will be practiced.

A course in "Dramatic Moments in Jewish History" is planned. Rabbi Noveck and guest lecturers will present such dramatic turning points in the history of the Jews as "Moses at the Burning Bush" and "The Expulsion of the Jews from Spain." During January and February Professor Albert Salomon will present a series of lectures on Sociology and Religion. Details about this course will be in future issues of the BULLETIN.

These courses are open to all members of the Synagogue and their friends.



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Adult Ed. Program Opens November 15

The regular adult education classes of the Park Avenue Synagogue will begin on Monday evening, November 15. The 8:00 P. M. classes will include elementary, intermediate and advanced Hebrew, a choral group conducted by Cantor Putterman and the course, Dramatic Moments in Jewish History, given by Rabbi Noveck and guest lecturers. On November 15, Rabbi Noveck will speak on "Moses at the Burning Bush". He will deal not only with this dramatic moment, but present the historical background to the Exodus from Egypt and the experiences of the Jews in the desert, citing some recent archeological discoveries as well as from the Bible and other historical sources. On November 22, his topic will be "Amos Prophesies in Bethel." In this lecture he will discuss the rise of Hebrew prophesy and the great contribution which the prophets made to the development of Jewish civilization.

At 9:00 P.M. the Major Lecture Course will be Judaism for Modern Man. Rabbi Noveck will discuss "The Character of Judaism" on November 15. He will deal with the general nature of Jewish tradition, its rational and mystical strands and set the background for a systematic presentation of the values and practices of Judaism as it developed in classical time. On November 22 he will talk on "The Development of the God Idea in Judaism," tracing the evolution of the Jewish God faith from its earliest formulation in the Five Books of Moses and including the lofty interpretations and insights of the Hebrew prophets, the approach of the sages of the Talmud and the contribution of the Medival Jewish philosophers.

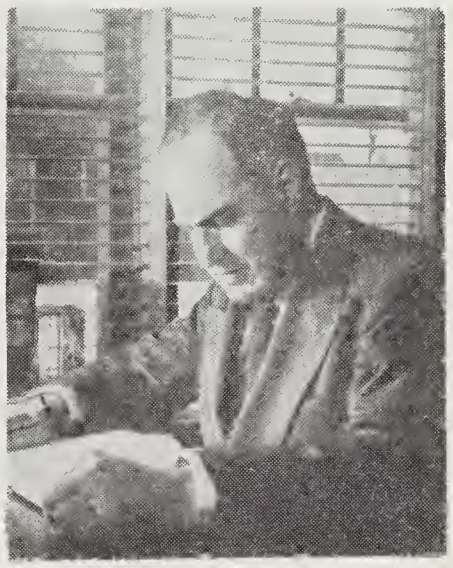
These classes are open to Congregants and to the general community. All members are urged to participate in this program and to bring their friends.

Drs. Louis Linn, Will Herberg to be Guest Speakers on Friday, Nov. 12

The second in the series of Late Friday Evening Lectures for this season will be held on November 12, at 9:15 P.M. in the Auditorium, following the regular Services. The topic "The Need to Believe" will be discussed by Dr. Louis Linn, a practicing psychoanalyst and Dr. Will Herberg, well-known lecturer in Jewish theology.

Dr. Louis Linn is Assistant Attending Psychiatrist at Mt. Sinai Hospital, Teaching Consultant of the New York State Department of Mental Hygiene, and a member of

DR. LOUIS LINN



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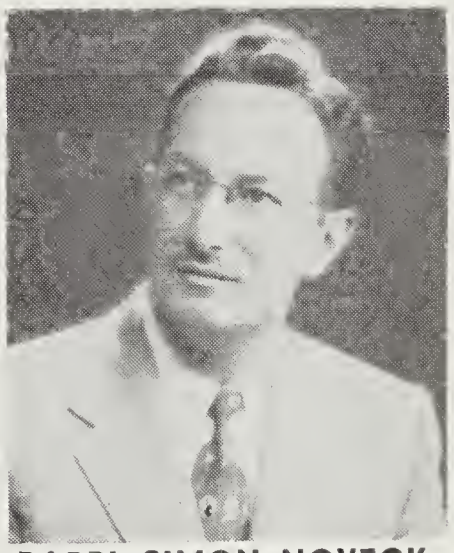

RABBI SIMON NOVECK

the American Psychoanalytic Society. He participated during the past summer in a seminar on psychiatry and religion given for the benefit of the alumni of the Jewish Theological Seminary and brings a rich background in Jewish knowledge as well as psychiatry to his theme.

Dr. Herberg is a well-known lecturer in the field of theology and social philosophy. He has lectured at Princeton, Harvard, the Jewish Theological Seminary, Union Theological Seminary and other leading academic institutions. He has written widely on social, political and religious subjects. Among his pub-

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Hadassah Women's Group Tours Steinberg House

A large delegation of women belonging to the Rishonah Group of Hadassah in Mt. Vernon, N. Y. will charter a special bus on Tuesday, November 16, to come to Manhattan and inspect the Milton Steinberg House. The bus containing the women is due to arrive at the building at 2:30 P.M.

The Building continues to attract persons from all over the country, citizens interested in Congregational life as well as persons from the field of art and architecture.

Only last week a Mrs. Alex Weisberg of Dallas, Texas, active in a very large Congregation in that city came to inspect the Building as did two artists from Westport, Conn., Mr. and Mrs. Victor Robinson. During the past few days. a special feature writer representing an art magazine also inspected the Milton Steinberg House.

"From the Sermons of Milton Steinberg", Volume I: High Holydays and Major Festivals, edited by Bernard Mandelbaum, Dean of Students and instructor in Midrash at the Jewish Theological Seminary, has just been released by the Bloch Publishing Company, New York. The book which contains 30 complete sermon outlines for holidays and festivals is available in cloth bound edition for $4.50.

Young Marrieds Group To Hear Dr. Bela Fabian

As their third offering along the general theme of the Tercentenary, the Young Married Group will have as their guest speaker on Tuesday, December 14, Dr. Bela Fabian, former member of the Board of the Budapest Jewish Community and former president of the Independent Democratic Party of Hungary. A victim of both Nazi and Communist persecutions, survivor of Auschwitz, Oranienburg, Sachsenhausen and Ohrduf concentration camps, and currently a political exile from Communism, Dr. Fabian will speak on the topic "Jews Behind the Iron Curtain", a subject on which he was recently called upon to testify before the House Un-American Activities Committee.

The importance and prominence of both speaker and topic give every indication of a large turnout from the entire Synagogue. In view of this, the group's business meeting will begin promptly at 8:30 P.M. and will end in time for Dr. Fabian to begin his discussion at 9:00 P.M., at which time all persons are invited to be present. Questions and a collation will follow.

TV Series to Highlight Tercentenary Celebration

Telecasts celebrating the American Jewish Tercentenary, will be presented by the NBC-TV network as part of its "Frontiers of Faith" series from 1:30-2:00 P.M. EST. Written by Morton Wishengrad, the series is planned as follows: on Sunday, November 7, "The Pugnacious Sailing Master"; Sunday, November 14, "No Wreathe and No Trumpet"; Sunday, November 21, The dramatic tale of an avenue of escape built under the Touro Synagogue in Newport, Rhode Island in 1760; and Sunday, November 28, "Land of Our Fathers."

Friday Lectures

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lications are Faith and Secular Learning," "Religious Trends in American Jewry," "Religious Tensions in the United States," and his most recent book "Judaism and Modern Man: An Interpretation of Jewish Religion."

On the following Friday, November 19, Dr. Milton Sapirstein and Rabbi Noveck will discuss the topic "The Meaning of Religious Experience." Dr. Sapirstein is Associate Attending Psychoanalyst at Columbia University Psychoanalytic Clinic, Associate Neurologist at the Mount Sinai Hospital and Senior Consultant in Psychiatry at the Kingsbridge Veterans Hospital. He was Lecturer at the John L. Elliot Institute of the New York Society for Ethical Culture and is author of "Emotional Security" and the forthcoming "Paradoxes and People." He is the father of two boys attending the Park Avenue Religious School.

An *Oneg Shabbat* will follow these lectures and all members and their families are urged to attend.

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YOUTH NEWS

A complete program of activities for the young people of the congregation has been developed by the Youth Activities Committee. There will be an afternoon program for boys and girls, ages seven to twelve. It will include a full scout program as well as activity groups in dramatics, crafts, dance and game room. Parents interested in obtaining more information about these groups should call the school office after 3 P.M.

Teen-Age Program

The teenager's program has been enlarged to serve this vitally important segment of the Synagogue family. Groups will be organized on varied age levels, to meet individual needs. A program of social, cultural and religious activities has been planned. The first meeting will be held shortly and invitations will be sent to all teenagers.

Youth Activities Director

This integrated youth program will be under the direction of Youth Director, Hyman R. Sankel. The Synagogue is fortunate in obtaining the services of this educator and group worker. Mr. Sankel, a public school principal, has many years of experience in working with young people. During the past four years he organized and developed highly successful youth programs at the Jamaica Jewish Center and Temple Beth El in Belle Harbor. He will provide the necessary leadership and guidance to insure the success of the extensive youth program to be held in Milton Steinberg House.

PLEASE NOTE

The telephone number of the Synagogue office has been changed to EN right 9-2600.

Senior League Meets Nov. 18

The Senior League will hold an open meeting on November 18, at 8:30 P.M. in the Auditorium of the Synagogue. A prominent speaker followed by refreshments will highlight the evening.

Mazel Tov

TO Mr. and Mrs. Louis Shampan on the Birth of a grandson, Kenneth Warren.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Edward Rosendahl on their 25th Wedding Anniversary, November 3.

TO Cantor and Mrs. David Putterman on their Wedding Anniversary, November 1.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Martin Miller on their 10th Wedding Anniversary, November 12.

TO Hon. and Mrs. Abraham N. Geller on their 25th Wedding Anniversary, November 19.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Heyman on their 35th Wedding Anniversary, November 30.

TO Hannah Honig on her 90th Birthday, November 13.

TO Dr. and Mrs. A. L. Kornzweig on the Marriage of their daughter Francine, to Herbert S. Margulies on September 12.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Armand J. Rosenberg on the birth of their son Matthew Justin, October 23.

Metropolitan Council To Hold Convention

The first all-day Annual Convention of the Metropolitan Council will take place at the Forest Hills Jewish Center on November 14. Dr. Simon Greenberg, Vice-Chancellor of the Jewish Theological Seminary, will deliver an address at the Luncheon on "The Role of the Synagogue in a Metropolitan Area". Rabbi Ben Zion Bokser, of the Forest Hills Jewish Center, will speak at the closing session on "The Emerging Pattern of American Jewish Life".

Simultaneous Seminar Sessions in the afternoon will be a main feature of the Convention. These seminars will focus on specific problems that constantly confront synagogue committees in areas of membership interest, attendance at services, youth activities, synagogue programming, budgeting, and religious schools. Emphasis will be placed on how to make each one of these phases of synagogue life more effective.

The Convention will open with a Presidents' Breakfast at 9:30 A.M. At 11 A.M. all delegates of Conservative congregations throughout the Metropolitan area will join the presidents and the Executive Committee for a business meeting. Presentation of the Annual Report of the President, an evaluation of the work of the Metropolitan Council, as well as election of officers for the ensuing two years, will take place at that time. The Seminars will follow the Luncheon, and the closing General Session is scheduled for 4:30 P.M.

The delegate from our congregation to this Convention is Benjamin Sack who will also speak at one of the Seminars.

SCHOOL NEWS

Junior Congregation

Synagogue worship is a major feature of the educational program of the Park Avenue Synagogue. On Saturday morning two separate and individual Junior Congregation Services are held at 11:00 A.M. by the students of the Religious School.

The three entering classes in the Hebrew Department conduct Junior Congregation services on the fifth floor of Milton Steinberg House. These students, under the leadership of Allan Blaine and Shulamith Scherman, are developing their own Sabbath morning services. They are becoming familiar with the synagogue and its ritual; they are learning the meaning of prayer; and they are participating in congregational singing. At the conclusion of the school year, the students will be invited to lead the services for the upper classes in the school.

The students in the second, third and fourth year of the Religious School join in Sabbath morning services in the new synagogue auditorium. A major feature of the service is the congregational singing of the liturgical music which was prepared for the congregation by Cantor Putterman. The Torah service is marked by a lively discussion of the bible-reading of the week. On the Sabbath preceeding *Rosh Chodesh*, the new moon is greeted and the congregation partakes of *Kiddush*.

The students in Class 5, who are eligible for confirmation and graduation in June 1955, join the congregants in the Main Synagogue at 11:00 A.M. In addition to participating in the services, these students also write a short analysis of the sermon and have an opportunity, in their mid-week classes, to discuss the basic ideas expressed by Rabbi Noveck.

Ballad Singer Will be Guest Artist On "Ladies Night" at Men's Club

The perennially popular and enjoyable "Ladies Night" is being held this year on Tuesday evening. November 23, and, of course will be held in the New Social Auditorium. As usual admittance is limited to the members of the Men's Club and their ladies.

There will be an orchestra for dancing, ultra-special refreshments and exceptional entertainment. Heading the list of guest artists will be Jack Brass, who has been called the "Burl Ives of Israel". A native of London, England, his career has been varied and fascinating.

After the end of World War II he was Commanding Office of the liberated Bergen Belson Concentration Camp. Later he was a member of Haganah Intelligence and, during the Israeli war a Captain in its Army. More recently he was appointed Public Relations Officer to the Hebrew University. In this capacity he made an extensive lecture tour throughout Canada, Australia and New Zealand.

At the suggestion of a great many noted American visitors to Israel, Jack Brass has come to the United States with his inimitable personality and captivating collections of folk songs, ballads and anecdotes.

Those interested in joining the Men's Club or learning more about the group should contact Dr. Sigmund Siegel, Chairman on Membership, at REgent 7-6969 or SAcremento 2-7499.

JACK BRASS

Catering Department Opens

The Synagogue is pleased to announce that the facilities for catering are now sufficiently complete and in order; so that persons interested can make arrangements for parties, dinners or weddings.

Those wishing further information may contact Sidney Katz, Executive Director at the office.

The Catering Committee headed by Nelson Ruttenberg, includes Mrs. Freda Sack and Mrs. Dorothy Sokolow.

Sisterhood Will Hold Meeting, November 16

Sisterhood's next Open Meeting will be held on Tuesday afternoon, November 16, in the Social Auditorium. The dessert luncheon starts promptly at 12:30 P.M. Members should come early and enjoy a social hour with their friends before the meeting begins.

There will be an outstanding speaker, whose name cannot be divulged as this BULLETIN goes to press.

Sisterhood was "LUCKY" to get "FANNY," a wonderful hit show, starring Ezio Pinza for its Theatre Party on Wednesday, December 8. Tickets will be distributed on a "first come, first served" basis, so checks should be sent in soon. $60 worth of ads entitles the seller to a free ticket. Those who wish to place a name on the Children's, Grandchildren's or Memorial Pages at $2 a name, should contact Mrs. Saul Granetts, 45 East End Avenue.

At Home With the
YOUNG MARRIEDS
Sunday, November 21
7:30 P.M. to Midnight
Auditorium

Fun and Refreshments for All
Dancing to "Name" Bands
The "Young Marrieds" cordially invite all members of the Congregation WHO ARE or MAY BE interested in JOINING THE GROUP to be GUESTS.

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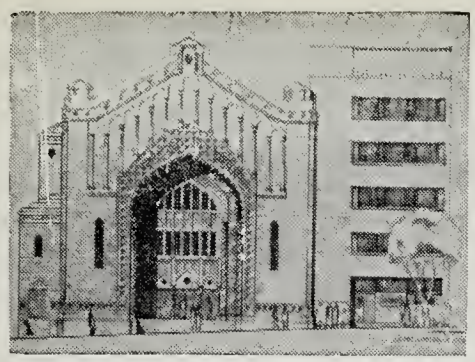
Bar Mitzvah of Leon Weisberg
Rabbi Noveck will deliver the sermon

Friday Evening, November 19 ..... 8:15 P.M.
9:15 P.M.—Dr. Milton Sapirstein and Rabbi Simon Noveck
"The Meaning of Religious Experience."
in the Auditorium

Saturday Morning, November 20 ..... 9:45 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Richard and James Kaufman
Rabbi Noveck will deliver the sermon



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Over 600 to Attend Sisterhood's Brunch, Theatre Party, Dec. 8

Following a gala Brunch at the Astor Hotel, Sisterhood's Annual Donor affair, on Wednesday, December 8, will be highlighted by a matinee performance of that unanimously applauded musical play "Fanny." Continuing along the lines of last year's success, this Sisterhood function, under the capable chairmanship of Mrs. Tubie Resnick, has sold almost all the tickets available.

Six hundred women will gather in the Belvedere Room at 11:30 A.M. December 8, and be shown to their tables by a coterie of hostesses, led by Mrs. Jacob Eastman Holzman and Mrs. Irwin Rome. Those participating will thrill to the splendid journal so ably compiled by Mrs. Saul Granetts and her committee. They will join with Mrs. William Karmiol, Sisterhood President, in applauding the splendid results achieved by Mrs. Resnick and her energetic co-chairman Mrs. Milton Sivek, the Treasurer Mrs.

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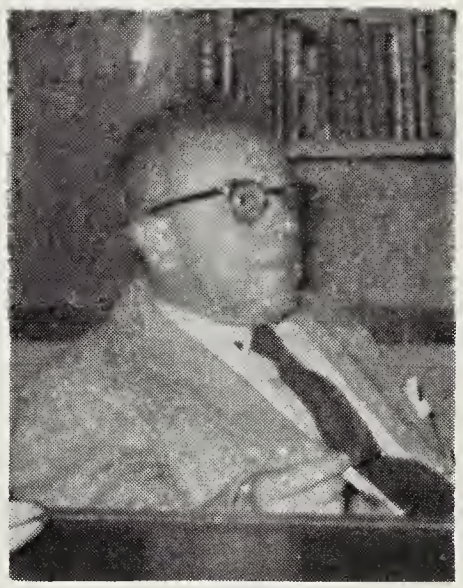
Dr. David Kairys to be Speaker With Rabbi Noveck, Nov. 26

The late Friday Evening Lectures will continue on November 26, at 9:30 P.M. in the Auditorium, following the regular Services. The topic "You and Your Conscience" will be discussed by Dr. David Kairys, a psychiatrist and Rabbi Noveck.

Dr. Kairys is a member of the Psychiatric Staff at Mt. Sinai and on the Staff of the Treatment Center of the New York Psychoanalytic Institute.

DR. DAVID KAIRYS



DR. MILTON MALEV

On Friday, December 3, Dr. Milton Malev, a practicing Psychoanalyst, will discuss "The Personal Values of Ritual" with Rabbi Noveck. In both discussions, Rabbi Noveck will present the point of view of Jewish tradition.

Dr. Malev who is a practicing Psychoanalyst, is a member of the New York Psychoanalytic Society and American Psychiatric Association.

This Friday lecture series based on the theme "What Can Man Believe?—Religion and Human Needs" will continue through December 17.

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Friday Evening, November 26 ..... 8:15 P.M.

SPECIAL READINGS IN HONOR OF THANKSGIVING
RABBI NOVECK AND CANTOR PUTTERMAN WILL OFFICIATE
9:30 P.M.—Dr. David Kairys and Rabbi Simon Noveck
"You and Your Conscience"
in the auditorium

Saturday Morning, November 27 ..... 9:45 A.M.

Bar Mitzvah of Jay Goldblatt
Rabbi Noveck will deliver the Sermon

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Saturday Morning, December 4 ..... 9:45 A.M.

Bas Mitzvah of Susan Herbert
Rabbi Noveck will deliver the Sermon

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from the desk of the Editor

The following review of Rabbi Noveck's latest publication in Adult Education appeared in the November issue of "The Jewish Spectator." We are happy to reprint this as one of the best reviews that has thus far appeared of this manual. Copies of the book are available through the Synagogue office or by calling the National Academy of Adult Jewish Studies at the Seminary.

ADULT JEWISH STUDY

"The *how* of adult Jewish education has been widely discussed," observes Rabbi Simon Noveck in his introduction to *SUGGESTED COURSES FOR ADULT STUDY*. "But," continues the director of the National Academy for Adult Jewish Studies, "*what* should be taught remains less clearly articulated."

By way of articulating this *what* and thus to provide guidance for leaders of adult Jewish study groups, Rabbi Noveck projected the publication of the *Suggested Courses* manual, which lists and outlines hundreds of courses and lectures timely and suitable for institutes, lecture series, study courses, etc. The general headings under which the courses and topics are listed are: Doctrines and Beliefs of Judaism, Customs and Ceremonies, Jewish Ethics, Judaism and the Personal life, Judaism and the Home, The Bible, General Jewish History, The American Scene, with the subdivisions of a) The Tercentenary and b) The American Jewish Community, Jews in Israel and Other Lands, The Jewish Mind: Literature and the Arts. Each of the courses and lectures listed was "tested" and presented at one of the Synagogues or Jewish Centers that cooperated with Rabbi Noveck. The name of the Synagogue and of the instructor of each course are given and it may be taken for granted that novices in quest of guidance for a particular course may feel free to write for information to the instructor who initiated this course. The Manual also has an excellent bibliography of "Teaching Aids for Adult Jewish Study," and gives precise information on where and at what price items may be obtained.

Suggested Courses for Adult Jewish Study is the most comprehensive and most useful manual of its kind thus far. It should be on the reference shelf of every Rabbi, Jewish Center director, program chairman and educator. It is replete with new suggestions and novel ideas of how to make Jewish study more relevant and more interesting, and it proves that it can be done! Adult Jewish study can be put across. Indeed, none of the courses was attended as well as it deserved and it is very likely that but one or two per cent of the total membership of a Congregation or Center enrolled for the course offered by their Rabbi and guest lecturers. But even if only one half of one per cent of the membership of the United Synagogue participated in Adult Jewish Study, analogous to the one half of one per cent of the membership of B'nai B'rith who attended the Summer Institutes, the effort was well worthwhile. At a recent Conference of B'nai B'rith Hillel Directors, Dr. Lellyveld said that if only two students on each campus where a Hillel Foundation functions study the Bible and the Talmud, the sum total is over 400. Although American Jewry numbers in the neighborhood of 6 million, its "saving remnant" is pitifully small. But for salvaging this "saving remnant" no effort must be spared. Rabbi Noveck and his co-workers, especially Mrs. Lili Edelman who collected and edited the material of *Suggested Courses for Adult Jewish Studies*, are to be warmly commended for an invaluable contribution to Jewish literacy in America.

Chairman Announces Nominating Committee

Sanford H. Cohen, Chairman of the Board has announced the appointment of the Nominating Committee of the Board of Trustees.

Members include Hon. Bernard Botein, Ezra Cohen, Harry Halbren, Harold H. Levin and Nelson Ruttenberg.

Mr. Cohen has also announced to the committee that he will not be a candidate for reelection as Chairman of the Board of Trustees.

Chairman's Letter Urges UJA Pledges

Dr. Harold A. Osserman, United Jewish Appeal Chairman for the Park Avenue Synagogue, has sent an urgent appeal to those who contributed during the recent High Holy days, and also a plea for contributions from those who have not yet given. On *Yom Kippur*, the UJA collection totaled $16,347.

In a letter to the BULLETIN he said:

"On *Yom Kippur Day*, Rabbi Simon Noveck made a stirring appeal on behalf of the United Jewish Appeal.

There is very little that I can add except to point up once again the urgency of your all-out support. The Arab boycott, blockade and raids against Israel have created a most serious problem. And too, the anti-Semitic uprisings in North Africa have created a crisis of a grave nature. The lives of tens of thousands of our people are at stake.

If you haven't made your gift yet, won't you please advise the synagogue of the amount. And if you have already given, won't you please try and give a little more. Cash is so desperately needed."

Mrs. Osserman New Prexy

Mrs. Harold A. Osserman has been appointed President of the Infants Welfare League Camps Inc. Camp Poyntelle, one of the outstanding camps for underprivileged children, is owned and operated by this League. She is the first woman ever to assume this office.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Youth Convention

The Metropolitan United Synagogue Youth held its Third Annual Convention on Armistice Day, November 11, in Laurelton, New York. Our youth groups were represented by Theodore Pincus, Stephen Stowe and Michael Bromstein. The theme of the Committee was devoted to "Programs-Key to Successful Planning."

Scouts

The Scouts Program is now in full swing. Boy Scouts meet every Wednesday at 7:30 P.M. Girl Scouts meet Fridays at 3:30 P.M. They are in the process of forming a Cub Scout group for boys age 7 to 10, and a Brownie Troop for girls age 7 to 9. Parents interested in having their children join any of these groups call Hy Sankel at the school office.

Teen Agers

Two clubs for teen agers have already been organized. They meet Sundays at 3:00 P.M. in the Milton Steinberg House. Boys and girls of ages 13 to 17 are cordially invited to attend.

The first meeting held on Sunday, November 21 was highly successful. A program for the year was outlined and the response was very enthusiastic. Refreshments were served and dancing followed.

Afternoon Program

An afternoon special activity club program for children, ages 7 to 13. is being planned in the fields of athletics, dramatics, music, arts and crafts and folk dance. A survey questionnaire to ascertain the needs and desires of the youngsters has been distributed to all students in the Religious School. Parents are urged to return the questionnaire to the school so that the individual club groups may be organized.

Sisterhood

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Sigmund Siegel, the Publicity chairman Mrs. Edward Peiper, and all their dedicated co-workers.

Just before leaving for the Majestic Theatre one "Lucky" person will be awarded the Grand Prize of a week's vacation in Florida for two by Mrs. Shy Rosen, the Prize Chairman.

All those who have not yet done so should set aside December 8 as the day to join with Sisterhood in fulfilling its pledge toward the completion of the Milton Steinberg House. This will be everyone's LUCKY DAY!

Parents Group Holds Open Meeting Dec. 1

The Executive Board of the Parents Asssociation held a luncheon on November 15 in the Auditorium of the Park Avenue Synagogue in honor of mothers of children who have entered the Religious School for the first time this fall. Mrs. Bernard Grauer, chairman, and Mrs. William Halpern, co-chairman, ably assisted by members of the Executive Board, did a splendid job in planning the affair.

After a delicious luncheon, Mrs. Herman Helpern, President of the Parents Association, greeted the guests and outlined the aims and purposes of organization. Rabbi Simon Noveck, Cantor David Putterman, and Martin Leichtling, Principal of the Religious School, also addressed the gathering.

The 8th Annual Book Fair, sponsored by the Parents Association, will begin on Wednesday, December 1 and will continue through Tuesday, December 7. Mrs. George Heyman, chairman, has arranged an extensive display of books on Jewish life and thought aimed to increase pride in the rich treasury of Jewish literature. There will be a wide range of record albums of Jewish music, as well as an exhibit of aesthetic ceremonial objects of art available as rare gifts for the *Chanukah* Holidays and for other occasions.

To stimulate interest in the Book Fair, the Parents Association will sponsor a Poster Contest for the students of the Religious School.

The first open meeting will take place on Wednesday, December 1, at 8:30 P.M. in the Auditorium. Teachers of the Religious School will be present to meet the parents. An outstanding lecturer will speak on a topic of vital interest pertaining to teen-agers. After a question and answer period, refreshments will be served and a social evening will follow.

IN MEMORIAM

The Parents Assocation has suffered a tragic loss in the untimely death of Harriet Howe, its first president.

It was through her capable leadership and devotion that the organization became one of the active branches of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

Victor Herwitz Elected Met. Council President

The Metropolitan Council of the United Synagogue of America announced today the election of Victor J. Herwitz as its new president to serve until 1956. He succeeds Charles Altman of the Forest Hills Jewish Center, who served as president for two years.

An Acting Corporation Counsel of the Law Department of the City of New York in charge of the Division of General Litigation, Mr. Herwitz has been active in Jewish communal and religious affairs. He is now campaign chairman of the Manhattan Division of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies, and a Trustee and School Board Chairman of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

The Metropolitan Council is composed of more than 100 synagogues in the Conservative movement. It has a membership of more than 40,000 families in the New York area.

Elected with Mr. Herwitz were Manuel Sydney of the Society for the Advancement of Judaism, vice-president; Ben Markowe of the Brooklyn Jewish Center, Treasurer; and Arno Dienstag of the East Midwood Jewish Center, Secretary. Charles Altman was elected Honorary President.

Members who attended the convention from the Park Avenue Synagogue were: Jacob Klein, Archie Thurman, Benjamin Sack, Sidney R. Katz and Israel B. Oseas.

SCHOOL NEWS

Student-Teachers

Three years ago, the Primary Department of the Hebrew School, instituted a student-teacher program for the young women of the Graduation-Confirmation Class. Each year some of the graduates accepted the opportunity to work with the regularly appointed Sunday teachers. This year the school has the good fortune of having the services, for a second year, of Sandra Gevirtz and Doris Wimpfheimer, and also welcomes to its staff Marilyn Schneider and Susan Wimpfheimer of the Confirmation Class of 1954.

The student-teachers, under the guidance of the regular teachers, are given opportunities to observe the instruction; to assist with the instruction; to discuss teaching techniques; and to instruct the children in particular phases of the lesson.

Young Marrieds to Hear "Iron Curtain" Speaker

As their third offering along the general theme of the Tercentenary, the Young Married Group will have as their guest speaker on Tuesday, December 14, Dr. Bela Fabian, former member of the Board of the Budapest Jewish Community and former president of the Independent Democratic Party of Hungary. A victim of both Nazi and Communist persecutions, survivor of Auschwitz, Oranienburg, Sachsenhausen and Ohrduf concentration camps, and currently a political exile from Communism, Dr. Fabian will speak on the topic "Jews Behind the Iron Curtain", a subject on which he was recently called upon to testify before the House Un-American Activities Committee.

The importance and prominence of both speaker and topic give every indication of a large turnout from the entire Synagogue. In view of this, the group's business meeting will begin promptly at 8:30 P.M. and will end in time for Dr. Fabian to begin his discussion at 9:00 P.M., at which time all persons are invited to be present.

J. Steinberg to Phi Bete

Jonathan Steinberg, son of our late Rabbi Milton Steinberg and Mrs. Steinberg, has been elected to Phi Beta Kappa Society, the honorary society for academic studies at Harvard College.

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Adult Education

Program for Monday Evenings November 29 and December 6

7:30 to 7:55 P.M.

Cantillation—Cantor David J. Putterman.

8:00 to 8:55 P.M.

1. Choral Music—Cantor Putterman
2. Hebrew (elementary)—Mr. Eliezer Whartman
3. Hebrew (intermediate)—Mr. Baruch Hochman
4. Hebrew (advanced)—Mrs. Drora Whartman

5. DRAMATIC MOMENTS IN JEWISH HISTORY

November 29—Cyrus Grants Permission to Rebuild the Jewish State.

DR. PHILIP RIEBENFELD, Director of Securities Department of the Palestine Economic Corporation, was a well-known leader in Jewish communal and Zionist activities in Great Britain, and is on the Executive Committee of the Zionist Organization of America.
He is a member of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

This lecture will cover the dramatic edict of Cyrus granting permission for the Jews to return to Palestine at the beginning of the 5th Century B.C. Drawing upon his rich background in Zionism, Dr. Riebenfeld will compare the rebuilding of the second Jewish State under Ezra and Nehemiah and the problems facing the State of Israel today.

December 6—The Bible is Translated Into Greek.

RABBI NOVECK.

This lecture will deal with the impact of Hellenism on Judaism. Rabbi Noveck will discuss the dramatic background to the translation of the Bible into Greek for the first time and the influence this event had on the development of Jewish philosophy.

9:00 to 10:00 P.M.

JUDAISM FOR MODERN MAN

November 29—The Problem of Evil.

RABBI WAXMAN, spiritual leader of Temple Israel, Great Neck, L. I. He is a member of the Executive Council of the Rabbinical Assembly and editor of the Assembly Annual. Rabbi Waxman is well-known to the members af the Park Avenue Synagogue where he has conducted classes in the Adult Education Program.

Rabbi Waxman will deal with the age-old problem of why the righteous suffer and the wicked often prosper. He will trace the point of view of Jewish tradition, citing from the Book of Job with its classical formulation of this problem, and from the writings of the Medievel Jewish philosophers, each of whom presented his own view.

December 6—The Doctrine of Revelation.

DR. MAX KADUSHIN, Rabbi of the Conservative Synagogue of Riverdale. He has lectured widely for lay and rabbinnical groups in various parts of the country, including the Teachers Institute and Rabbinical School of the Jewish Theological Seminary. He is the author of *The Theology of Seder Eliahu*, *Organic Thinking* and *The Rabbinic Mind*.

Jewish Theology Series Opens Monday, Dec. 6

Beginning on Monday evening, December 6, as part of the regular Monday night adult education program, the Fifth Annual Series of Lectures on Jewish Theology, which is dedicated to the memory of Rabbi Steinberg, will take place.

This year's series will deal with three vital themes. On December 6, Dr. Max Kadushin will discuss "The Doctrine of Revelation." He will present the teachings of Jewish tradition on revelation and will answer such questions as: Is the Bible divinely revealed? How did the rabbis of the Talmud understand this notion of revelation? Is the Jewish doctrine of revelation compatible with modern religious thinking? Dr. Kadushin is the rabbi of the newly formed Conservative Synagogue in Riverdale.

On December 13, Rabbi Samuel Rosenblatt, who is coming from Baltimore, especially to deliver this lecture, will speak on "What We Jews Believe About Immortality."

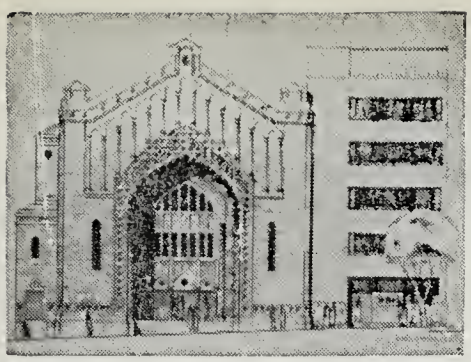
"The Jewish View of Man" will be discussed by Rabbi Alexander Burnstein on December 13. He will review the attitude of Judaism towards man, drawing upon the teachings of the Bible and *Talmud*.

First Wedding Planned In New Steinberg House

The first wedding of the Synagogue since the new Milton Steinberg House has been in operation will take place on Sunday afternoon, December 19, at 4:00 P.M.

The proud parents are Mr. and Mrs. Harold Frankel, members of the synagogue, whose daughter Aleta is marrying Bernard Frechtman of Brooklyn.

A reception in the brand new Ballroom and Lounge of the Synagogue and Milton Steinberg House will follow the ceremony, which will be officiated by Rabbi Simon Noveck and Cantor Putterman with George Crook at the organ.



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Federation to Launch Campaign with Brunch

Key leaders and workers in the Synagogue's annual effort for the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies will attend a brunch Sunday, December 12, at 11:00 A.M. in the Steinberg House.

Announcement of the event, and those in charge of arrangements for the fourth annual brunch in behalf of Federation, was made this week by Sanford H. Cohen, Chairman of the Board.

The committee includes: Milton Weill, honorary chairman; Dr. Seymour Wimpfheimer, chairman; Sidney J. Silberman, chairman of the Young Men's Division, and Victor Herwitz, overall chairman of the Manhattan Division.

Invitations have already been mailed to the Synagogue's Federation leaders brunch, which launches the Park Avenue Synagogue's participation in Federation's current campaign for $16,950,000.

Funds contributed in this humanitarian appeal go to the support of 116 hospitals and social agencies throughout New York area serving 600,000 people.

Rabbi Binstock, Dr. Franzblau to be Guest Lecturers, Friday Eve, Dec. 10

The concluding lectures of the Friday Evening Series will be held on December 10, and 17, at 9:15 P.M. The series entitled "What Can a Man Believe—Religion and Human Needs" will be completed with lectures by Dr. Abraham Franzblau and Rabbi Louis Binstock discussing "Psychoanalysis and Jewish Values" on Friday, December 10, and Dr. Paul Friedman and Rabbi Noveck analyzing "The Need to Belong" on December 17.

Dr Abraham N. Franzblau is Dean of the School of Education and Sacred Music, and Professor of Pastoral Psychiatry at Hebrew Union College, Cincinnati. He is Assistant in Psychiatry at Mt. Sinai Hospital. A well known author, his most recent book is "The Road to Sexual Maturity." Others include: "Reform Judaism in the Large Cities," "Religious Belief and Character" and "Twenty-Five Years of Training Rabbis at Hebrew Union College."

Rabbi Louis Binstock, who will give the religious point of view on "Psychoanalysis and Jewish Values," is Rabbi of Temple Sholom, the Temple-on-the-Lake in Chicago. Author of the best seller "The Power of Faith," much of his time is spent in counseling people on various problems. His congregation today is probably the largest Jewish congregation in the country. Active in civic affairs, he has served as President of the New Orleans Rotary Club and the

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The Meaning of Chanukah

(*Adapted from WHAT THE JEWS BELIEVE by Rabbi Philip S. Bernstein.*)

Chanukah is an historical and deeply spiritual holiday. It commemorates the Jewish nation's successful struggle against oppression by Antiochus IV. This Syrian ruler was one of those who inherited part of the empire of Alexander the Great. Zealous Hellenist and unifier, he sought to impose Greek ways on the people whom he ruled. Some of the Jews yielded to the blandishments of the pleasant Greek customs or to curry favor with the King. However, the Hebraic genius sensed the fatal danger in this process and expressed itself in a revolt of the common people. Led by Mattathias, an elderly priest in the town of Modin and later by his son, Judah the Maccabee, they strove to cast off the oppressive yoke. At first shouting, "Whosoever is zealous of the Law, let him follow me," Mattathias led the attack on Jews who were disloyal to their faith. Then Judah, apparently a military genius, organized his loyal followers into bands which carried on successful guerrilla operations against the foreign oppressors. The odds were against them for they were ill-equipped and vastly outnumbered. But they were fighting for their homes, their faith and their freedom. As the months passed, as early defeats were transformed into victories, they demonstrated the historic validity of Zechariah's promise. "Not by might, not by power, but by My spirit, saith the Lord."

By the early winter of 165 B.C. they delivered the last decisive blows to the demoralized armies of Antiochus. Judah marched victoriously into Jerusalem. A single undefiled cruse of oil was found. Tradition has it that this single flask provided enough oil to burn not for one, but for eight days.

Ever since, the Jews have celebrated in the Hebrew month of *Kislev* the festival of *Chanukah*—which means dedication. The Book of Maccabees is read. Special prayers of rejoicing are sung for the wonders God wrought for His people. Jewish homes are gladdened with eight nights of celebration and gift giving. Candles are lit, one on the first night, two the second—until finally eight are kindled on the last night.

The basic issue of the Maccabean struggle was religious freedom. The Jews fought for their right to worship their God in their own way. This struggle apparently is never completely won. We have learned this again in our generation. It is interesting to speculate on what this victory of the spirit has meant in human history. If Judaism had been destroyed in the second century before Jesus, would Christianity have come into the world, or Mohammedanism? Both were products of Judaism; both derived sustenance from the living Jewish people.

The Jews have understood that not only their survival as a people, but their faith, the Jewish soul, was at stake. For this reason, perhaps, the *Hallel*, stirring psalm of praise, is chanted on *Chanukah* but not on *Purim* which commemorates also the deliverance of the people. The Gerer Rebbi, once renowned Chassidic leader of Eastern Jewry, thus explains the greater importance of *Chanukah*. "On *Purim* we were saved from the attempt to destroy the body of the Jew; but on *Chanukah* we were rescued from the decree that would have destroyed our soul."

Friday Lectures

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Chicago Urban League. He also delivered the invocation for three National Democratic Party Conventions.

The following Friday, Dr. Paul Friedman will discuss the psychological approach to "The Need to Belong." Dr. Friedman is a member of the New York Psychoanalytic Society, the American Psychiatric Society and an Associate in Neuro-Psychiatry at Beth Israel Hospital. Rabbi Noveck will present the point of view of Jewish tradition on this topic.

An Oneg Shabbat will follow each of these lectures.

Chanukah Gift Display

Chanukah may be celebrated this year with unique gifts from Israel as well as traditional modern and miniature menorahs lighted by multi-colored candles from Israel.

Gifts for the young people include, key rings, money clips, tie clasps, lockets, bracelets and magnificently colored large dreidels. Other games and books for the whole family may be purchased at the book fair. Menorahs and candles may be purchased any time through the Synagogue office or by calling Mrs. Milton Heller, ATwater 9-5500.

The attractive display in the lobby of Milton Steinberg House was created by Mrs. Heller, Chairman for Sisterhood of Ceremonial Objects.

Brunch, Theatre Party Given by Sisterhood

On Wednesday, December 8, Sisterhood held its annual Brunch and Theatre Party.

The Brunch which was held at the Hotel Astor featured a delicious menu. Colorful red and white floral decorations on the tables were so designed that each flower was a boutonniere. The red and white color scheme was further carried out in the strawberries on the fruit cup and on the ice cream. Useful, unusual souvenirs were distributed to each guest.

"Fanny," the musical starring Ezio Pinza and Walter Slezak, was thoroughly enjoyed by all, and the day was acclaimed a social and financial success.

The next Open Meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 18. The next BULLETIN will give further details.

Sr. League Plans Dec. Events

The Senior League will hold an afternoon dance on Sunday, December 12 from 3 to 7 P.M. in the newly decorated Auditorium of the Synagogue. All young people are invited to attend.

On December 16, the group will hold its monthly meeting in the Auditorium of the synagogue at 8:30 P.M. The speaker and topic have not yet been chosen, but cards will be sent to members.

The Senior League is open for new members, and for that purpose a Membership tea was held on Sunday, December 5. Those who were not able to attend the tea and are interested in joining the group may contact the president, Philip Winters, by writing or phoning the synagogue office.

Dr. Bela Fabian to be Young Married's Guest

As their third offering along the general theme of the Tercentenary, the Young Married Group will have as their guest speaker on Tuesday, December 14, Dr. Bela Fabian, former member of the Board of the Budapest Jewish Community and former president of the Independent Democratic Party of Hungary. A victim of both Nazi and Communist persecutions, survivor of Auschwitz, Oranienburg, Sachsenhausen and Ohrduf concentration camps, and currently a political exile from Communism, Dr. Fabian will speak on the topic "Jews Behind the Iron Curtain", a subject on which he was recently called upon to testify before the House Un-American Activities Committee.

The importance and prominence of both speaker and topic give every indication of a large turnout from the entire Synagogue. In view of this, the group's business meeting will begin promptly at 8:30 P.M. and will end in time for Dr. Fabian to begin his discussion at 9:00 P.M., at which time all persons are invited to be present. Questions and a collation will follow.

Mr. & Mrs. Group Holds Tercentenary Lectures

The Mr. and Mrs. Group is marking the Tercentenary of the first Jewish settlement in New Amsterdam, by conducting a survey of American Jewish History. The first meeting was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Selig, on the evening of November 22. Dr. Arthur Hyman spoke most interestingly on the role of the Jews in the American Revolution, and his talk was followed by a spirited discussion.

The next meeting of the group will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Brin, 300 Central Park West, New York City, on December 21, beginning at 8:30 P.M. An outstanding speaker will discuss Judah Touro and Mordecai Emanuel Noah, and the Rise of Jewish Philanthropy.

Members of the Synagogue and their friends who are interested in joining the Group, are invited to contact Rabbi Noveck or Franklin M. Simet, this season's Group President, for further information.

Mazel Tov

TO Mr. and Mrs. Fred H. Krones on the Birth of their son, Michael, November 24.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Le Roy Weisberger on the Birth of their son.

TO Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Amsterdam on their 40th Wedding Anniversary, December 1.

TO Mr. and Mrs. William Wigar on their 25th Wedding Anniversary, December 15.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Abe Weinberg on their 30th Wedding Anniversary, December 25.

TO Dr. and Mrs. Herman Helpern on their 20th Wedding Anniversary, December 30.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Weinberg on the Engagement of their son, Charles, to Dorothy Lipgar.

SCHOOL NEWS

Winter Recess

The Religious School will begin its annual winter vacation on Saturday, December 25. Students will report back to classes on Monday, January 3, 1955.

Report Cards

The distribution of report cards to the students in the Hebrew Department of the Religious School will take place shortly before *Chanukah*. This will give parents an opportunity to discuss with their children the report card marks and, particularly, the teacher's personal comments evaluating the work of the student.

Chanukah Parties

On Saturday evening, December 18, students of the Hebrew Department will hold their annual *Chanukah* Party in the new Auditorium in the Synagogue. The party will be under the guidance of the teachers and the class mothers of the Parents Association. The program will include the *Havdalah*, a candle-lighting ceremony, holiday songs and games, social and folk dancing, and refreshments.

On Sunday morning, December 19, individual class parties will be held by the students in the Primary Department of the school. The class mothers will, once again, add to the festivities by serving the students the traditional *latkes* and applesauce.

NY Police Commissioner To Address Men's Club

Men's Club has invited Frances W. H. Adams, Police Commissioner of the City of New York, to be the speaker at the forthcoming meeting, Tuesday, December 21, at 8:15 P.M.

Undoubtedly Mr. Adams needs little or no introduction to the readers of the BULLETIN for his name is continually before the public as a result of the forceful and fearless way he has been performing the duties of his office. This meeting will be a most interesting, stimulating and informative one.

The Honorable Abraham N. Geller, Judge of the Court of General Sessions, and a member of the Men's Club, has been chosen to present Commissioner Adams to the group. All men of the congregation are urged to attend and to bring their friends.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Scouts

Leadership for the scout program is urgently needed. Many boys and girls, age 7 to 10, have indicated a desire to join scout groups but there are no leaders to supervise them. Those who are interested in this work should contact the Youth Activities Director, Hy Sankel.

The Girl Scouts, under the leadership of Phyllis Brandwein, visited the Museum of Art on Friday, November 26. They spent a very enjoyable afternoon.

Teen Agers

Registration for teen age club is still open. Meetings are held every Sunday at 3:00 P.M. in the Milton Steinberg Memorial House. Social dancing follows each meeting. The youth lounge will open soon to members of these clubs. One of the highlights of a recent meeting was Square and Israeli Folk Dancing.

A *Chanukah* Party will be held for all Teen Agers in the Auditorium of the Synagogue on Saturday evening, December 18, at 8:30 P.M. A program of songs, games, dancing and entertainment is being planned for the evening.

Invitations to the *Chanukah* Party will be mailed to all teen agers who have attended the regular Sunday afternoon meetings. Others may secure invitations by calling the School Office any afternoon after 3:00 P.M.

Adult Education

Program for Monday Evenings December 13 and 20

7:30 to 7:55 P.M.

Cantillation—Cantor David J. Putterman.

8:00 to 8:55 P.M.

1. Choral Music—Cantor Putterman
2. Hebrew (elementary)—Mr. Eliezer Whartman
3. Hebrew (intermediate)—Mr. Baruch Hochman
4. Hebrew (advanced)—Mrs. Drora Whartman

5. DRAMATIC MOMENTS IN JEWISH HISTORY

December 13—Johanan ben Zakkai Establishes Academy at Yavneh.

December 20—The Crucification of Jesus.

9:00 to 10:00 P.M.

MILTON STEINBERG MEMORIAL LECTURES

December 13—WHAT WE JEWS BELIEVE ABOUT IMMORTALITY.

RABBI SAMUEL ROSENBLATT is the spiritual leader of Temple *Beth Tfilah* in Baltimore. He is Associate Professor of Oriental Languages at John Hopkins University, president of the Mizrach Organization of Baltimore and the Jewish Religious Council there. He is the author of the recently published biography of his father "*Yossele Rosenblatt.*"

Rabbi Rosenblatt will trace the origin of the notion of immortality at the end of the Second Temple days, indicate the differences of opinion between the Pharisees and the Sadducees, and present the teachings of the *Talmud* and the Jewish philosophers of the Middle Ages on immortality.

December 20—THE JEWISH VIEW OF MAN

RABBI ALEXANDER BURNSTEIN, spiritual leader of the Millinery Center Synagogue in New York. He teaches Bible and Jewish Philosophy at the Seminary School of Jewish Studies, is a member of the Editorial Board of the publication, *Conservative Judaism*, and the author of many articles in the *Reconstructionist*, *Journal of Religion*, among others. He is the author of a forthcoming essay on Reinhold Niebuhr's philosophy and Judaism, which is being published in the second series of "Living Theology" in honor of Dr. Niebuhr.

He will review the attitude of Judaism towards man, drawing upon the teachings of the Bible and *Talmud*.

Following the sessions on December 20, there will be a two week recess, after which classes will be resumed on January 10.

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Parents Group Will Hold First Meeting Dec. 15; Plans Chanukah Workshop, Book Fair Dec. 12-16

The first open meeting of the Parents Association will be held on Wednesday, December 15, at 8:30 P.M. in the Auditorium of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

Preceeding the lecture, there will be an opportunity for the parents to meet the teachers of the Religious School. Mrs. Jean Schick Grossman, President of the Tri-State Council on Family Relations of Connecticut, New Jersey and New York, will discuss "The Adolescent in Today's Family."

MRS. JEAN S. GROSSMAN

Appointed by the State Board of Regents, Mrs. Grossman has served on the New York State Parent Education Committee for many years. She has taught a course on Family Life and Parent Education at Mills College of Education, and for twelve years has been an active member of the staff of the Child Study Association. Mrs. Grossman is the author of several books and magazine articles. "Life with the Family"; "Do You Know Your Daughter?"; "You Don't Have to be Perfect—Even if you're a Parent", are among the best known of her works.

After a question and answer period, refreshments will be served, and a social evening will follow.

The annual *Chanukah* parties for students of the Religious School will be conducted by the school with the cooperation of the Parents Association. In addition to the class room celebrations, the Parents Assocation will sponsor a party for the children of the Religious School on Saturday evening, December 18.

Under the capable chairmanship of Mrs. Stanley Simon and Mrs. A. Stangel, plans are under way again this year for a *Chanukah* Workshop. To stimulate interest in the traditional observance of *Chanukah* in the home, the exhibit will include appropriate decorations, games and gifts.

The annual Book Fair will commence Sunday, December 12 and will continue through December 16. Mrs. George Heyman, chairman, and Mrs. Leon Klein and Mrs. Harry Zucker, co-chairmen, have arranged an extensive exhibition of books on Jewish life and thought, as well as record albums on Jewish music. Also on display will be many unusual, ceremonial objects of art suitable as gifts for *Chanukah* and other occasions.

Young People's Group Meets

The Young People's Group of the Park Avenue Synagogue will hold a cocktail party on Sunday afternoon, December 26, from 5:00 until 7:00 P.M. in the home of Irwin Spiegel, 144 West 86 Street. Any person interested in joining the group should contact Irwin Spiegel at TRafalgar 7-6747.

Yiskor Elohim

CARRIE MANHEIMER
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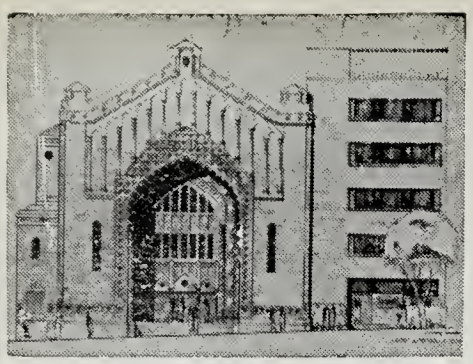
mother of Mrs. Jacob Rosenblum



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Adult Ed. Courses Reopen January 10

The regular Monday evening classes of the Adult Education Program will resume for the second semester on January 10. Cantor Putterman will hold his class in Cantillation at 7:30 P.M and the Choral Group will meet at 8:00 P.M.

The course on DRAMATIC MOMENTS IN JEWISH HISTORY at 8:00 P.M will be continued. On January 10 Dr. Arthur Hyman will talk on "Torquemada and the Expulsion of the Jews from Spain." Dr. Hyman teaches Jewish History and Religion at the Seminary School of Jewish Studies. Classes in Elementary and Intermediate Hebrew will also be held at 8:00 P.M.

The Major Lecture Series on JUDAISM AND MODERN MAN continues at 9:00 P.M. Having covered the major theological principles of Judaism, the course will now deal with the point of view of Jewish tradition on education, human nature and democracy and the social and ethical teachings of Judaism.

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Maurice Samuel to be Guest Speaker At Second Friday Lecture Series

On Friday evening, January 7, the Committee on Adult Education will launch its second series of lecture-forums, following the regular Friday Evening Services, on the theme "Religious Affirmations in Modern Literature." These lectures will bring to the Park Avenue Synagogue such outstanding literary figures as Maurice Samuel, Ludwig Lewisohn, Professor Israel Efros and Charles Angoff, each of whom will discuss a phase of contemporary literature and some of the great moral affirmations that flow from it.

On January 7, Maurice Samuel will deal with the subject, "What Yiddish Literature Can Teach Us." He will discuss the world of Sholom Aleichem, Peretz and Mendele Mocher S'forim, and give readings from the works of these authors with a commentary. Mr. Samuel has been giving such interpretive readings at the 92nd Street "Y" with overwhelming success.

For more than thirty years Maurice Samuel has devoted the major part of his talents as writer and lecturer to the transmission and interpretation of Jewish values to the English-speaking world. In his books and lectures he is concerned with the world of today, and with the past only as it manifests itself in actual, living forces which are moulding the future. Apart from translations of contemporary Jewish writers, Mr. Samuel has written a number of orginal works, among them *Harvest in the Desert, The Gentleman and the Jew* and *Prince of the Ghetto.*

On January 14, Professor Israel Efros will speak on "Spiritual Values in Modern Hebrew Literature," dealing with the quest for God and self in Hebrew creative writing today. He will read from his own translation of Bialik, Tschernichovsky and Lamdan and other immortals of our time.

Professor Efros is Associate Professor of Hebrew at Hunter College. He served as dean of the Baltimore Hebrew College, professor of Semitics at the University of Buffalo and as visiting professor at the Jewish Theological Seminary and Dropsie College. He is honorary president of the Histadruth Ivrith and vice-president of the American Academy for Jewish Research. Among his most recent writings are "*Zahav,*" a prize-winning epic, a translation of Hamlet and Shakespeare's "*Timon of Athens*" into Hebrew, and a new collection of Hebrew poems "*Goral u Fitom*" (Destiny and Suddenly).

These lecture forums will take place following the Services which begin promptly at 8:15 P.M. It is a full Service conducted by Rabbi Noveck and Cantor Putterman. The combined Service and adult program has attracted the largest attendance at Friday night Services during recent years.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday Evening, January 7 .....8:15 P.M.

RABBI NOVECK and CANTOR PUTTERMAN WILL OFFICIATE

9:15 P.M. — Maurice Samuel will discuss:

" What Yiddish Literature Can Teach Us"

Saturday Morning, January 8 .....9:45 A.M.

Rabbi Noveck will deliver the Sermon

Friday Evening, January 14 .....8:15 P.M.

RABBI NOVECK and CANTOR PUTTERMAN WILL OFFICIATE

9:15 P.M. — Prof. Israel Efros will speak on:

"Spiritual Values in Modern Hebrew Literature"

Saturday Morning, January 15 .....9:45 A.M.

Bar Mitzvah of Richard Fread

Rabbi Noveck will deliver the Sermon

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Hebrew Courses In Higher Education

(The following information is a condensation of an article that recently appeared in an issue of the Reconstructionist *and may be of great interest to many readers of the* BULLETIN.)

One of the most significant cultural achievements of New York City Jewry in recent decades is the study of Hebrew in the public schools and in the City Colleges of New York.

As the fruit of many years of unremitting effort by the Hebrew Culture Council, an affiliate of the Jewish Education Committee of New York, and its director Judah Lapson, the study of Hebrew was introduced into 31 New York High Schools. The colleges within the framework of the College of the City of New York have also instituted similar courses of study, and have recruited brilliant teachers to instruct their students.

In time, the study of Hebrew began to spread into the public high schools of several large cities throughout the nation. Soon, there was a very important increase in the number of colleges and universities which accepted Hebrew in fulfillment of entrance language requirements and even introduced their own courses in the subject.

These very substantial achievements opened up vast opportunities for the study of Hebrew in the public schools and colleges on a scale unprecedented in the three hundred year history of American Jewry. Since June 1953, Hebrew has been introduced into fifteen additional junior high schools, bringing the number of junior high schools now offering Hebrew to the total of 28. Parents should discuss with their seventh-grade children, the advisability of studying Hebrew. Many parents may not know that a junior high school which does not offer Hebrew at present will introduce that subject if a minimum of thirty-five students request it. This is an additional opportunity, especially for pupils not now attending Hebrew schools.

On the collegiate level, students in New York City enjoy an unexcelled opportunity to begin or continue their study of Hebrew under inspiring teachers, prominent scholars and creative writers and poets. A listing of only the heads of college departments of Hebrew constitutes a galaxy of Hebrew fame: Professors Efros at Hunter College, A. Halkin at City College, Katsch at N.Y.U., Wallenrod at Brooklyn College; also Professor Mendelsohn, who teaches in the Semitics Department at Columbia, and Mr. Gartner at Queens College. Hebrew may be studied in fulfillment of the language requirement for the bachelor's degree, or it may be taken as an "elective" to meet general requirements for college graduation.

It sometimes happens that, after years of estrangement since Hebrew school, a college student in an elective course "discovers" the values of Hebrew literature and awakens to the impact of the Hebrew genius. Eventually, few other courses may turn out to have been more meaningful and personally helpful than these Hebrew courses taught in the free and expansive atmosphere of the liberal American college.

Seminary's NPC to Hold Convention February 11

The National Planning Committee of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, in cooperation with the United Synagogue and the Rabbinical Assembly, will hold its annual mid-winter meeting from February 11 to 13 at the Hotel DiLido, Miami Beach, Florida, according to Daniel G. Ross, of New York, NPC chairman.

The program will include one meeting, the closing session, open to the public. *Spiritual Statesmanship—A Program for Moral Standards*, will be the subject.

Members of the New York Metropolitan Cabinet of the NPC include Daniel G. Albert, chairman, Herman Greenberg, Herman Levin, Charles Altman, Victor Leff, Samuel Brochstein and Victor Herwitz. Greater New York members of the NPC number more than 200.

SCHOOL NEWS

School Reopens

Hebrew Department .....Mon., Jan. 3
Primary Department .....Sun., Jan. 9

Bar Mitzvah Orientation

Rabbi Noveck has announced that the first meeting of the Bar Mitzvah Orientation Course will be held on Wednesday, January 5, at 5:00 P.M. in the Milton Steinberg House. In a series of meetings the group will study the historical background of the ceremony, its significance in modern life, and its role in the educational and religious guidance of the young person.

All boys and girls, who will be Bar Mitzvah or Bas Mitzvah between January 1955 and September 1955, are required to attend the course.

Award Winner

Susan Jacob, a member of the Graduating Class of June 1955, has been declared a winner in a city-wide contest conducted by the Hebrew Culture Council. Hundreds of Junior High School and High School students participated in this Jewish History contest which was held last May at the Washington Irving High School.

At an impressive ceremony, Miss Jacob and the other winners recently received their individual certificates and awards. In addition, the Library of the Park Avenue Synagogue will receive a gift of a number of books inscribed with Miss Jacob's name.

R. Weinberg Receives Honors

Robert Weinberg, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Weinberg has been elected President of the London School of Economics of the University of London. He is in London on a Fulbright scholarship for the second year.

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MAURICE SAMUEL

January 7, 1955

Topic: **"What Yiddish Literature Can Teach Us"**

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PROFESSOR ISRAEL EFROS

January 14, 1955

Topic: **"Spiritual Values in Modern Hebrew Literature"**

The quest for God and self in Hebrew creative writing in Israel and America. In addition to Bialik, Tschernichovsky and Lamdan, the search for faith among contemporary Israeli poets will be considered.

LUDWIG LEWISOHN

January 28, 1955

Topic: **"Religious Motifs in Modern English-Jewish Classics"**

The works of Zangwill, Morgenstern and Abram Klein will be discussed with readings from the originals. Mr. Lewisohn will also comment on some of his own books which have become classics of our generation.

CHARLES ANGOFF

February 4, 1955

Topic: **"Man's Search For Himself in Contemporary American Literature"**

A survey of contemporary novels, short stories and plays dealing with Jewish characters and situations, written by Jews and non-Jews, including the writings of Herman Wouk, Clifford Odets, Irwin Shaw, James Yaffe and others.

On Friday evening, January 21, the Parents Association of the Synagogue will sponsor a lecture by Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt as part of the regular Friday Evening Services.

Catering Dept. Opened At Bar Mitzvah Dec. 11

During the weekend of December 11 and 12 our brand new kitchens were used for the first time by a caterer for catered functions.

On Saturday, December 11 Mr. and Mrs. Martin Levine celebrated the Bar Mitzvah of their son Laurence, which took place in the Synagogue early that morning. Everyone enjoyed a very happy and gay smorgasbord Kiddush.

The Levine family as was the case of several other families who in recent weeks have had dinner parties outside of our Synagogue in connection with Bar Mitzvahs, regretted the fact that the Synagogue was unable to assure them months ago that it would have been in a position to cater parties as early as this fall.

Many families with Bar Mitzvah celebrations coming up in the spring have begun to make arrangements for dinner parties at the Synagogue directly following the Religious Services.

Persons wishing to make arrangements for parties should call the office of the Synagogue ENright 9-2600 and make their arrangements with the Executive Director, Sidney R. Katz.

Adult Classes

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The first lecture on January 10 will be given by Rabbi Mordecai Waxman of Temple Israel, Great Neck, who will talk on "The Life Cycle of the Jew." He will discuss the teachings of Judaism in handling the crucial moments of our lives: marriage, death, the birth of a child and Bar Mitzvah, presenting the origin and background to these important ceremonies. On January 17 Rabbi Noveck will discuss "Judaism and Democracy."

Details about Professor Albert Salomon's course on SOCIOLOGY AND RELIGION, will be given in the next issue of the BULLETIN.

Library Reopens Exhibit

In response to public demand, the New York Public Library will reopen on January 3 its Tercentenary Exhibit which was on display at the Library from September to December. Fifty of the Seminary Library's rarest and most valuable objects are featured in the exhibit.

Mazel Tov

TO Mr. and Mrs. George Osserman on the Birth of their fourth child, Bernard Leo, and to his grandparents, Dr. and Mrs. Harold Osserman.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Harold Frankel on the Marriage of their daughter, Aleta to Bernard Frechtman, December 19.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Saul Godwin on the Marriage of their daughter, Ellen to Richard Frost.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Weinberg on the Marriage of their son, Charles to Dorothy Lipgar, December 26.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Charles Abrams on their 65th Wedding Anniversary, December 15.

Teen Age Club Events

By STEPHEN JOSHUA HEYMAN

The Synagogue's Teen Age Club for 1954-55 is now in full stride. With three meetings behind us, we are able to report on our activities that are already under way, and those planned for the future.

At the December 5 meeting, a Nominating Committee was selected by the group to present a slate of officials. The slate presented at the last meeting was unanimously approved. New officers are Doris Wimpfheimer, President; Theodore Zucker and Michael Friedman, Vice-Presidents; Alice Heyman, Recording Secretary; Theodore Pincus, Corresponding Secretary and John Kogan, Treasurer.

The club held a dinner-dance on December 18, in the new auditorium of Milton Steinberg House. This was one of several dances planned for the months to come.

Two basketball teams were organized and met their first competition on December 26 in a tournament with three other Metropolitan teams. After the game a dance was held at Temple Anche Chesed.

On December 27, eleven representatives from the group left for a conference in Boston organized by the United Synagogue of America. The following delegates represented the Synagogue at the convention: Cecily Falkenstein, Michael Friedman, Alice Heyman, Susan Jacob, Geraldine Klein, Stephen Stowe and Doris Wimpfheimer.

Sisterhood to Celebrate Tercentenary Jan. 18

An outstanding program has been planned for Sisterhood's Open Meeting on Tuesday, January 18.

An original production, "We Built America Too," will be presented in observance of American Jewish Tercentenary. The entire production was written, staged, and produced by the talented and capable Mrs. Cecil B. Ruskay.

Those who were privileged to see Sisterhood's presentation of the "Jewish Home Beautiful," will remember the brilliant job done by Mrs. Ruskay.

The cast has been chosen with care. Three of the members are members of an acting group that give performances of a high professional standard. Blix Ruskay is known for her work as a monologist and as a gifted artist in her chosen field of "The One Woman Show." Other members of the cast include: Nina Graboi, Adele Gross, Mildred Strauss, Georgette Levy, Joan Tarter, Harriet Redstone, and Ruth Schnitzler.

The business meeting will begin promptly at 12:30 P.M. to be followed by the play. A reception and tea to the cast will follow the presentation.

Wedding in Steinberg House

Sunday, December 19 not only marked the first night of *Chanukah*, but also marked the first wedding party to be held in the Synagogue as a catered affair since Milton Steinberg House was completed.

Congratulations to our members, Mr. and Mrs. Harold O. N. Frankel, parents of the bride and the happy newlyweds, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Frechtman.

Jewish Art Exhibit Opens

Art in the Hebrew Tradition, an Exhibit of Jewish Ceremonial Objects, will open January 20, at the Metropolitan Museum of Art, Fifth Avenue and 80th Street, New York City. The exhibit, which has been arranged by Francis Henry Taylor, Director of the Metropolitan, will be on display for six weeks.

Composed chiefly of objects from the permanent collections of the Jewish Museum of The Jewish Theological Seminary of America, the loan exhibit commemorates the Tercentenary. The selection and arrangement of objects was made by Dr. Stephen S. Kayser, Jewish Museum curator.

Young Married Group To Hear ADL Director

Benjamin R. Epstein, National Director of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, will discuss "Threats to Freedom On The American Scene" when he addresses the Young Married Group on January 11, in the auditorium.

An actual observer of the early manifestations of Nazi Tyranny, Mr. Epstein is eminently qualified to discuss the different guises under which Fascism could easily infect America. In 1934, as a student in Germany, Mr. Epstein entered this into his diary: "This thing can come to the United States. I'm going to do everything in my power to fight it."

Five years later, he joined ADL as head of its Foreign Language Department and has since held the positions of New England Regional Director, Eastern Regional Director and Assistant National Director until his election as National Director in 1947.

Before his association with ADL, Mr. Epstein was chief investigator for the Philadelphia Public Defender and served with the N. Y. Federation of Jewish Charities and the Greater New York Fund.

In March of last year he visited Germany as a guest of the Federal Republic to study civil rights and is co-author (with Jacob Alson and Nathan C. Belth) of the report "Germany—Nine Years Later."

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Eleanor Roosevelt to be Guest Speaker, Jan. 21

The Parents Association is proud to announce that Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt will be its guest speaker at the Friday Evening Services on January 21, at the Park Avenue Synagogue.

Since 1952, the former First Lady has devoted herself to gaining support, understanding, and interest for the United Nations. She has travelled throughout the country on speaking tours to bring to Americans from coast to coast the U. N. story.

Following Mrs. Roosevelt's address, there will be a symposium in the Auditorium and an opportunity for the audience to participate in the discussion.

Again this year, *Chanukah* celebrations for students of the Religious School were conducted with the cooperation of the Parents Association. On Saturday evening, December 15, from 5:30 to 8 P.M. a supper party was held for youngsters of the Hebrew Department. The program featured the kindling of the *Chanukah* lights, square dancing, and games. From 8:30 to 10:30 P.M., the teen-ages enjoyed a fine social evening with a buffet followed by dancing. Both festivities were well attended.

On Sunday morning, December 19, individual class parties, planned by teachers of the Primary School, assisted by mothers from the Parents Association, were held under the supervision of Mrs. B. Grauer, chairman. Candles were lit and the traditional *latkes*, apple sauce, and cider were served.

One of the most valuable activities of the Parents Association is the Holiday Workshop which has attracted the interest of many mothers.

Mrs. Stanley Simon, chairman, and Mrs. A. Stangel and Mrs. J. Pincus, co-chairmen, conduct a Workshop previous to the celebration of each Jewish Holiday. This features demonstrations of costumes, foods, games, and songs appropriate for the traditional observance of such Festivals. This season, Mrs. Doris Lee Carr and Mrs. Shirley Zabor have volunteered to serve on the committee in charge of home decorations. Other mothers who will assist in the cataloguing and distribution of pamphlets and books pertaining to these celebrations are Mrs. Elsie Pincus, Mrs. Sarah Ober, and Mrs. Renee Rosenblatt.

SANFORD H. COHEN

Sanford Cohen Named Judge of City Court

On behalf of the congregation, the Board of Trustees extends to Sanford H. Cohen, Chairman of the Board, its heartiest congratulations on his appointment as Justice of City Court of the City of New York. He has been named by Governor Thomas E. Dewey to succeed the late Justice Frank Carlin.

The induction ceremony will be held on Thursday, January 6 at 2:00 P.M. at the City Court Part V, 52 Chambers Street, New York City.

Mr. Cohen who has been Chairman of the Board since 1953 has been an active member of that body for many years. In his capacity as Chairman he has been one of the motivating forces in inaugurating and completing the Milton Steinberg Memorial building. He has served the Synagogue as Chairman for Federation and also the United Jewish Appeal.

Mr. Cohen has been an active member of the Board of Directors of the YM and YWHA for many years. He has also served his country and community as Assistant United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York, and during World War II, as a member of a local board of the Selective Service System.

Yiskor Elohim

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brother of Mrs. Tubie Resnik

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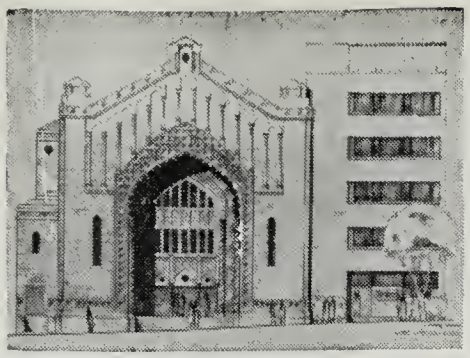

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Eleanor Roosevelt to Speak at Synagogue

Schedule of Services

Friday Evening, January 21
8:15 P.M.
Rabbi Noveck and Cantor Putterman will officiate
Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt will discuss:
"Education for Peace Through the United Nations"

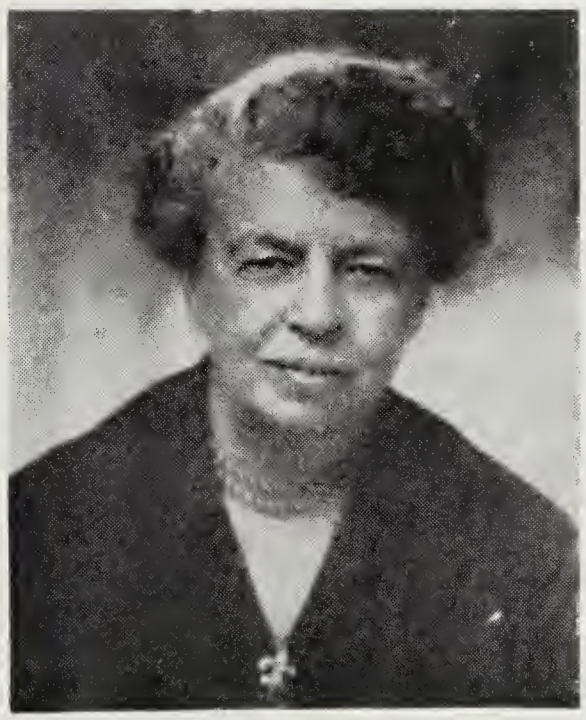
Saturday Morning, January 22
9:45 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach

Friday Evening, January 28
8:15 P.M.
Rabbi Noveck and Cantor Putterman will officiate
Ludwig Lewisohn will discuss:
"Religious Motifs in Modern English-Jewish Classics"
In the Auditorium

Saturday Morning, January 29
9:45 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach

Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt will be the guest speaker at the Friday Evening Service sponsored by the Parents Association on January 21, at the Park Avenue Synagogue. The subject of her address will be "Education for Peace Through the United Nations."

A former delegate to the United Nations General Assembly, Mrs. Roosevelt has given generously of her time to the expansion and field work for the American Association for the United Nations in an effort to gain support, understanding and interest in the U. N.



MRS. ELEANOR ROOSEVELT

As Chairman of the Board of Governors, the former first lady sends out a monthly news letter to inform A.A.U.N. members of the advancements and techniques used by other chapters throughout the nation. In the last two years, Mrs. Roosevelt has travelled throughout the country on speaking tours to bring to countless Americans the story of the part the A.A.U.N. is playing to support the U. N. in an effort to achieve a peaceful world.

Mrs. Roosevelt, long prominent in social welfare, has been the recipient of the Four Freedom Award, the Prince Carl Medal of Sweden, and the first American Award in Human Relations. She is the author of many books and magazine articles, and is known by Americans from coast to coast for her daily newspaper column "My Day" as well as her monthly question and answer page in McCall's Magazine.

After the service, an *Oneg Shabat* will take place in the Auditorium.

Ludwig Lewisohn will be Speaker In Jewish Literature Series, Jan. 28

On Friday, January 28, the lecture series on Religious Affirmations in Modern Jewish Literature, which has created so much interest and attracted such a large audience, will resume with Ludwig Lewisohn, the renowned novelist, as guest.

As the third speaker in this series, Mr. Lewisohn will discuss "Religious Motifs in Modern English-Jewish Classics." He will deal with the works of Zangwill, Morgenstern and Abram Klein, with readings from the original. He will also comment on some of his own books which have become classics of our generation.

Ludwig Lewisohn is a writer, critic and literary historian of international fame. He has been an editor on the *Nation* and *The New Palestine*. He has taught at various American Universities and is now, and has been since its founding, Professor of Comparative Literature at the Jewish secular university, Brandeis University in Waltham, Massachusetts.

But above all, he has been a leader of Jewish thought, and inspirer of the Jewish rebirth, both Zionist and religious. From the publication of his book

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Rabbi Noveck to Discuss "Jewish View of Jesus"

On Friday evening, December 24 Rabbi Noveck delivered a lecture on "The Jewish View of Jesus." Such a great interest was evinced in this lecture and the Rabbi has received so many requests for copies that he has decided to speak again on the same theme on Monday evening, January 24 at 9 P. M., as part of the course presenting classical Judaism to the Congregation.

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letter from the President

Many of our members are content to be passive members, and prefer to let others conduct the affairs of the Synagogue.

I don't think it amiss to call your attention to the fact that the Synagogue can only be fully effective when every member participates.

We have a Chairman of the Board. Officers. 30 Trustees. 24 Advisory Council, a Rabbi, a Cantor, an assistant Cantor and the various officers and members of the Synagogue's subsidiary organizations, and the office staff, who all give of their time, service and money so that the Park Avenue Synagogue can function most effectively for the membership body and the Jewish community as well, and you may well appreciate that it is not an easy job to run an institution like the Park Avenue Synagogue with a membership of upwards of 700 families.

That all who are active in the administration of the Congregation affairs are doing their utmost to make each individual member feel happy and a part of this great congregation is evidenced by numerous letters the office receives.

I therefore think you will be pleased to read extracts from some of these letters which I have selected at random from hundreds.

Bar Mitzvah

"I want to thank the Park Avenue Synagogue for the lovely letter that it sent—I am going to keep it for my Bar Mitzvah scrapbook."

"Mrs. ..... and I wish to thank the Park Avenue Synagogue, the officers, Rabbi, Cantors and members of the Congregation for the privilege afforded us to have our son prepare for his Bar Mitzvah—for the inspiration and pleasure we all received on his Bar Mitzvah. We are enclosing our check for $200 as a token of our thanks."

"All of us were touched by the thoughtfulness which prompted the Park Avenue Synagogue to write us on our son's Bar Mitzvah. It is about as sweet a letter as I have seen and it makes us all feel very happy. I just wanted the Park Avenue Synagogue to know how much I appreciate it."

"I wish to thank the Park Avenue Synagogue for all it has done to make my Bas Mitzvah what it was. The letters which you have sent me have given me much courage in continuing to study the Jewish way of life."

Anniversaries

"We are indeed grateful for the kind thoughtfulness of the Officers, Chairman and members of the Board and the entire membership body of the Park Avenue Synagogue on the occasion of our 20th anniversary. Your thoughtful remembrance so heartfully expressed added immeasurably to our happiness."

"We are overwhelmed by the wonderful wishes of the Park Avenue Synagogue on our wedding anniversary. Our warmest thanks to the Board, the Rabbi, Cantor and Sisterhood for remembering us so kindly."

"The very warm congratulations of the Park Avenue Synagogue on the occasion of our 50th wedding anniversary have made so deep an impression on us that I find it somewhat difficult to express the gratitude for such thoughtfulness which we both feel."

"To receive such a lovely letter from the Park Avenue Synagogue after so beautiful a service on Saturday at which my husband and I received the blessings for a 25th anniversary was a little too much joy and so I tried to keep the memory of same with me for a few days before I attempted to answer it."

"Thank you for the good wishes; also the Officers, Chairman and members of the Board, the Rabbi, the Cantor and the membership body. We hope all your good wishes and prayers are answered and that all links of all families be together for a long long while."

Condolences

"We want to thank the Park Avenue Synagogue for its many kindnesses. We shall always remember the constant attendance at services by representatives of the Park Avenue Synagogue, the kind letters to all the members of our family and the many other little attentions."

"Thanks so much for your kind letter in behalf of the Congregation. Its really a comfort to have the Park Avenue Synagogue respond so warmly to each member and make each feel as part of the family in the Synagogue. *Consider myself lucky to be a member of the Synagogue family.*"

These are just short extracts of a few out of hundreds of letters that the office has received and I am sure you must feel a certain real attachmnt for the Park Avenue Synagogue particularly after reading the above.

"Are you an active member? The kind that would be missed, or, are you just content to have your name on our list?"

How wonderful it would be if there were no more passive members.

Will you try? If you find time, answer me, please, or give me your reactons.

Cordially,
JACOB KLEIN

Mr. & Mrs. Group Hears Rabbi Seligson Speak

The Mr. and Mrs. Group continues its survey of American Jewish History at the meeting, which was held on January 19, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Franklin M. Simet, 575 West End Avenue, New York City.

Rabbi David J. Seligson spoke on "Isaac Mayer Wise and the Rise of the Reform Movement in the United States." Rabbi Seligson is a most interesting speaker and is eminently qualified on this subject. In accordance with the Group's custom, Rabbi Seligson's talk was followed by an open Forum on the subject.

Lewisohn Lectures

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Israel in 1925, through the publication of *The American Jew: Character and Destiny* in 1950, his voice has been one of the outstanding voices of English-speaking Jewry, recalling that Jewry to higher Jewish dignity, to deeper faith in Jewish destiny, to higher achievements in the realm of general civilization.

from the desk of the Executive Director

Sometimes being near a person or an object makes it difficult to get a true perspective of the worth or importance of the person or institution to which you are very close.

The other day, it was our pleasure to entertain Mr. Stuart Preston, Art Editor of the New York Times, with whom we ambled through the building while he critically looked us over. It was with pleasure that we read in the Sunday Times of January 2nd a delightful, impressive, even though terse description of an art critic's reaction to what we hold so dear. Here is what Mr. Preston said.

"Designed by Adolph Gottlieb, the stained glass facade of the Milton Steinberg House, a school and office annex of the Park Avenue Synagogue, 50 East 87th Street, is said to be the largest such concentrated area in the world. It masks the whole height and width of the five story building, giving no clue of the disposition of rooms behind it and, when lighted from behind in the evenings, creates a glowing spectacle in the dingy side street."

"The over-all design is a regular one, made up of colored glass panels, both opaque and transparent, that depict in semi-abstract terms symbols of Jewish thought and ritual as well as key episodes from the Old Testament. This is visual education indeed."

The other evening it was my pleasure to visit with the Parents Association Executive Board. One cannot help but be impressed by the seriousnes and devotion which marked their discussion on most subject matters which came up. It was also a welcome experience because It was unusual to see men actively serving on the Parents Association Board. Usually this kind of activity in many Parents Association groups is classed as "women's work."

The officers and the members of the Parents Association Board are an excellent training area starting with devotion to their children and Religious School, which if carried through over the years, will undoubtedly develop into a keen and loyal devoton to every phase of Synagogue and Jewish life that the Park Avenue Synagogue has to offer.

Mazel Tov

TO Dr. Milton Helpern and Mrs. Beatrice Nightingale on their Marriage.

TO Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Kahn on Marriage of their son Alvin, to Joan Irene Dicker on December 24.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Harry Yager on Marriage of their daughter Helene Louise, to Ensign Eugene Bellis White on December 25.

TO Dr. and Mrs. Robert Gottsegen on Birth of their son, David.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Murray Gillette on Birth of a grandson, David.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Edward Munves on their 25th Wedding Anniversary, January 6.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

By DORIS E. WIMPFHEIMER

From December 28 to 30, seven representatives from the Park Avenue Synagogue joined one thousand young people from all over the United States and Canada for the Fourth National Convention of United Synagogue Youth at Boston, Mass.

The main theme of the convention was "Youth and the Synagogue." Many interesting ideas and views were discussed by the young people present at the panels and plenary sessions. Some of the panels our members participated in were: The Synagogue as a House of Worship: Workshops on Programming and Administration for Youth Groups: The Synagogue as a House of Study and Assembly: Year 'Round Programming; The Development of the Synagogue in the United States; and Opportunities for Learning in the Synagogue. These panels were divided into small discussion groups.

The next meeting will be Sunday, January 30, and a discussion will be held on the problems of dating and the relationships between parents and young people. Dr. A. Linn prominent psychiatrist will guide the discussion. All teenagers are invited to attend.

Folk Music Program Planned For Young People January 30

A near-record turnout of some fifty or sixty people helped make the recent cocktail party of the Young People's Group one of the most successful events ever undertaken by the club, according to Irwin Spiegel, its president. Mr. Spiegel also announced the party helped increase membership of the organization.

At the next meeting of the group, to be held on January 30 from 3-5 p.m. in room 200 of the Milton Steinberg Building, a program of American folk music will be presented featuring Clarence Cooper, recording artist for Elektra Records.

SCHOOL NEWS

Asher Levy of New Amsterdam

The Jewish Theatre for Children will mark the observance of the American Jewish Tercentenary with a special revival of its three act play, "Asher Levy in New Amsterdam." The students of the Religious School are invited to attend the performance on Sunday afternoon, March 13 at the Joan of Arc Playhouse, 154 West 93rd Street. Tickets are 75 cents and may be purchased at the school.

Artistically presented with dances and music, the production dramatizes the fight against discrimination waged by the early colonists in what is now New York City. The play reconstructs the story of Asher Levy, a Jewish colonist of New Amsterdam, under whose leadership the small minority groups, Quakers, Jews and Catholics, struggled unyieldingly to secure civil and religious rights as free citizens.

Junior Congregation Council

The student-government of the Religious School is vested in four officers elected by the entire student body and a Synagogue council with two representatives from each of the classes in the Hebrew Department. The Synagogue Council conducts the Junior Congregation services on Saturday morning; plans for social events for the school; and seeks to develop an extensive extra-curricular program.

In a closely-contested election, marked by enthusiastic campaign oratory and colorful campaign posters, the following officers were chosen for the year 1954-55: President, John Stangel; Vice-President, Jon Waldman; Secretary, Joseph Weintraub and Treasurer, Martha Stein.

ADULT EDUCATION
Program for Monday Evenings
January 24 and January 31

7:30 to 7:55 P.M.
Cantillation—Cantor Putterman

8:00 to 8:55 P.M.
1. Choral Music—Cantor Putterman
2. Hebrew (elementary) — Mrs. Drora Whartman
3. Hebrew (intermediate) — Mr. Baruch Hochman
4. **DRAMATIC MOMENTS IN JEWISH HISTORY**

January 24—"The Vilna Gaon Excommunicates the Hassadim"
January 31—"Three Million Jews Move West"

9:00 to 10:00 P.M.
JUDAISM FOR MODERN MAN
January 24—THE JEWISH VIEW OF JESUS — Rabbi Simon Noveck
January 31—THE SOCIAL VIEWS OF JUDAISM—Rabbi Simon Noveck

Sisterhood Meeting Held

On Tuesday, January 18, Sisterhood held an open meeting in the social auditorium of the Synagogue. The guest speaker was Miss Margaret Veale, Service Engineer of the New York Telephone Company, who presented an unusual program on "Voice Personality."

Miss Veale explained the advisability of choosing your voice as carefully as you choose your clothes, since your voice is an important expression of your personality. Several members of the audience were given the opportunity of having their voices recorded and analyzed.

BOARD CHAIRMAN RESIGNS

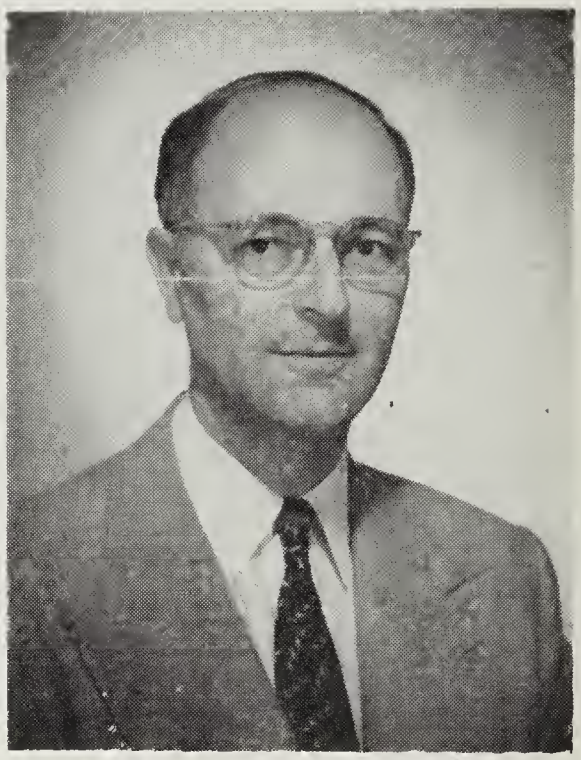
Judge Sanford H. Cohen has tendered his resignation as Chairman of the Board. In his letter Judge Cohen said . . .

"Gentlemen, at the November meeting of the Board after appointing a nominating committee, I caused to be read a statement that I was not a candidate for nomination or election as Chairman of the Board. Conditions are such that I find it appropriate to resign as Chairman of the Board, and I hereby do so effective immediately."

Joseph Howard Katz as Vice Chairman will fill out the remainder of the present term.

Rabbis Harry Halpern, Jack Cohen To Debate New Jewish Marriage Law

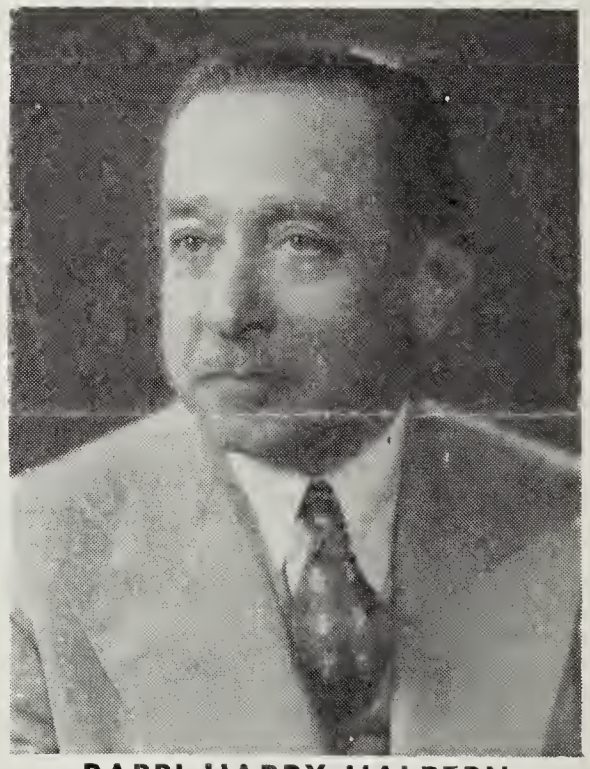
What has begun as a raging controversy in organized Jewish life, will receive a full-fledged airing at the forthcoming Symposium scheduled by the Men's Club on Tuesday, January 25, at 8:30 P.M. at the Synagogue. Rabbi Harry Halpern of the East Midwood Jewish Center in Brooklyn and Rabbi Jack J. Cohen of the Society for the Advancement of Judaism will discuss from somewhat different points of view the modifications on the marriage contract recently authorized by the Jewish Theological Seminary. Under the subject heading of "Rabbi and Layman: Their Roles in the Development of Standards of Jewish Life," there is expected to emerge in the discussion the varying approaches to the question of the right of the modern Jew to effect changes in Jewish law.


RABBI JACK J. COHEN

It was the issuance of the modifications of the Jewish marriage contract which produced the explosion, particularly by Orthodox Judaism, against any changes what-so-ever.

Joseph Howard Katz, past President of the Men's Club and currently the Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Synagogue, has been named by Milton Sivek, Men's Club President, to preside over the debate and symposium.

Rabbi Harry Halpern of the East Midwood Jewish Center, is President of the Rabbinical Assembly of America, a member of the Rabbinic Cabinet and a national co-chairman of the Seminary's Planning and Scope Committee. He has served in positions of leadership in B'nai B'rith, the Zionist Organization of America, Jewish Sanitorium for Chronic Diseases, Federation of Jewish Philanthropies and Brooklyn Jewish Community Council. In his name there has been established at the Jewish Theological Seminary, by his congregation, the Rabbi Harry Halpern Scholarship in Talmud.


RABBI HARRY HALPERN

Rabbi Jack J. Cohen, of the Society for the Advancement of Judaism, serves as Associate Editor of *The Reconstructionist* and of *The Synagogue School*. He has written many articles and books including "The Creative Audience" (with Rebecca Imber), "The Religion of the Jewish Praycrbook" and "Zionism Explained". Vice Chairman of the Placement Commission of the Rabbinical Assembly of America, he formerly served as executive committee member of that body. Because of the universal interest of the topic, ladies are invited to attend.

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ISAAC SAMUELS
brother in law of
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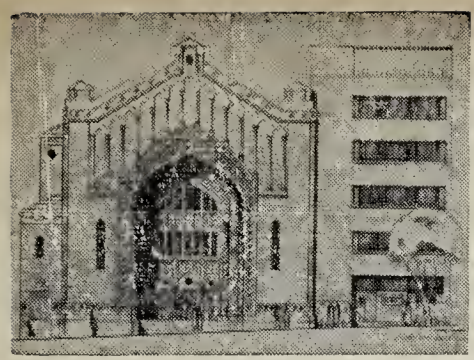
sister of Mrs. Jacob Boorstein



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Secretary of Eisenhower Cabinet to Speak

On Friday evening, February 11, Maxwell Rabb, Presidential Assistant in Washington and Secretary of President Eisenhower's Cabinet, will launch the third series of lecture courses under the general theme of Moral Dilemmas of Our Time. He will discuss the topic "Ethics and Politics." Rabbi Noveck will participate in this meeting, interviewing Mr. Rabb with a series of specific questions evolved after several conversations with the guest speaker.

MAXWELL RABB

Mr. Rabb served as Secretary to Senator Lodge of Massachusetts for six years, commencing in January, 1937, and as Secretary to Senator Sinclair Weeks, now Secretary of Commerce.

He was one of the original leaders in the Eisenhower movement, and helped to organize the first headquarters. In 1951 and 1952, during the pre-convention campaign and at the Chicago convention, he served as executive secretary to United States Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr., the Eisenhower campaign manager. Mr. Rabb was alternate delegate-at-large from Massachusetts.

Mr. Rabb is the outstanding Jew in the Eisenhower Administration. He is presidential advisor on minority problems and is in constant consultation with leaders of American Jewry.

Following the formal public interview, the audience will be given an opportunity to put questions to Mr. Rabb. Rabbi Noveck has indicated that since the pulpit takes no stand on political parties or candidates this will not be a partisan presentation. The evening will be devoted to the general problem of ethics and politics, and not to the specific policies of the Eisenhower Administration. The interview and discussion will take place in the auditorium of the Synagogue, following the services.

Mr. Rabb is making a special trip from Washington in order to participate in this lecture series, which is sponsored by the Committee on Adult Education. The Congregaton is urged to attend and take part in this unique Friday evening symposium.

Charles Angoff to Close Lecture Series, Feb. 4

Charles Angoff, well-known writer and editor, will bring to a close the second series of Friday night adult education lectures on the theme Religious Affirmations in Modern Jewish Literature, on February 4. He will discuss the topic "Man's Search for Himself in Contemporary American Literature", giving a survey of contemporary novels, short stories and plays dealing with Jewish characters, including the writings of Herman Wouk, Clifford Odets, Irwin Shaw, James Yaffe and others

Mr. Angoff has had a dual career as creative writer and editor. For years he was associated with the old American Mercury. Author or editor of some fifteen books, Mr. Angoff has also had two plays produced in "little" theatres and has contributed poems and stories to more than two dozen magazines. His latest book is *In the Morning Light*, the second volume in a planned tetrology of which *Journey to the Dawn* was the first.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday, February 4 ..... 8:15 P.M.

RABBI NOVECK AND CANTOR PUTTERMAN WILL OFFICIATE

Charles Angoff will discuss

"Man's Search For Himself in Contemporary American Literature"

Saturday, February 5 ..... 9:45 A.M.

Bar Mitzvah of Carl Brodman

Rabbi Noveck Will Deliver the Sermon

Friday, February 11 ..... 8:15 P.M.

RABBI NOVECK AND CANTOR PUTTERMAN WILL OFFICIATE

Maxwell M. Rabb Will Talk On

"Ethics and Politics"

Saturday, February 12 ..... 9:45 A.M.

Morning Service

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Bar Mitzvah Reflections

The Bar Mitzvah ceremony is one of the few institutions in American Jewish life which has successfully withstood the onslaught of changing conditions. Sabbath, the dietary laws, the holidays have all succumbed in varying degrees to "the times". But the Bar Mitzvah ceremony remains impregnable, a great rock in a weary land. Indeed, so strong is its hold upon the Jewish imagination and emotions that synagogues have been able in recent years to impose a series of requirements as a precondition for the Bar Mitzvah Ceremony, and to get them accepted. Thus many institutions have made a minimum of three, four or five years of Hebrew School training a prior condition; others have demanded the taking and passing of a preliminary examination; still others have required regular attendance at services. For all these elements, for the Bar Mitzvah ceremony itself, synagogues, rabbis, educators and Jewishly dedicated parents ought to give daily thanks. They have in their hands a lever which fits Archimedes' description and which is capable at least of moving the Jewish world.

Unhappily the lever works only up to the moment of the Bar Mitzvah ceremony and not an hour beyond. And for this we must offer tears. I am not referring to the fact that Jewish education ends with the Bar Mitzvah, just when it ought to begin. Nor am I bewailing extravagant Bar Mitzvah celebrations. The Latin epigram spoke the final word on the matter 2000 years ago,—"there can be no dispute about taste", and everyone enjoys a party. But there is room not only for sadness but for indignation in the fact that so many of the Bar Mitzvah parties which follow the ceremony completely contradict the spirit and words of the ceremony itself.

Bar Mitzvah literally means "a son of the Commandments." The ceremony with its call to the Torah, with its chanting of the Haftorah, with the charge of the rabbi, is designed to impress upon the mind of a young boy, at a turning point in his life, that there is a Jewish way of life, a Torah and a set of observances and precepts. He is called upon to say amen to all these. He does answer amen. And then, all too frequently, even in Conservative and Orthodox congregations, he sets off for a Sabbath afternoon party which systematically violates the whole series of commandments.

These parties violate the Sabbath by providing smoking, music and dancing. The Sabbath is a day which is supposed to be devoted to the contemplation of the end-values of life; the rhumba, the samba and the mambo are obviously devoted to the contemplation of different ends. They violate the dietary laws by providing such old-world Jewish delicacies as lobster salad and butter along with the non-kosher meat.

This is not a protest against parties, dancing or music. It is a plea that they be held at the proper time. It is not a protest against food; it is merely a plea that no matter what the regular family pattern, a religious ceremonial should be celebrated in the right spirit and with kosher food.

It is a bitter irony that we spend years preparing a boy to become a "son of the Commandments," only in the moment of fruition to make him party, party-wise to a violation of these selfsame commandments.

Rabbi Mordecai Waxman
Temple Israel of Great Neck, L. I.

ERRATUM

An omission was made in the last issue of BULLETIN of the names of those who attended the Fourth National Convention of United Synagogue Youth in Boston. Those who attended were: Michael Freedman, Cecily Falkenstein, Alice Heyman, Susan Jacobs, Geraldine Klein, Steven Stowe, Doris Wimpfheimer and Youth Leader Hy Sankel.

from the desk of Executive Director

A visit to the Board meeting of the Sisterhood of the Park Avenue Synagogue, my first, was an inspiring experience. What impressed me more than anything else about the entire meeting was the frequency with which subjects were discussed in terms of how this or that had been done 10, 12, 16 or even 18 years ago. One got a feeling that this is a group of people whose devotion to the Park Avenue Synagogue was anything but superficial; that their activity or certainly the activity of many of them can be measured in terms of decades and that over the years their service to the Synagogue has been invaluable.

I know of any number of large organizations which would consider it a major achievement to have raised as much funds as the Sisterhood did at their recent annual luncheon. The Sisterhood Board members talked of that luncheon with pride. In fact, an almost casual pride as if to indicate that of course such successes are to be expected.

It was a thrill to see at the Sisterhood meeting one of its Board members, whom I knew only by name, and who had given some young married relatives a full membership in our Synagogue as a *Chanukah* present! A gift like that is sometimes like planting a tree. It could bear lots of wonderful fruit.

Just in case you missed it, the Sunday News of January 16 had better than a one-half page color photograph showing the stained glass facade of the Milton Steinberg House. This also adds to our list of visitors, a Scarsdale business man whose Italian chauffeur insisted he look us over.

On the subject of interesting visitors to our Synagogue, it was with pleasure that we welcomed two college students from Argentina. Fortunately, our Executive Secretary, Emanuel Rosenthal, was able to converse with them alternately in Spanish and French. But it was possible for me to figure out that they said that they would not have come to New York and have missed seeing our building.

SIDNEY R. KATZ

Tercentenary Celebrated At Jewish Museum

In keeping with the theme of the American Jewish Tercentenary, the exhibit at the Jewish Museum until May 1955 is entitled "Under Freedom" and depicts in graphic terms the record of participation in American life that American Jews have recorded on the pages of history the last 300 years.

The exhibit includes manuscripts, documents, reproductions, art and ritual objects, medals, and models of homes and institutions. Included in the exhibition is the actual foundation stone of "Ararat", envisioned as a Jewish state within American freedom, which was dedicated in 1825 by Mordecai Manuel Noah. A special room has been set aside to depict the colorful, pulsating life on New York's East Side at the turn of the century.

The exhibit may be viewed free by the public from 1:00 to 5:00 P.M. Mondays through Thursdays and from 11:00 to 6:00 P.M. on Sundays. Our Religious School students are planning to visit the Jewish Museum on Sunday, February 13.

Young People Meet Feb. 27

The February meeting of the Young People's Group of the Park Avenue Synagogue will be held on February 27, on the fifth floor of Milton Steinberg House from 3 until 5 P.M. Tentative plans call for a guest speaker.

Meanwhile it was announced by Irwin Spiegel, club president, that arrangements are being made to have youth groups from neighboring temples join the Young People's Group in several meetings. An invitation has already been extended to Temple Rodeph Sholom's Junior League.

Tubie Resnick Testimonial

Tubie Resnick, a member of the Advisory Council to the Board of Trustees of the Park Avenue Synagogue, was honored at a testimonial dinner held January 27, at the Waldorf Astoria by the Liquor Industry Foster Alumni Committee for Brandeis University.

Mr. Resnick is a member of the Brandeis Board of Fellows which acts as advisory group to its Board of Trustees.

The Sewing Committee of the Sisterhood, which meets every Wednesday from 10:30 to 3 o'clock in the Auditorium of the Synagogue, is currently engaged in sewing wrappers for the children of Israel. Those women who are interested in sewing for this worthy cause are cordially invited to meet with the committee.

Young Married Members To Conduct Symposium

For its next meeting February 8, the Young Married Group is planning a program apart from its usual format instead of an "imported" speaker. The group will call upon three of its own members to give a short presentation on a subject of interest to the group.

William Riemer will discuss the pros and cons of direct mail advertising, explaining the relative values of those letters which come addressed "Occupant, Local Delivery Route".

Dr. Nathan Schifrin will discuss the advances being made in the medical field concerning Polio, its causes and treatments.

Mortimer Matz will unveil a few of the mysticisms surrounding the production and distribution of one of New York's daily newspapers.

The evening promises to be most enjoyable, and, as usual, the group invites the congregation to come down and join in the discussions and be a witness to this trial symposium.

Members Visit B'nai Jeshurun

Replying to a warm and cordial invitation from Congregation B'nai Jeshurun, one of the oldest Synagogues in the Unitd States, to join with them in celebrating their 130th Birthday, the Park Avenue Synagogue on Saturday, January 8, sent an official delegation to participate in their anniversary Sabbath Service. Those attending included: Jacob Klein, Synagogue President, Z. Harry Altmark, Nelson Ruttenberg, Milton Sivek, and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sokolow.

SCHOOL NEWS

Open School Week

Open School Week has been proclaimed by the Jewish Education Committee during the period of *Tu B'Shevat*, February 6 to 13.

The students of the Primary Department will play host to their parents on Sunday, February 6. Parents are invited to observe the instruction in the classrooms and to discuss the work of the students with the teachers.

Parents of students in the Hebrew Department may visit the classes any afternoon during Open School Week and are, also, invited to join in worship with the members of the Junior Congregation on Saturday, February 12.

Youth Leadership Award

The Men's Club of the Park Avenue Synagogue, in cooperation with the National Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs, is again sponsoring the "Youth Leadership Award."

This award, a sterling silver medal and a certificate, is presented at *Shavuoth* to a boy or girl between the ages of 13 and 17, who has shown the "greatest aptitude for leadership in Jewish life." A committee, consisting of the Rabbi, the Principal and the President of the Men's Club, usually selects the winner of the award from among the members of the Confirmation—Graduation Class.

Scouting Groups Organized

Scouting activities are well underway at Park Avenue Synagogue. On Tuesday, January 18, an organization meeting was held. All interested parents in Cub Scouting and Brownie Girl Scouts showed their enthusiasm. A Brownie Troop, with girls from 7-10, was formed and two capable persons volunteered to take the training course given by the Girl Scout leaders.

The Cub Scouts were also well represented. A well trained Cub Master is ready to assume his duties. A meeting of the Cub Scout Troop Committee was held Tuesday, January 20. The Den Mothers graciously volunteered and will be ready to start within the week.

For further information on Scouting, please contact Mr. Sankel.

ADULT EDUCATION

Program for Monday Evenings
February 7 and February 14

7:30 to 7:55 P.M.

Cantillation—Cantor Putterman

8:00 to 8:55 P.M.

1. Choral Music—Cantor Putterman
2. Hebrew (elementary) — Mrs. Drora Whartman
3. Hebrew (intermediate) — Mr. Baruch Hochman

4. DRAMATIC MOMENTS IN JEWISH HISTORY

February 7—"Brandeis is Appointed to the Supreme Court of the United States."—Dr. Arthur Hyman

February 14—"The State of Israel is Born"—Dr. Arthur Hyman

9:00 to 10:00 P.M.

JUDAISM FOR MODERN MAN

February 7—"Judaism and Education"—Dr. Arthur Hyman

February 14—"Judaism and the Personal Lfe"—Rabbi Noveck

After the conclusion of these classes on February 14, Professor Albert Salomon will start his course on "Sociology and Religion." These lectures will be given from February 21 through March 28 at 8:30 P.M. Please call Mrs. Trachtenberg at the Synagogue office for further information.

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Record Audience Hears Eleanor Roosevelt Speak

A record capacity crowd filled the Park Avenue Synagogue at the Friday Evening Services sponsored by the Parents Association on January 21, to hear Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt speak on "Education for Peace through the United Nations." Because of the unusually large attendance, many people had to be turned away.

Rabbi Noveck and Assistant Cantor Friedman conducted the services, assisted by the following members of the Parents Association: Mrs. Herman Helpern, Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer, who read prayers in English, and Nelson Ruttenberg, Bernard Weintraub and Harry Zucker, who read prayers in Hebrew.

In an inspiring address from the pulpit, Mrs. Roosevelt stressed the need for a better understanding of the peoples of the old world through the process of education offered by the various agencies of the U.N. She pointed out that world leadership requires that one should possess the understanding of the peoples of the world, their religion, their culture, their civilization, and their way of life; only by education, patience and a desire to understand, can this be accomplished.

The American Association of the United Nations, known as the A.A.U.N. is engaged in this worthwhile task of educating the American people to properly understand this problem. As a tribute to Mrs. Roosevelt and an expression of our grattitude to her for her presence at the Friday Evening Service, many of our congregants have joined the A.A.U.N. Those who are interested, should send their check to Mrs. Helen Strauss, at the Synagogue, for $3 payable to the order of the A.A.U.N. for membership.

Mazel Tov

TO Julius Guggenheimer on his 87th Birthday, February 2

TO Philip Winter and Barbara Joseph on their Marriage.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Leon Blauner on the Birth of a Granddaughter Leslie Susan Korn.

TO Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Cohen on their 35th Wedding Anniversary, January 30.

Nominating Committee Presents New Slate

The Annual Congregational Meeting will be held this year on Wednesday Evening, February 16 in the new auditorium.

At a special meeting of the Board of Trustees, the Nominating Committee headed by Hon. Bernard Botein has submitted a slate of candidates for officers and trustees of the Synagogue for 1955:

Honorable President, Jacob Friedman; President, Jacob Klein; 1st Vice-President, Archie Thurman; 2nd Vice-President, Saul Godwin; Treasurer, Nelson Ruttenberg; Associate Treasurer, Milton Sivek; Executive Secretary, Emanuel Rosenthal; Executive Director, Sidney Katz; Chairman of the Board, Ezra Cohen; and Vice-Chairman of the Board, Harold R. Starkman.

Trustees to serve for 3 years will be: Benjamin Sack, I. M. Cohen, Saul Godwin, Hon. Abraham N. Geller, Victor Herwitz, Saul Horowitz, Morris Joffe, Samuel Lemberg, Dr. Harold Osserman, Mrs. Wm. Karmiol and Harold Starkman.

Advisory Council: Joseph Block, Joseph H. Cohen, Mrs. Edw. Peiper, Maurice Rentner, Tubie Resnick, Frederick Finn, Benjamin Gross, Louis Grossman, Mrs. Lillian Helperin, Edward Kaye, Philip Winter and Mrs. Sigmund Siegel.

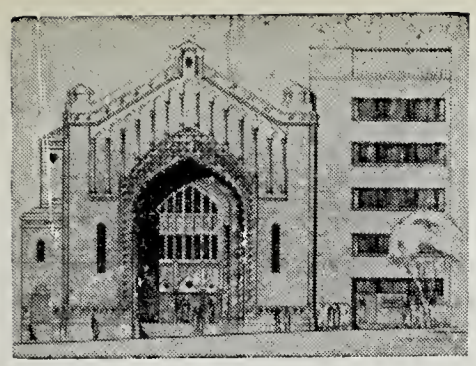
St. James Rector to be Speaker at Sisterhood

On Tuesday, February 15, at their regular open meeting, Sisterhood has a program of unusual interest planned to commemorate Brotherhood Month.

The Rev. Arthur Lee Kinsolving, D.D., rector of St. James church, will speak on "Religion and Relationships."

Dr. Kinsolving brings the fruits of a fine educational background. He has a B.A. from the University of Virginia and was graduated from the Virginia Theological Seminary. He was a Rhodes scholar. He also studied at Christ Church, Oxford. In addition, he has received a number of honorary degrees.

Before coming to the St. James Church, as rector, in 1947, Dr. Kinsolving was the rector of Grace Church, Amherst, Mass. from 1924-30; Trinity Church, Boston, from 1930-40; and Trinity Church, Princeton, from 1940-47.



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Congregants to Hear Erich Fromm Conclude Lecture Series Feb. 25

Dr. Erich Fromm, eminent psychoanalyst and author, will be guest speaker at the adult education lecture series on Friday, February 25, following the Services. He will talk on "The Moral and Religious Dilemmas of Our Time" and will deal with the ethics of fairness in contrast to the ethics of love and justice. He will discuss monotheism and its relationship to the psychic evolution of man. Following his formal presentation, Dr. Fromm will answer questions put to him from the audience.

Dr. Fromm has a unique background in psychiatry and religion. While studying psychology, sociology and psychiatry at the Universities of Frankfurt, Heidelberg and Munich, he studied Talmud with Rabbis in Germany. He is a graduate of the Psychoanalytic Institute in Berlin, and came to the United States in 1933. He taught here at Columbia University, New School for Social Research, Bennington College and at the William Alanson White Institute of Psychiatry, where he is Chairman of

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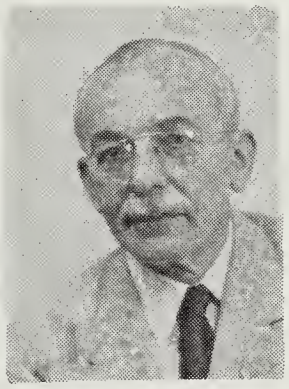
Four Members to Participate In Feb. Medical Symposium

On Friday evening, February 18, Drs. Morris Bien, Oscar Glassman, Samuel Orgel and Harry Wechsler, all members of the Park Avenue Synagogue, will participate in a symposium on "Morals and Medicine," as part of the Synagogue's adult education program. The symposium will take place in the auditorium immediately following the regular Friday Evening Services.

After a brief introduction by Rabbi Noveck on "Morals and Medicine" from

Dr. S. Orgel



Dr. H. Wechsler

Dr. O. Glassman

Dr. M. Bien

the standpoint of Jewish tradition, each member of the panel will be asked questions by Rabbi Noveck and will be given an opportunity to present his own point of view on some of the medical dilemmas of our time. Some of the questions which will be covered are: Shall the doctor tell the patient the truth? Is there a moral right to try and overcome childlessness through artificial insemination? Does society have the right to foreclose parenthood through sterilization? Are there any circumstances when euthanasia is justifiable? Shall government assistance be enlisted to maintain an adequate supply of doctors? What can the patient do to help stop the practice of fee splitting? Shall we adopt compulsory medical care insurance?

A very stimulating and controversial discussion among the panel members is expected on these important medical problems, and an opportunity will be given for questions from the audience.

Dr. Bien is Associate Attending Anesthesiologist at Mt. Sinai Hospital. He is a Fellow of the American College of Anesthesiology and a Diplomate of the American Board of Anesthesiology.

Dr. Glassman is Associate Obstetrician and Gynecologist at the New York Hospital and Assistant Professor in Obstetrics and Gynecology at Cornell Medical College. He is a fellow of the Amer-

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday Evening, February 18 .....8:15 P.M.

RABBI NOVECK and CANTOR PUTTERMAN WILL OFFICIATE

Drs. Samuel Orgel, Harry Wechsler, Morris Bien and Oscar Glassman will participate in a Symposium on "Morals and Medicine"

Saturday Morning, February 19 .....9:45 A.M.

Rabbi Noveck will preach

Friday Evening, February 25 .....8:15 P.M.

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Dr. Erich Fromm will discuss:

"The Moral and Religious Dilemmas of Our Time"

Saturday Morning, February 26 .....9:45 A.M.

Bar Mitzvah of Leonard Shapiro

Rabbi Noveck will preach

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DR. ERICH FROMM

Fromm Speaks

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the Faculty. Since 1951 he has been Professor at the National University of Mexico. Dr. Fromm is the author of "Escape from Freedom," "Man for Himself," "Psychoanalysis and Religion" and "The Forgotten Language." His latest book "The Sane Society" is to be publishd soon.

Mazel Tov

TO Mrs. Lillian Duke on the Birth of a granddaughter, Ellen Simeon Dickstein.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Frederick W. Scholem on the Birth of their son.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Art Club

For budding young artists, the Youth Activities Division proudly announces the formation of an Art Club for young peoples ages 9-13 and 13-15. This group meets Thursdays at 3:30 and 4:30 P.M. in Room 302 of the Milton Steinberg House.

The activities of the club will include drawing, water color painting as well as sculpture and crafts. Field trips and visits to museums as well as film strips on art are planned as part of the program.

The club will be directed and organized by Miss Ruth Marossi, a graduate of the Yale University School of Fine Arts, and at present an assistant in the Art Department of the Graduate School of the College of the City of New York.

She won a Wooley Scholarship for Fine Art as well as a scholarship from Yale University for her art work.

Young Fry Game Room

A Game Room, for youngsters age 9 to 13 has been opened under the auspices of the Youth Activities Division. This activity is providing a great source of enjoyment for these young people. Checkers, chess, ping pong, Nok-hocky are among the many exciting games with which the room is equipped.

The Game Room is open Tuesdays from 3:30 to 5:30 P.M.

Symposium

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ican College of Surgeons and the author of many articles in his specialty.

Dr. Orgel specializes in Child and Adult Psychiatry and Psychoanalysis in New York City. He is on the staff of Hillside Hospital and Consultant Psychiatrist at the Miriam Barnett Memorial Hospital in Paterson, N. J. He is also a lecturer for the National Committee of Mental Hygiene and the author of numerous publications on psychiatry.

Dr. Wechsler, a practicing Internist and Attending Physician at Lenox Hill Hospital, is also Assistant Clinical Professor of Medicine at New York University. In addition to his medical career, he is an active participant in Zionist and Israeli activities, being founder and honorary president of the Yorkville Zionist District.

SCHOOL NEWS

Jewish Music Month

The eleventh annual nation wide Jewish Music Festival Month is being observed during the month of February. Jewish communal organizations, colleges and civic orchestras will sponsor concerts, lectures and exhibits devoted to Jewish music.

Radio and television programs will also feature Jewish music. These include the "Voice of Firestone" on February 28, C.B.S. "Church of the Air" on February 20, and twelve programs to be broadcast by WNYC during the week of February 27 to March 5.

The New York Philharmonic-Symphony, under the direction of Dimitri Mitropoulos, will present Morton Gould's "Showpiece for Orchestra" on February 19, as part of the festival.

During the month, the students in the Hebrew Department of the school will be preparing a special *Purim* Cantata.

Rites for Judge Miller

Funeral services for former Supreme Court Justice Julius Miller, a distinguished member of the Congregation, were held at the Park Avenue Synagogue, on Sunday, February 6.

A large gathering of friends, including prominent City officials and members of the judiciary, attended the services, which were conducted by Rabbi Noveck, assisted by Cantor Putterman. Rabbi Noveck also delivered the eulogy.

Justice Miller served as State Senator from 1919 to 1921, when he was elected Manhattan Borough President. He held that office until 1930, when he was elected to the Supreme Court of the State of New York and served until 1950, when he reached the statutory retirement age.

Rabbi Noveck referred to the many civic achievements for which Mr. Miller was responsible during his regime as Borough President, including the West Side Highway, which was originally named for him. "He lived a full and complete life with all the satisfaction that can come to a human being," Rabbi Noveck added.

The officers, members of the Board of Trustees, and members of the Congregation extend their heartfelt sympathy to the Miller family.

Annual Report to Congregation

by

SANFORD H. COHEN

Chairman of Board of Trustees

In accordance with the By Laws of the Park Avenue Synagogue and following custom, I do hereby report to you a survey of the activities of the Synagogue during the past year and up to January 12, 1955, the date when I resigned as Chairman of the Board of Trustees. I have caused to be filed the reports of the following Committees listed here alphabetically:

Adult Education Committee, Harold Starkman, Chairman: Building Committee, Saul Godwin, Chairman; Bulletin Committee, Nelson Ruttenberg, Chairman, Eleanor Robinson, Editor; Catering Committee, Nelson Ruttenberg, Chairman; Finance Committee, Benjamin Sack, Chairman; Fund Raising Committec, Isidore M. Cohen, Chairman; House Committee, Mortimer D. Millheiser, Chairman; Membership Committee, Ezra Cohen, Chairman; Men's Club, Milton M. Sivek President; Ritual Committee, Archie Thurman, Chairman; Sisterhood, Gertrude B. Karmiol, President; School Board Committee, Victor Herwitz, Chairman; Youth Activities Committee, Melvin L. Krulewitch, Chairman and Young Married Group, Samuel D. Fredman, President.

Each of said reports is comprehensive and sets forth the activities of the various arms of the Synagogue, but unfortunately they are voluminous and time and space prevent them from being included in this report.

The crowning achievement during this administration was the completion of the Milton Steinberg House. While the interest of the members of the congregation was concentrated upon the actual building operations, the greatest thrill undoubtedly was the unveiling of the cornerstone and dedication ceremonies on September 19, 1954. The Committee of Arrangements that day being Chaired by Hon. Bernard Botein. When summer came, some may have had misgivings as to the completion of the building before the scheduled dedication services. Your Chairman spent 3 and sometimes 4 days each week during the early morning hours, at meetings and conferences with contractors and subcontractors to accomplish our purpose and to press completion of the job. Jonathan and David, the two sons of our late Rabbi Milton Steinberg, unveiled the cornerstone aided by our President, Jacob Klein, and the dedication address was delivered by Rabbi Noveck. Judge Botein was introduced as presiding officer after an address by your Chairman, and a musical rendition by Cantor Putterman. Other speakers were Mayor Robert F. Wagner, Dr. Abram L. Sacher President of Brandeis University, Mrs. Ogden Reid publisher of the New York Herald Tribune, Dr. Simon Greenberg Vice-Chancellor of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, and Mordecai Kedron of the Israeli Government. A word of praise should be mentioned here of Saul Horowitz one of the Trustees and the President of H.R.H. Construction Company without whose help our new building would today not be a reality. Thereafter the Building Committee proceeded with furnishing the magnificent structure whose facade of stained glass is the only one of its kind in the world. The auditorium and the adjoining kitchens were completely rebuilt and refurnished so as to be now available for wedding parties, Bar Mitzvahs, and for other festivities where observance of the dietary laws are maintained. The Rabbi's study and the Cantor's music room and study have been newly furnished; likewise all the schoolrooms now lend proper space, atmosphere and surroundngs for the children of our religious school. There is also a library and a small synagogue or chapel for ceremonies seating approximately 90 persons. Your Chairman takes pride in this accomplishment and in those that follow, in all of which he was ably assisted by the other officers of his administration.

This year the Board of Trustees undertook to fill an urgent need long felt by those who have occupied the post of Chairman of the Board. We expanded our staff to add a full time, lay, professional Executive Director. Not only did our Synagogue's expanding activities more than justify this step but it should be noted that few if any congregations of our size lack an Executive Director while many smaller, have a full time Executive. In our choice of Sidney R. Katz to fill this post, we feel that we have a person with a rich Jewish background, an understanding of Jewish communal and congregational life growing out of years of professional experience. I know that you will be gratified to learn that Manny Rosenthal, our Executive Secretary, and Sidney Katz are hitting it off very well as a team of coordinate and cooperative effort.

Martin Leichtling, Principal of our religious chool and Advisor to the School Board, had the difficult task of providing facilities in the new building for the beginning of the school year in October 1954. He accomplished his job with dispatch and perfection and deserves public commendation.

The School Board reports a school registration of approximately 300 students with three classes in Hebrew 1, and five members of the graduating class are continuing their education in Hebrew 6, and two other graduates are assisting as student teachers in the Primary Department. The regular junior congregation service at the Jewish Museum was continued this year and a special service for young children who are unable to read Hebrew was prepared and presented. Your Board of Trustees has also before it for study, the advisability of establishing a nursery school. The details of all the work being accomplished by the School Board are contained in its report on file.

The Adult Education Committee reported the innovation introduced this past Fall for the specific purpose of increasing the attendance of Friday evening services. It came to the attention of your Chairman that attendance at such services as well as Saturday morning services, had fallen off considerably and your Chairman recommended to Rabbi Noveck and the Committee that a series of lectures which previously had been held on Monday evenings, be made part of the regular Friday evening service. Rabbi Noveck and the Committee adopted this suggestion and I am happy to say attendance on Friday evenings has thus far increased. Whether this same policy ought to be followed in the future is a matter which should be given serious thought by the new Chairman of the Board. The other Monday even-

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Chairman's Report

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ing classes and lectures have been continued as planned by and under the direction of Rabbi Noveck together with the Hebrew courses and cantillation and choral music conducted by Cantor David Putterman.

The Membership Committee reports that we now have a total membership of 753 families with a few new applications pending.

To prepare for the use of the auditorium, your Chairman appointed a new Catering Committee consisting of Nelson Ruttenberg as Chairman, Freda Sack and Dorothy Sokolow. This Committee prepared and worked out a plan for caterers and for the use of the auditorium and other parts of the building for festive occasions. The result should be very successful socially and financially.

It is always a pleasure to mention the work of Sisterhood. The service rendered by this body of women, particularly its officers, is always commendable. This past year under the Co-Chairmanship of Mrs. Tubie Resnick and Mrs. Milton Sivek, and Chairman of the Journal, Mrs. Saul Granetts, and Treasurer, Mrs. Sigmund Segal, there resulted a profit of approximately $9,800. from the Sisterhood luncheon and theatre party. This accomplishment is reported by its President, Mrs. William Karmiol, and the earnings will go toward the payment of the balance of the total pledge of $50,000. to the Milton Steinberg Fund. Sisterhood has continued with its program of previous years with service to its members, the Synagogue and the community.

Parents Association has increased its activities this year under the leadership of its President and has cooperated in the activities of the Synagogue. It has conducted its own program with knowledge of its responsibility to the Jewish community and the children in our school.

The Bulletin which is mailed periodically to members of the congregation has continued under the same editorship as in previous years. Mrs. Robinson as Editor does an excellent job with the material furnished and the limited space provided.

Now to turn from affiliate organizations led by the ladies of the Synagogue, mention must be made of the fruitful activities of the Men's Club, ably led by Milton Sivek. They have held their inspiring monthly meetings for members, interspersed with meetings to which ladies were invited. Their annual Political Showcase has become a regular feature, as well as their annual Youth Leadership Award presented during the Shevouth holiday to the outstanding student of our religious school. The entire congregation is now looking forward to the Men's Club theatre party scheduled for March 14, 1955.

The Young Married Group has become an organization whose purpose is for its members to come closer to the Synagogue and to Judaism. It has and is developing a program for husband and wife to receive religious and cultural enrichment. Each year its program is enlarged with greater interest to its members.

The Youth Activities Committee was appointed by your Chairman after the Board of Trustees had deemed it advisable to establish youth activities under a separate committee so as to present an integrated and coordinate program for the youth of the Synagogue. A paid Youth Director, Hyman Sankel, was engaged to create a program for children between the ages of 7 and 13 and to encompass a Scout program as well as a teen age program. The work of this Committee headed by Col. Krulewitch will be presented as it develops during the coming year.

The Finance Committee which is so ably headed by Benjamin Sack, our former Chairman of the Board, continued this year to grapple with the numerous budgetary and financial problems confronting the Board. In its quiet, unobtrusive fashion, it has done a yeoman job.

The Fund Raising Committee, of which I. M. Cohen is Chairman, has continued its activities this year. Your Chairman has devoted a good deal of time with Issy Cohen to bring the campaign to a successful conclusion. It should be reported that the funds of the Synagogue are presently being used to pay the contractors pending the payment of the pledges made to the Milton Steinberg Fund. In this fashion, the placing of a mortgage on the new building or otherwise borrowing money from a lending institution was eliminated.

The Ritual Committee continued to function under the leadership of Archie Thurman. From its annual report of its monthly meetings, your Chairman can assure you that all phases of our religious activities have been thoroughly examined, debated and established.

This report would not be complete if I did not make some mention of Arthur Ochs, retiring from the office of Treasurer. He has given of his time and his efforts unstintingly and his devotion to the organizational end of our Synagogue will be greatly missed by all of us. We wish him good health and happiness for many years to come.

Likewise, my personal thanks and good wishes to Joseph Howard Katz upon his retiring from the office of Vice-Chairman of the Board of Trustees. He has been a loyal and devoted executive and his help to me and to the Synagogue has been immeasurable.

And at this time I wish to welcome Ezra Cohen as the new Chairman of the Board of Trustees. Ezra needs no introduction to any of you. He has been a pillar of our institution for most of his adult lifetime. I wish him a successful administration and the enjoyment of good health and happiness during his term of office.

In conclusion, I should like to observe that the responsibility of running the Synagogue rests alone in the hands of the Board of Trustees by virtue of the Religious Law of the State of New York. I urge the Board to guard that responsibility zealously and not to permit any individual member or group to usurp or defy that responsibility. I should like further to observe that the primary objective of a Synagogue must be its religious services. In order that the preeminence of the Synagogue be established, too much emphasis must not be placed upon its secular activities. It follows therefore that our religious life must be enriched and strengthened. To accomplish this end there must be adequate spiritual leadership so that all members of the congregation may be sufficiently interested to attend religious services regularly on the Sabbath and on holidays. We realize that this may be difficult for some, but the Pulpit will be greatly encouraged and inspired if members will make an attempt to attend services at least once a month. Your Board of Trustees has for a long time considered the advisability of engaging the services of an additional Rabbi. It has now finally been resolved that an Associate Rabbi is to be acquired as soon as possible and a Committee has been appointed for the selection of such Rabbi—one who we expect will possess the necessary training, experience and ability to join our Pulpit for the greater benefit of the religious and spiritual life of our congregation.

SANFORD H. COHEN
Chairman of the Board of Trustees

Annual Report of the President

For your information, provisions in the By-Laws of the Park Avenue Synagogue indicating the duties of the President, are

(1) that he *may* preside at all religious functions and

(2) that he *preside* at the annual meeting of the Congregation

Your president has assumed and performed considerable other services not sanctioned by the By-Laws and which, although not specifically approved by the Board of Trustees, are not objected to and while I have just completed my third term as President, no attempts have been made by anyone to interfere with this line of service that the President performs.

Thus to give you some idea of that service, the President

(1) is at the office of the Park Avenue Synagogue daily between the hour of 9 and 10

(2) He attends Friday evening services, services Saturday A.M. as well as on all Holidays and Holy days

(3) Attends at times various meetings of all subsidiary organizations

(4) Visits the Hebrew and Sunday schools

(5) Attends all funeral services of members who have passed on

(6) Attends at house of mourning and on occasion conducts the services

(7) Visits all members who have notified the office that they are ill—either in their homes, in private rooms or wards in hospitals

(8) Assists in the designation of all appointees for Aliyahs on Saturdays and on all Holidays and Holy days

(9) Sends letters of congratulations

(a) to all parents of Bar or Bas Mitzvahs

(a) to all who celebrate anniversaries, engagements, weddings, births, and birthdays

(c) to Bar Mitzvah boys and Bas Mitzvah girls

(d) to the parents of all Confirmands

(e) to all Confirmands

and a considerable amount of correspondence in connection with all spiritual matters concerning the Congregation and its members, such as letters of condolence and letters of comfort in cases of illnesses.

Now your President does all this and is happy to render these services but the least the Officers, members of the Board, and the membership body could or should do is their bit to cooperate.

It is not the pleasantest thing for the President to telephone 20 people to try to get one person to act as a Gabbai on Friday night or Saturday morning.

It is also distressing, to say the least, to be present at each service and find the Officers, members of the Board and the great body of members conspicuous by their absence.

The Park Avenue Synagogue is under a terrific expense—it furnishes a Rabbi, Cantor, Choir and a large staff as well as all that goes with the conduct and operation of a great Synagogue and all that is asked of the membership is to appear at services occasionally, if not weekly, and weekly is spelt *weekly* and not *weakly*.

I wonder how many who are here this evening would be willing to give their assurance that they will attend more regularly. You can signify your willingness by raising your hand.

In conclusion, I would like to ask if there is anyone present, who would like to make any suggestions

(a) as to improving our services

(b) as to what your President has left undone

(c) as to what he can do, that should be done and

(d) in what way the President hasn't met with your expectations

(e) what, if anything, you would like him to do

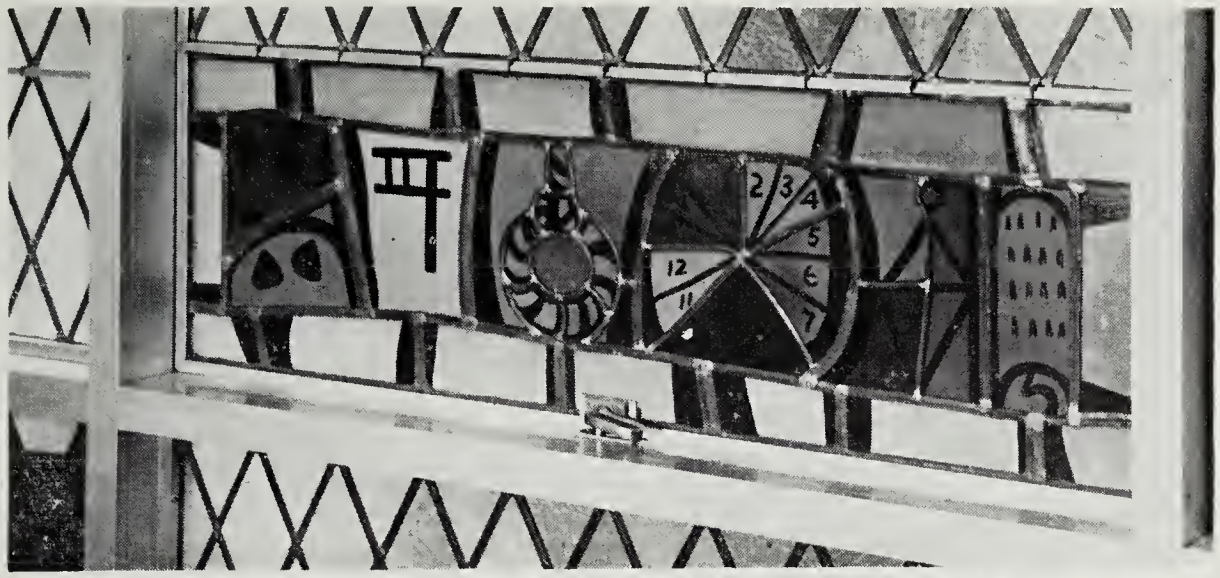
I am here to serve you—not to be served and if there is anything within reason you want me to do, I am at your service.

But, please, please, make us all feel, the Rabbi, the Cantor, the Board and myself, that you are all happy to be part and parcel of the Park Avenue Synagogue and that each one of you will do your bit.

I close with the prayer Oseh sholom Bimromov Hu jaahse sholom oolaynu, ve al Kol Yisruel; translation

May He who created harmony in the Heights Create harmony among us and all Israel and let us say, Amen.

JACOB KLEIN
President



PURIM WINDOW OF STEINBERG HOUSE

World Publicity Given To Steinberg House

The Officers and Committee Chairmen of the Park Avenue Synagogue, its Congregants and many contributors would undoubtedly be thrilled to learn about the world-wide promotion which the Milton Steinberg House of the Park Avenue Synagogue is receiving by the United States Information Agency of the State Department in Washington.

In a letter recently addressed to the Executive Director, the Chief of the Press Service of the United States Information Agency wrote to Mr. Katz, that the artistry and craftsmanship of the Milton Steinberg House "serves to correct the impresion of the American worker as a robot on a mass-production assembly line."

They further advised Mr. Katz that as part of the Federal Government's promotional activities a description of our building including photographs was sent to 77 countries for use by newspapers, magazines, radio stations and private groups.

Space does not permit us to carry a full account of the government story but the following paragraphs are quoted directly from the feature story which among other things praises the craftsmen who carry on the ancient art of stained glass work.

> "An interesting example of the new trends was recently unveiled here at the Milton Steinberg House, a school for biblical studies adjoining the Park Avenue Synagogue in New York City."
>
> "The building planned as a memorial to the late Rabbi Milton Steinberg, spiritual leader of the congregation, has a facade completely fabri-

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from the Desk of the Executive Director

In this section of the current issue of our BULLETIN you will note the interesting correspondence I have had in encouraging the promotion of the Milton Steinberg House as a building whose fame is now reaching all corners of the earth.

The pane illustrated above was one of Adolph Gottlieb's 21 abstractions. This particular one as you might note, symbolizes the Hangman's Noose, the Lottery Wheel, and other images which were associated by the artist with *Purim*. The *Megillah* this year will be read Monday evening, March 7.

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Some people seem to have all the luck. Not only does the Men's Club of the Park Avenue Synagogue have a competent and pleasant method of conducting their annual fund raising event but somehow manages to hit this year what promises to be an extraordinarily successful play. If advance notices are to be trusted, the Ethel Barrymore Theatre on Monday evening, March 14, will witness a sell-out house full of persons brought there by the Men's Club of the Park Avenue Synagogue watching "The Desperate Hours."

One can learn all of this, that is, about the luck of the Men's Club, by attending as I did the last couple of meetings of their Board of Directors. There you will find earnest, conscientious and hard-hitting debate on the big as well as the little things in life that manage to get on to the crowded agenda. When the smoke is cleared after an intense debate and the newcomer feels that at least ten people will never talk to each other again, everybody is back where they were before, in the spirit of fraternalism and warmth which seems to characterize all Men's Club proceedings.

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A visit to the Senior League was a full-fledged surprise. One did not quite expect the seriousness with which the young men and women in the Senior League discussed Jewish problems and their interest in the affairs of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

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"Who is that man Steinberg?" was a question asked by an overwhelmed young couple who socially met the late Rabbi Steinberg one evening, and the next day when the host gave them the answer to that question found them at the Synagogue applying for membership. That path to our Synagogue door brought with it another visit only last month from the same, this time young looking couple, who were interested in having their daughter-in-law make her wedding arrangements at the Milton Steinberg House of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

MEN'S CLUB THEATER PARTY

Tickets have been distributed to all members of Men's Club for the Theater Party on Monday, March 14. The play, "The Desperate Hours," by Joseph Hayes, recently opened, and those who want tickets should contact Chairman Charles Bennet for tickets. His telephone numbers are:

AT 9-8505 (Home) or
MU 7-2970 (Office)

Rector of St. James Address Sisterhood

At their regular Open Meeting on Tuesday, February 15, Sisterhood commemorated Brotherhood Month with a talk by The Rev. Arthur Lee Kinsolving, D.D., rector of St. James Church, on "Religion and Relationships." It was a very stimulating afternoon for all present.

On Monday, March 7, Sisterhood will act as hostesses for the Synagogue at a *Purim* party. An original pagaent based on Jewish history will be presented. Watch the BULLETIN for further details.

Prof. Albert Salomon To Open Adult Course

Professor Albert Salomon, of the Graduate Faculty of the New School for Social Research, and a member of the Park Avenue Synagogue, will conduct a course on Sociology and Religion beginning on Monday, February 21 at 8:30 P.M. and continuing for successive Mondays through March 28. This course will present a revolutionary turn in western thought—the revolution of science against all the traditions of past philosophies and religions.

The first part of the course will deal with the revolutionary philosophic thought which tries to establish a new philosophy of history and which includes a new philosophic religion as contrasted with the religions of the Jewish and Christian faith. The second part will deal with the transformation of sociology and the philosophy of history into a scientific discipline. This scientific discipline has made important contributions to our understanding of the continuous changes in religious patterns according to the influence of environment and science. It is the main concern of the course to point out that the great institutions of Jewish and Christian religions are able to integrate the achievments of science and philosophy without destroying belief in the God of Creation and the God of Immortality.

Professor Salomon's recently published book "The Tyranny of Progress" will be used as a text for the first part of the course.

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ROY WILKINS

NAACP'S Head to be Speaker at Men's Club

The February meeting of the Men's Club will be devoted to a discussion of the topic "Segregation in Schools—Will It Be Eliminated?" Roy Wilkins, Administrator of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, will be the guest speaker.

Chairman for the program on Thursday, February 24, will be Rabbi Morris N. Kertzer, who has helped to organize the Men's Club and has been a member since its inception.

During the evening the whole problem of implementing the decision of the United States Supreme Court, outlawing segregation in the schools of the nation, will be aired.

Mr. Wilkins was one of the men personally engaged in presenting the case before the Supreme Court last year. He has been affiliated with the NAACP since 1931 and was Editor of *The Crisis*, the monthly magazine of the Association from 1934 through January 1950.

At the time of the formation of the United Nations in San Francisco in May 1945. Mr. Wilkins was one of the NAACP consultants to the American delegation. In addition he is known nationally because of his many radio, television and lecture appearances as well as through the pamphlets and magazine articles he has written on various aspects of race relations.

This will be a meeting not to miss. It is being held on Thursday evening, February 24, instead of Tuesday, at 8:30 P.M.

Young Marrieds Hear Three Members Speak

A unique symposium was held at the last meeting of the Young Marrieds meeting Tuesday Evening, February 8. The speakers for the evening were three members of the group, William Riemer, Mortimer Matz and Dr. Nathan Schifrin.

Mr. Riemer spoke about Direct Mail advertising, and his talk included samples of the latest premiums, give aways and devices used by manufacturers to promote their products.

Dr. Schifrin discussed the newest development in the fight to prevent polio with emphasis on the Salk vaccine and gamma globulin.

Mr. Matz led the group through the picture department of *The News*. He gave the background of some of the biggest scoop pictures the *News* has published including the Snider electrocution, the Hindenberg crash and others.

Steinberg House

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eated of stained glass. The four-story expanse was designed by Adolph Gottlieb, one of the country's best known abstract artists."

"The facade consists of a checkerboard pattern of 91 individual window panels set in an aluminum frame. The pattern repeats at intervals 21 different abstract compositions called "pictographs," derived from traditional symbols pertaining to the Jewish ritual."

"The compositions are executed in rich, vivid colors and are set against a background of diamond-shaped panels of pale amber, yellow and green, selected to give a warm, neutral light to the interior classrooms. The entire wall is 30 feet (9 meters) wide and 55 feet (16.5 meters) high."

The *Purim* cut shown in this issue was taken from the photograph supplied to us by the United States Government.

Yiskor Elohim

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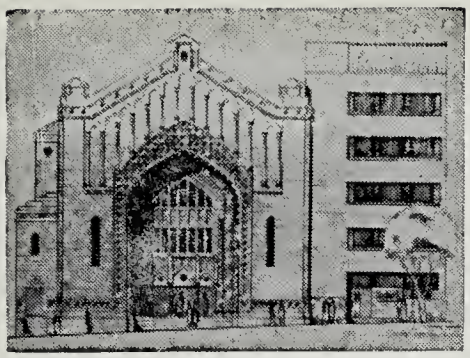

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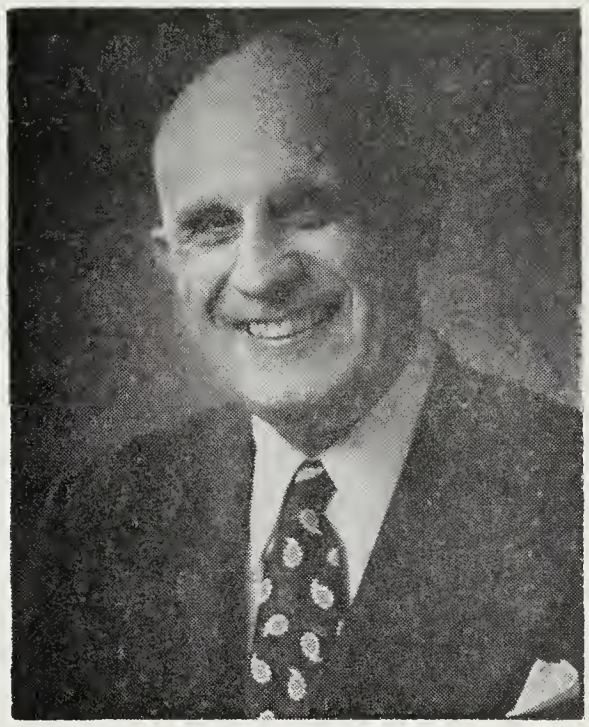
Ezra Cohen Elected Chairman of Board

The 73rd annual congregational meeting of the Park Avenue Synagogue was held on Wednesday evening, February 16, in the auditorium of the Synagogue. More than 100 members attended the meeting which was called to order by Jacob Klein, the president.

After welcoming the members, Mr. Klein turned over the meeting to Joseph Howard Katz, who has been acting chairman of the Board of Trustees since the resignation of Judge Sanford H. Cohen. The annual report of Judge Cohen, as chairman of the Board, published in the last issue of the BULLETIN and which reviewed the activities of the Synagogue during the past year, was read by Mr. Katz.



EZRA COHEN

The report of the Nominating Committee, headed by Judge Bernard Botein, and which had been approved by the Board of Trustees, was adopted and the entire slate of officers and members of the Board of Trustees was unanimously elected.

The new chairman of the Board will be Ezra Cohen, whose membership activities in behalf of the Synagogue include several decades of devoted service. Many years ago, he was Bar Mitzvah in this Synagogue. During the five year period from 1948 to 1952, he served as

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Com. Simon to Speak At Sisterhood Sabbath

Friday evening, March 11, has been designated as Sisterhood Sabbath. The speaker on this occasion will be Commissioner Caroline K. Simon, member of the New York State Committee against Discrimination. The subject she has chosen "Your Role in Ending Discrimination" is one which should alert and stimulate everyone to more positive thinking.

HON. CAROLINE SIMON

Mrs. Simon enjoys a wide-spread reputation in the field of Law and throughout the Jewish Community. She is Chairman of the Legal Aid Committee of the New York County Lawyers' Association and a member of the New York City Bar Association, the New York State Bar Association, the American Bar Association and the International Bar Association. She has been affiliated closely with the work of the Jewish Board of Guardians, the American Jewish Committee, the National Conference

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Dr. Ritey Concludes Friday Lecture Series

Dr. Hector J. Ritey, a practicing psychoanalyst and member of the Committee on Adult Education of the Synagogue will discuss "Discrimination and Prejudice in Contemporary Society" on

DR. HECTOR J. RITEY

Friday Evening March 4 in the Auditorium following services. He is the concluding speaker in the series, Moral Dilemmas of Our Time.

He is a Diplomate of the American Board of Psychiatry, a fellow of the American Psychiatric and Orthopsychiatric Associations. For the current year, he is Chairman of the Section on Legal Aspects of Psychiatry of the American Psychiatric Association. He is Director of the Psychiatric Services of the Salvation Army, and is on the teaching staff of the National Psychological Association for Psychoanalysis. He presented papers and was appointed Chairman of Study Groups at the International Con-

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Saturday Morning, March 12 .....9:45 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Arthur Lord
Rabbi Noveck will deliver the Sermon

from the desk of Rabbi Noveck

Several aspects of our Synagogue program have given me great encouragement of late and made me feel that we are making real progress in our congregational life.

First is the dramatic success of our Religious Schools. The enrollment this year is over 300 students, with 165 in the three day a week Hebrew School. But more important than the large registration, is the great joy with which the children attend and the wonderful spirit that is prevalent throughout the school. The small homogeneous classes, the imaginative teaching, the art work in puppetry and copper, the songs and dances in the classroom, the visits to the Jewish Museum—all contribute to a satisfying emotional experience for our young people. Even the student teachers have caught the spirit and teach with enthusiasm and devotion. No wonder the consultants of the Jewish Education Committee who have visited the School lately have given us such a favorable rating.

Secondly, there is the expanding youth program under the direction of Mr. Hyman Sankel, principal of a public school in the Bronx. The teen-age group which he organized during the past couple of months now attracts between 70 and 90 young people every Sunday afternoon. Eight of its members attended the National Convention of United Synagogue Youth held in Boston at the end of December and came back inspired to develop a fine Jewish program. The boys and girls are gradually learning to recognize that they are part of a national Jewish youth movement. Organization of Brownie and Cub Scout groups, as well as regular Boy and Girl Scout troops, and the opening of the Game Room and the Art Club help to attract more youngsters to our buildings than ever before. Much of the credit for this expanding youth program goes to the Youth Activities Committee, under the chairmanship of Colonel Melvin L. Krulewitch, and the sympathetic understanding of the Board of Trustees.

Thirdly, and perhaps most important of all, have been the Friday Evening Lecture Series and symposia which have almost doubled Synagogue attendance over last year. While not every lecture is on the same level, we have had, without doubt, some very exciting and stimulating intellectual experiences this winter. Dr. Paul Friedman's discussion on "The Need to Belong," in which Leo Schwartz, the well-known Jewish anthologist, and Dr. Alfred Marrow, lecturer in Social Psychology at the New School and member of our Congregation, participated, kept the audience interested until long after eleven o'clock. Dr. Louis Linn's presentation on "The Need to Believe" created a great deal of discussion for a week after it was given. Many of the papers have been edited and I hope to publish them together with the best talks of last year's series so that those of you who could not attend may have a chance to read them.

Mrs. Roosevelt's appearance in our Congregation, Charles Angoff's comprehensive, enlightening and entertaining lecture on Jewish-American literature, Maxwell Rabb's response to my questions on "Ethics and Politic," and the enjoyable evening given us by Drs. Bien, Glassman, Orgel and Wechsler on "Morals and Medicine," were to me all delightful experiences.

That our membership is now larger than it has ever been, that the financial structure of the Congregation is sound and that we are moving forward in our activities, our Services and programs, all indicate a bright future for the Park Avenue Synagogue.

What has been so gratifying for me in all these ventures has been the spirit of cooperation of the members of the Congregation and the willingness of almost everyone I have approached to participate in our programs. That, added to the friendship and encouragement displayed by so many of you in recent months, the increasing numbers among you who have come to discuss personal and family problems, the opportunities you have given me to share in your joys and sorrows, all help to make the Rabbinate at the Park Avenue Synagogue a gratifying experience.

Elections

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vice-chairman of the Board, and for many years, he has been chairman of the Membership Committee. He also served as chairman of the School Board.

In addition to the election of Ezra Cohen as chairman and Harold R. Starkman as vice-chairman of the Board, the following officers were elected: Jacob Friedman, Honorary President; Jacob Klein, President; Archie Thurman, 1st Vice-President; Saul Godwin, 2nd Vice-President; Nelson Ruttenberg, Treasurer; Milton Sivek, Associate Treasurer; and Emanuel Rosenthal, Executive Seeretary.

The following were elected to the Board of Trustees for a three year term: I. M. Cohen, Hon. Abraham N. Geller, Saul Godwin, Victor Herwitz, Saul Horowitz, Morris Joffe, Mrs. William Karmiol, Samuel Lemberg, Dr. Harold Osserman, Benjamin Sack and Harold R. Starkman.

Rabbi Simon Noveck and Cantor David Putterman also graced the dais. In installing the officers and members of the Board, Rabbi Noveck congratulated each with an admixture of humor and seriousness, with words of praise and welcome. Jacob Klein, re-elected as President, also addressed the meeting. His message appeared in the last issue of the BULLETIN.

In accepting the gavel from the acting chairman, Ezra Cohen delivered his message to the Congregation (see Chairman's message).

In closing the meeting, Mr. Joseph H. Katz, the retiring chairman, said a few words (see J. H. Katz Message).

The meeting closed on a warm and cheerful note when Mrs. William Karmiol, president of Sisterhood presented a check for $6,000 to Ezra Cohen, the newly elected chairman, as an additional contribution to the Milton Steinberg House.

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of Christians and Jews and the National Jewish Welfare Board.

Her activities on the local scene as well as throughout the country encompass a wide variety of interests, including among many others, employment, labor management and civilian defense. A reception and Oneg Shabbat will follow these services to which all members of the Congregation are cordially invited.

Message of the Chairman

"Rabbi Noveck, Cantor Putterman, Fellow Members:

One cannot help but feel flattered by your very complimentary remarks, Rabbi. I am deeply moved by your analogy but, nevertheless, very much disturbed because of the burden it places upon me. If I can eventually merit just a minute percentage of the comparison with my ancient namesake, my personal gratification will be quite complete.

All of you who are attending this meeting tonight entered this auditorium through the Milton Steinberg House, but on hundreds of other occaions you entcred through the doors directly in the rear.

You may have noticed a number of marble slabs just as you came in. Each one is commemorative of some event. The largest one, dated in the Hebrew Calendar 5664 and in the Gregorian 1904 commemorates a complete renovation of the Synagogue which was then on the north side of 86th Street between Lexington and Park Avenues. It was completed in that year, a somewhat similar operation to the one we have just consummated but on a smaller scale.

You have just elected a list of officers and trustees for the ensuing term. I should like to read off to you a list of officers and trustees of another day. These are the names on that marble slab: Ezekiel Plonsky, President; Herman Zadek, Vice-President; Simon Schwesenski, Treasurer, Edward Barcinski, Secretary.

Trustees: Robert Wolff, Hyman Ensler, Max Lowenstein, Dr. S. E. Wolff, Danel Kohn, Max Jacob and L. J. Grinberg.

I personally knew these men with the possible exception of two or three whom I may not remember. I doubt if there is another person in the entire congregation who can attest to the same.

Most vividly I recall the zeal, the energy and the unselfish devotion with which these men conducted the affairs of this synagogue. As a mere youngster it made such a lasting impression on me that I think it has been a dominating influence through all the years of my life.

These men were devoted to an ideal. The preservation of the Synagogue was their duty. They were given that trust. Exactly who would come after them was not their immediate concern but they made it their business to see that it would be possible for others to succeed them in this Synagogue.

Since that time these names have almost been forgotten. They and their families have faded into oblivion and I doubt if there are any evidences of descendants in the membership that is here today. They have all gone, but this Synagogue is still here. It is here because in each period of its existence there were always those who assumed the trust. There were always those who had faith.

I have seen evidences of outright heroism in this Synagogue. It was during the depths of the depression. The affairs of the Synagogue were at a low point. There were fewer than one hundred members. The closing of the doors for good was a real threat.

It was necessary to raise a loan of staggering proportions. The loan was raised. I personally witnessed twenty men, who constituted the Board at the time, step up to a table and sign a bond, a guarantee, pledging everything material they owned and which would even affect the comfort and safety of those dear to them. They did not falter. They did not hesitate. When the test of backbone came they stood up to a man. They were trustees. The fate of the Temple depended upon them and the doors remained open.

A short time later it was Divine Providence which sent us Milton Steinberg and David Putterman and you all know what happened from then on.

The strength of this institution lies in the families which constitute its membership. That means all of the families.

No family is expendable. No family can be counted out—and certainly none of those who have unselfishly given of their time, talent and resources. It is this family spirit that has kept this institution alive. It is this spirit which made possible the Milton Steinberg House. It is this spirit which will carry on to greater accomplishments in the future.

Isn't it a pity that there should have to be a diminution of activity on the part of Sanford and Mary Cohen who have made so many contributions to the welfare and benefit of this congregation? And that goes for Joe Katz, also.

It is the solidarity of purpose of the

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UJA Message for Women

In a recent news interview, Faris el-Khoury, prime minister of Syria, publicly proclaimed that Syria would use American shipments of arms to attack Israel, even if specifically forbidden to use these arms for aggressive purposes.

"American arms should be accepted and Israel should be attacked with them at a propitious hour," the prime minister said. "I guarantee that I shall be able to justify this attack before the Security Council and even the International Court of Justice, if necessary," he continued.

Faris el-Khoury's boast proves what we all know. Israel must, to protect herself, spend more and more money for defense purposes. It means that she has less money to spend on other important things. It also means that she must rely more and more on the United Jewish Appeal to aid the 30,000 immigrants expected to arrive from North Africa in 1955 and to help those recent immigrants who have not yet been absorbed.

We must help Israel in her hour of need. We can do this by working and contributing to the United Jewish Appeal at this crucial time. Enlist as a worker and HELP UJA MEET ITS 1955 GOAL OF ALMOST $100,000,000.

Send contributions to: UJA Chairman, Mrs. Benjamin Sack, 1100 Park Ave., N. Y. C.

Chairman's Message

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Synagogue families, the good will, the cordiality and the friendships which have been the bulwark of this institution. They must be preserved. Every effort will be directed to that end.

The Rabbi and the Cantor are the spiritual leaders of this congregation. They should never be embarrassed with any of the functional participation which is rightly the province of committees and affiliate organizations. Consultation — yes. Advice — Yes. Participation — No!

Even though we who are here now will eventually be gone, others will take our places as has happened in the past. Someone will always be here to see that our heritage is preserved for the future.

If a specific policy is needed it will be implemented. In so doing we will proceed modestly, quietly but firmly. Thank you for your trust in me."

Message of Joseph H. Katz

"Until a few hours ago I had every intention of taking my seat immediately following my reading of Judge Cohen's report, thus making my departure from the position of Vice-Chairman of the Board which I occupied these past two years.

But during these last few days I have received calls from many friends who have asked me to comment on the matter that has never been discussed publicly in this auditorium but which has been the topic of conversation in the home of every congregant this past year. I refer, of course, to the controversy surrounding Rabbi Noveck.

I am mindful of the fact that monologue alone is insufficient in human affairs. If discussion is to be fruitful, a quarrel settled, men must not merely talk at one another or about one another. They must talk to one another; they must meet face to face. Several of our Trustees, however, have made the specific request that such public airing should not take place here this evening, and I ask you to respect and honor their wishes.

Some agree with one side of the controversy; some with the other; some have no opinion because they haven't heard all the facts; others have heard all the facts but refuse to express an opinion. I feel certain that the conscience of every member of this congregation, no matter where he stands, has been disturbed, and no one can be proud of this episode in our Synagogue history.

My concern on leaving the Vice-Chairmanship is the future welfare of our congregation. I have been brought up to believe, and I have expressed that opinion heretofore, that the Synagogue is bigger than any of us, bigger than the Pulpit, bigger than the Board of Trustees and its officers, bigger than any individual member no matter how important he may be, and bigger than any group of members.

When, therefore, I see our Synagogue tottering and floundering like a ship without a rudder, friends no longer on speaking terms, dissension within our families, members reulctant to attend services, I am truly apprehensive of the future of Park Avenue Synagogue.

This institution has functioned these past decades as a national shrine in Judaism. To many of us it has meant Jewish survival through its worship and instruction. We must not let it down. We must think of our present crisis and the prime requisite for thinking through it, is to adopt the moral realism of the great Prophets and not to flinch at the gruesome task of becoming aware of what's wrong with our people and our leaders.

When you leave here tonight, I ask you to return to our old ways of family unity. It is our beloved Synagogue which is in jeopardy. We must not let it down.

And now, if you will permit me a few additional words as a personal tribute to our retired Chairman of the Board, which I borrowed from the poet Virgil, who expresses it much better than I can hope to do:

'Ever shall thy honor, they name and thy praises endure.' "

Professor Albert Salomon's course on SOCIOLOGY AND RELIGION, will be held on Monday evenings at 8:30 P.M., through March 28. The classes in Elementary and Advanced Hebrew will also be held at 8:00 P.M. through March 28.

Teenagers Plan Dance For UJA April 23

The teenage group of the Park Avenue Synagogue is planning a benefit dance for the United Jewish Appeal, It will be held on Saturday, April 23. at 8 P.M. in the Auditorium of the Synagogue. Refreshments will be served.

The chairmen of the dance are Alice Heyman and Steve Levy. Teddy Zucker, Michael Friedman, and Judy Kleeblatt are the committee chairmen. Other chairmen include: Publicity, Robert Cogan and Carole Phillips; Entertainment, Dave Hexter and Margie Hyman; Refreshments, Peggy Katz and Martin Coopersmith. Door Committee, Mike Rosen and Steve Helpern; Tickets, Sue Jacobs and Kenny Rosen; Decorations, Helene Harlem; Door Prizes, Helen Horawitz and Steve Feldman.

Doris Wimpfheimer, President of the club requests the cooperation of all youth in the community. This affair should be the highlight of the season.

SCHOOL NEWS

Poetry Published

"*World Over*," a national magazine for boys and girls, recently published in two successive issues, poems submitted by students in class 3 of the Primary Department. The poems were written in the class as part of a discussion on Hillel.

Congratulations to the young writers Rose Brown, age 7½; Debby Fein, age 7; Lois Finkel, age 8; and to their teacher, Mrs. Belle Miller.

Tribute To Teachers

During Open School Week, the many parents who visited the classes and observed the instruction expressed words of praise for the Milton Steinberg House as a school building and for the work done by the teachers and the children.

A number of parents wrote to the school and we reprint this letter of appreciation by a parent of one teacher as a tribute to all of the teachers in our Religious School.

"This is my daughter Nan's first year in religious school and we are so happy that she is privileged to attend Park Avenue Sunday School. Mrs. ..... is a rare teacher—one who loves her work and the children. She is giving them such a happy and enthusiastic introduction to Judaism—one so much broader than we received. We wish to thank you for this opportunity to visit with you."

Purim Parties

On Sunday, March 6, the children of the Primary Department will hold their annual *Purim* Parties and Special *Purim* Assembly. The children will come to

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Ritey Speaks

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vention on Criminology in Paris in 1950, and of Mental Health in Mexico City in 1951 and in Toronto in 1954.

In Summer 1953 he was called as a consultant to the Lasker Clinic in Jerusalem, where he gave a series of lectures on "Psychiatry and Religion". These lectures are the nucleus of a book by the same title which will be published in the near future. He will be joined in his discussion by Rabbi Noveck who will discuss the Jewish point of view on the subject.

Parents Group Conducts Annual Purim Workshop

The Parents Association has once again conducted a *Purim* Workshop under the chairmanship of Mrs. Stanley Simon and Mrs. A. Stangel. It was held on Sunday morning, February 27; and on Monday and Tuesday afternoons, February 28 and March 1 from 4 to 5:30 P.M. in Room 200 of the Milton Steinberg House.

An unusually fine exhibit of costumes was on display. These will eventually be used to start a costume wardrobe to be made available for use for pageants, plays, and parties to be given at the Religious School. Mrs. A. Stangel was in attendance to give complete instructions on costume making to mothers and children.

The exhibit also included various ceremonial traditional objects pertaining to *Purim*, pamphlets with instructions on home observance, recipes for traditional food, decorations, and games. The Workshop added another feature this year for the "Do It Yourself" enthusiasts.

TORAH COVERS

Mrs. Anna Edelman has just completed nine Torah Covers for the new Synagogue in the Milton Steinberg House. Those interested in having these beautiful Torah Covers dedicated in their name or in memory of a loved one, should communicate with Rabbi Noveck. The proceeds from the sale of these articles will be contributed to the Milton Steinberg Memorial Fund.

Rabbi to Sponsor Annual Tea For New Synagogue Members

The annual Tea for new members who have joined the Synagogue during the past year or so will be held at the home of Rabbi Noveck, 221 East 78 Street, on Sunday, March 6, from 3 to 7 P.M. New members who have recently affiliated themselves with the Synagogue are cordially invited to attend.

Sisterhood Reaches $50,000 Goal for Milton Steinberg Fund

With the presentation of a check for $6,000 at the Congregational Meeting, Sisterhood is proud to announce that this completes their $50,000 pledge to the Milton Steinberg Memorial Fund. Sisterhood would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who made this contribution possible.

Friday, March 11 has been designated as Sisterhood Sabbath. The speaker will be the Honorable Caroline K. Simon, who is in charge of all Anti-Discrimination in New York State.

The guest speaker at the March 15 Open Meeting will be Enid Kaufman, who will speak on "The Artist and His Models." Mrs. Kaufman, an artist of renown, will exhibit sketches of several of her portraits of famous Americans and will explain how she came to do each.

Mrs. Kaufman has had many one-man shows in Paris, Montreal, New York, and many other cities in the United States. She is also the co-author of "American Portraits," with Dorothy Canfield Fisher who wrote a brief biography to accompany each portrait.

This promises to be a most unusual and stimulating afternoon, and all members of Sisterhood, members of the congregation, and their friends are cordially invited to attend the meeting.

Following the meeting, Rabbi Simon Noveck will personally conduct a tour of the Milton Steinberg Building for those who have not yet seen the new building and wish to do so.

Mazel Tov

TO Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Finn and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Kaye on the Birth of their grandson, Richard Mark Finn.

TO Dr. and Mrs. Samuel Beranbaum on the Brth of ther son, John Arthur.

Congregation to Hold Purim Celebration

School News

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school in costume and participate in *Purim* games and in a *Purim* Parade. At the Assembly they will be entertained by Michael Fleisher, a student in the Hebrew Department, who has prepared an appropriate show featuring *Purim* tricks and magic. Refreshments will be served to all the children by the class mothers.

Purim Masquerade Dance

The students in the Hebrew Department have planned a *Purim* Masquerade Dance to be held on Sunday afternoon, March 6, between 1:30 and 3:30 P.M. in the new auditorium.

The gaily costumed students will have an opportunity to participate in social dancing, square dancing, called by Jack Landman, and in holiday games.

Prizes will be awarded for the most beautiful, the most comical, the most original and the most *Purimedic* costumes.

Refreshments mill be served through the kindness of the Parents Association. All arrangements for the dance are being planned by a committee appointed by the Synagogue Council of the Junior Congregation.

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The *Purim* Celebration at the Synagogue will be on Monday evening, March 7, at 8:00 P.M. It promises to be the most gala function the Synagogue has had in its new Auditorium. The festivities will follow the reading of the *Megillah* in the Synagogue.

Mrs. William Karmiol, President of the Sisterhood, has been named Chairman of the *Purim* party by our newly elected Chairman of the Board, Ezra Cohen. Mrs. Sol Waldman and Mrs. Harry Yarnis will be hostesses for the occasion.

JACK BRASS

Mrs. Karmiol wishes to announce that the Synagogue has been unusually fortunate in securing top flight entertainment for the occasion. One of the most popular international singers, Martha Schlamme who has sung from London to Los Angeles will interpret her songs. Captain Jack Brass who was born in England and served as a member of Haganah Intelligence is known as a first rung speaker, singing soldier and statesman.

Rabbi Simon Noveck and Cantor David Putterman will officiate at the Syngogue Service and *Megillah* reading.

MARTHA SCHLAMME

Megillah Reading

The children of the Primary and Hebrew Departments of the Religious School will participate in the reading of the *Megillah* on Monday, March 7, between 4:30 and 5:30 P.M.

In addition to the traditional reading of the Book of Esther, the Hebrew Department will present for the first time a *Purim Cantata*, written by Frances Davidson with music by Charles Davidson, a member of the faculty.

Students and their parents are urged to come to this reading of the *Megillah* and help to create a mild form of pandemonium at the mention of Haman's name.

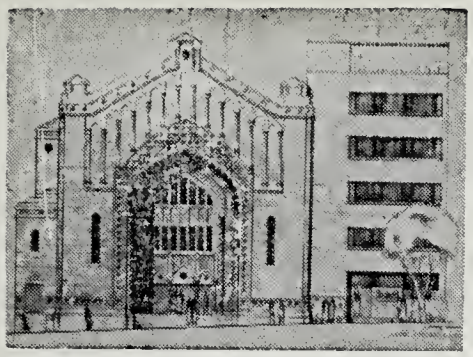
Each child will receive a *gregger*, *hamantashen* and a bag of candy.

Camp *Ramah*

The Religious School endorses the *Ramah* Camp Program which is operated by the United Synagogue of America in cooperation with the Teachers Institute of the Jewish Theological Seminary.

At *Ramah* Camps, all activities, including athletics and water sports, are conducted in Hebrew. Study and discussion groups in Judaism and subjects of current interest are conducted daily.

Last year five of the Religious School students attended *Ramah*—three for the second year. At the present moment six boys in the School are enrolled for the coming season. Applications for the three *Ramah* Camps—Wisconsin, Connecticut and Pennsylvania—may be procured from the National Camp Ramah Office, 3080 Broadway.



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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday Evening, March 18 .....8:15 P.M.
Rabbi Moses Sachs will deliver the Sermon

Saturday Morning, March 19 .....9:45 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Elliot Zucker

Friday Evening, March 25 .....8:15 P.M.
FIFTH YAHRZEIT OF RABBI MILTON STEINBERG

Saturday Morning, March 26 .....9:45 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Stephen Feig
Rabbi Noveck will deliver the Sermon

Annual Passover Seder to be Held At Synagogue Second Eve, April 7

All the families who are part of the Congregation of the Park Avenue Synagogue or are affiliates and friends of the Congregation, have been invited to join in the Congregational *Seder* which will be held on the second night of *Passover*, Thursday evening, April 7 in the new Auditorium. Following a tradition that had begun to grow up in the Synagogue, interrupted last year by the building of the Milton Steinberg House, the Board of Trustees at their recent meeting decided to resume the community *seder* which has been growing in popularity amongst the members.

The Synagogue evening services will be held at 6:00 P.M. At 6:30 P.M. will begin one of the most significant and impressive ceremonies of the Jewish holidays. In both the Services and the *Seder*, Rabbi Simon Noveck and Cantor David J. Putterman will officiate. The Choir will also participate in the *Seder*, as well as the Synagogue serv-

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Jews Honored at West Point

At ceremonies held at West Point March 6, the American Jewish Tercentenary Committee paid tribute to the first graduation class of the United States Military Academy.

Jewish participation in United States Military Service was stressed in the ceremonies.

The committee on Military Participation of the Tercentenary presented a

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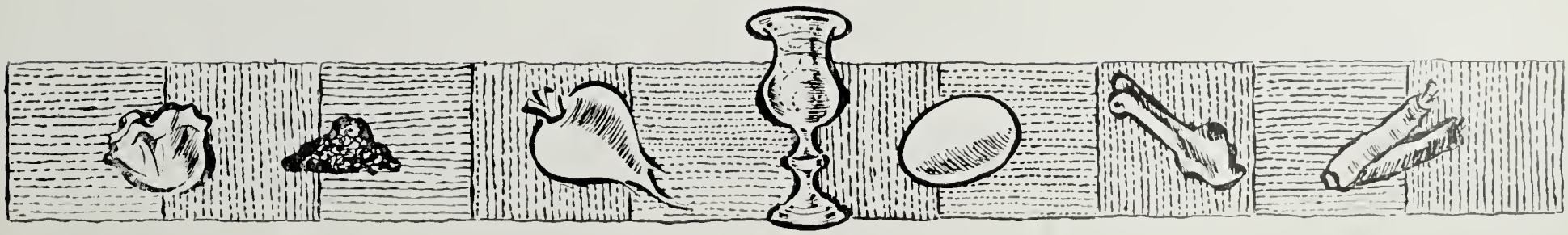
Moses Sachs to be Guest Rabbi Mar. 18

Rabbi Moses Bertram Sachs of Temple Am Echod, Waukegan, Illinois, will deliver the sermon at Services on Friday evening, March 18.

Rabbi Sachs was born in Baltimore, Maryland. He was graduated from the University of Maryland in 1940 and also from the Baltimore Hebrew College. In 1944 he was ordained from the Jewish Theological Seminary.

Following his ordination, Rabbi Sachs served as a Chaplaincy replacement in Pottsville, Pennsylvania and Houston, Texas from 1945 to 1947. As a Chaplain in the United States Army he was stationed in Okinawa for one year. He served as Director of the English language section of the World Zionist Organization in Jerusalem from 1947 to 1949. Upon his return to this country he was elected Assistant to Rabbi Solomon Goldman, of Anshe Emet Synagogue in Chicago, one of the largest Conservative congregations, whose membership is more than 1800 families. He served there for two years, and in 1952 was elected to his present pulpit in Waukegan, Illinois.

Rabbi Sachs has had special training in Pastoral Psychology with Dr. Karl Rogers at the University of Chicago. He is studying for his Ph.D. degree at the University of Chicago.



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from the desk of the President

(Many of the congregants who attended the Friday Evening Services sponsored by the Parents Association are still acclaiming the inspiring address delivered by Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt. It may be of interest to members of the congregation to read the following correspondence between Jacob Klein, President and Eleanor Roosevelt.)

Dear Mrs. Roosevelt.

I should like to add to what Rabbi Noveck said to and about you last Friday evening at the Park Avenue Synagogue.

On behalf of the Officers, Chairman and members of the Board, and the entire membership body of 750 families, as well as in my own behalf, I want to congratulate and compliment you on the very fine talk you delivered on the subject of Education for Peace through the U.N. on Friday evening, January 21st, 1955.

It was inspiring, informative, intellectual and spiritual and it was delivered in the presence of the largest gathering that any speaker at the Park Avenue Synagogue ever attracted and you certainly could not help but notice with what attention your audience listened to every word you said. Although, I, as well as undoubtedly some others, were familiar with a few of the instances you referred to, yet, I am sure we all profited by the way you brought them to our attention.

I hope you won't think it presumptuous on my part to quote to you the following, which appeared in the *Spectator* for November 6, 1711.

"Education is a companion which no misfortune can depress, no crime can destroy, no enemy can alienate, no despotism can enslave; at home a friend, abroad an introduction, in solitude a solace and in society an ornament. It chastens vice, it guides virtue, it gives at once grace and government to genius. Without it, what is man? A splendid slave, a reasoning savage".

I have always felt that summed up. "Education" is beautiful, and yet, and yet.

See what happened in your lifetime and in mine with the educated Germans whose culture was supposed to be the highest and most enlightened; two world wars and millions of people killed, enslaved and degraded.

The Jewish people always believed in education—and we are referred to as "The people of the book". I don't know whether you know it or not, but in the daily prayers of the Jew, there is a prayer which we recite of the various ethical concepts of a Jew's duties and this prayer finishes with this statement "and the study of the Torah (world knowledge) is equal to them all". And I think the Jew has suffered more than any other peoples, despite all he does to educate himself.

There is a prayer that the Jew recites about every woman every Friday night. It is entitled *"Esches Chayil,"* variously translated, either *"A woman of worth"*, *"A woman of virtue"* or a *"woman of valor"* and I will not give you the whole prayer, but will quote the following:

"Many daughters have performed worthily
But thou excelleth them all"

I feel this applies with great force to you, Mrs. Roosevelt.

We are all very proud of you and that you are respected, honored and loved by all the people is attested in some degree by the large audiences you are able to attract.

I hope Education for Peace through the U.N. will be the greatest factor in procuring world peace and if it is, great credit will be given to you for your wonderful humanitarianism.

With deep reverence and the prayers of all our people for your continued good health and long life and with deep personal affection from Mrs. Klein and myself

Cordially,
JACOB KLEIN

Dear Mr. Klein:

Thank you very much for your kind letter and for bringing the fine quotation from the Spectator to my attention.

I am very glad you felt my remarks were worthwhile and I deeply appreciate your writing to tell me so.

Very sincerely yours,
ELEANOR ROOSEVELT

Passover

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ice. In order to ssure the success of the affair, Ezra Cohen, Chairman of the Board of Trustees appointed Mrs. Samuel Wimpfheimer, *Seder* Chairman.

Mrs. Wimpfheimer, who will be ably assisted by a Committee of Mrs. Fannie Reiff and Mrs. Harriet Winnick, acting co-chairmen with her, expects the Committee to be enlarged with additional help.

A delicious full course dinner will be served and the cost will be $8.50 per person. To encourage the participation of children, the subscription for youngsters under thirteen will be $4.25 per child.

It is hoped by the Chairman and her Committee, that the *Seder* will be a real family affair. Members should respond as quickly as possible with their checks and lists of guests. Make checks payable to the Park Avenue Synagogue, 50 East 87th Street, New York 28, N. Y.

Much enthusiasm and interest have been shown in the *Seders*. Rabbi Noveck when interviewed said: "That beyond any question the most dramatic ceremony in the Jewish Calendar is the

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Red Cross Sends Message

The annual Red Cross drive was inaugurated March 1. In the past your cooperation and donations thru the Park Avenue Synagogue have been generous. May I look forward to the same thoughtful contributions this year.

Thank you
Mrs. Edward Munves
Red Cross Chairman

YOUTH ACTVITIES

On Sunday, February 13, the Youth Group undertook its first celebration of Brotherhood Week. The program which was composed of two excellent pictures was very impressive. The first movie, "The Aaronsberg Story" dealt mith a small Lutheran church in Pennsylvania that was built by funds contriputed by Aaron Levy, a Jew, for whom the town was named. The second entitled "The Toymaker" presented the meaning of brotherhood in a very documentive form.

The most recent meetings of the club have been devoted to organizing committees and to planning for the large April dance. The plans call for refreshments and a dance band. The receipts from the dance will be turned over to the United Jewish Appeal.

A third *Seder* will be held in the Auditorium on April 9 with the group playing host to members of five Jewish Youth Groups in New York City. Many of the major parts in the service will be conducted by members. Some of the more ambitious members have entered a national sermon contest under the auspices of the same group. The prize for the lucky winner is a trip to Israel.

On the agenda for the meeting of March 13 was a question and answer period conducted by Rabbi Noveck. The questions that will be posed to the Rabbi will concern, "The Jew in the American Community."

Boy Scouts

Troop 600 of the Boy Scouts of the Park Avenue Synagogue meets every Wednesday evening. This group carries on a full scouting program. They have been on overnight hikes, rallies and a full day hike. Their latest project consists of cutting out pictures of the Milton Steinberg House from the Daily News for mailing to organizations and members. The next event is a swimming meet in which they expect to carry away all the honors.

Scouting

The new Brownie Scout Troop has finally been chartered by the Girl Scouts of America and it began its meetings under the very able leadership of Mrs. A. Sherr, Scout Leader. The Brownies are open to girls between the ages of seven and ten. They meet Fridays at 3:15 P.M. There are several openings in this newly formed Troop.

The Intermediate Girl Scout Troop which also meets on Fridays under the capable leadership of Mrs. Stanley Simon will consider girls for membership between the ages of 11 and 14.

Mazel Tov

TO Mr. and Mrs. Charles Beller on their 25th Wedding Anniversary, March 8.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Friedman on their 50th Wedding Anniversary, March 6

TO Jacob Klein on his Birthday, March 12.

TO Jonathan Steinberg on his 21st Birthday, March 8.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Greenstein on their 5th Wedding Anniversary.

TO Mr. and Mrs. David Hoexter on their 55th Wedding Anniversary, March 19.

Nathan Kogan Designated On AJC's Exec. Committee

Nathan Kogan, member of the Park Avenue Synagogue, has recently been named to the National Executive Committee of the American Jewish Congress, it was announced recently by Dr. Israel Goldstein. He has also been appointed VAVS representative of the Jewish Welfare Board Armed Services Division at the new Manhattan V. A. Hospital.

Ping Pong Tournament

The long awaited and long planned for ping pong tournament of the teenage group finally took place on Sunday, February 27. Steve Helpern was the able organizer of this event. After the first round, quarter finals, and semi-finals, Jeff Wechsler and Steve Helpern emerged as finalists. An exciting and thrill packed game followed and Jeff Wechsler was crowned champion.

SCHOOL NEWS

Sabbath Program

Class 1 of the Primary Department has added a very personal aspect to its study of the Sabbath. Each Sunday a pair of parents are invited to set a Sabbath atmosphere in the classroom with white tablecloth, shining candles, silver *Kiddush* cup, golden *challos* and savory gefilte fish. The mother repeats the blessing over the candles; the father chants the *Kiddush;* they sing simple "*zmiros*" and enjoy a fascinating Sabbath story.

This Sabbath Party, as inaugurated by Mrs. M. Shirion, the teacher of the class, is an experience in Judaism for the child within the school framework. At the same time, it acts as a point of identification for the parents with the school curriculum.

Keren Ami

Throughout the school year the Religious School students make their contributions to Keren Ami with the knowledge that, in June, their elected representatives in the Synagogue Council will allocate sums to many worthy philanthropic causes.

Martha Stein, treasurer of the Synagogue Council, recently submitted the following report on an unusual project that will receive the support of the students:

"This term the school of the five main synagogues of the mid-Manhattan area, Anshe Chesed, B'nai Jeshurun, Kehilath Jeshurun, Society for Advancement of Judaism and the Park Avenue Synagogue got together and decided on one project which all of them would aid. Since all over the United States, organizations and private citizens have contributed to almost the same causes, we decided to be different and use our combined efforts to support Recreation in Israel. Our money would be used to provide games, art supplies and athletic equipment for recreation centers used by children in Israel.

Since some synagogues have more pupils than others, the contributions from the different schools should vary. The quota for our school at this point is $70. Please contribute to Keren Ami this year to help the children of Israel enjoy some of the things that we in the United States take so much for granted."

Noted Artist Speaks At Sisterhood Meeting

Sisterhood's Open Meeting on Tuesday, March 15, featured Enit Kaufman, a prominent artist, who spoke on "The Artist and his Models." Mrs. Kaufman exhibited sketches of several of her famous portraits in connection with her talk.

On April 7, Sisterhood is sponsoring a Seder at the Synagogue. Mrs. Samuel Wimpfheimer is chairman of this event.

Tuesday, April 26 is Sisterhood's annual night meeting, to which the men are invited. An original pageant, "A Cavalcade of Jewish Women," will be presented. Watch the BULLETIN for further details.

West Point

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placque to the Academy in honor of its first two graduates of 1802. They were Simon M. Levy and Joseph G. Smith. Simon Levy was honored as the first Academy graduate of the Jewish faith. He was known as "the hero of the Maumee Rapids" during the Indian War in the Northwest. The battle was fought August 20, 1794 near Toledo, Ohio. As a reward for his good conduct as a Sargeant in the army, he was appointed in 1801 to West Point.

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Young Marrieds Tour Jewish Museum Mar. 29

The next meeting of the Young Marrieds will be held on Tuesday, March 29, at 8:30 P.M. at the Jewish Museum, Fifth Avenue and 92nd Street.

Mrs. Marvin Robinson, a member of the group, will conduct the tour. It should be interesting, as well as educational to all. At the conclusion of the tour the group will repair to a nearby restaurant for refreshments.

The Jewish Museum has been completely renovated and the new exhibits entitled "Under Freedom" commemorate the three hundredth anniversary of Jewish settlement in the United States. Individual exhibits include a reproduction of a typical Synagogue in 1799, and a display on Jewish life at the turn of the century and others.

Parents Group Sponsors Play on "Family Life"

The Parents Association will hold an open meeting on Monday evening, April 4 in the auditorium of the Milton Steinberg House.

The highlight of the evening will be a play on family life, "Point of Beginning", written by Nora Stirling and presented by the American Theatre Wing Community Players, a group of professional actors.

The story, which revolves around parents and their 10-year-old son and the 17-year-old son of a neighboring family, gives a graphic picture of the influence of a family's standards and values upon its children. "Point of Beginning" stresses not only the responsibility of parents to bring up responsible citizens in a community, but also emphasizes the need for religious faith in building family security.

After the presentation, there will be a symposium during which Rabbi Simon Noveck will act as moderator. The play, undoubtedly, will provoke many stimulating questions from the audience.

Refreshments and a social evening will follow. Members, their families, and their guests are invited to attend.

Men's Club to See New Film March 22

The men of the congregation are in for a treat at the next monthly meeting of the Men's Club which takes place on Tuesday, March 22, at 8:15 P.M.

A special film, which has not been shown publicly, will be viewed at the meeting. It pertains to the life story of a well known personality, and goes into all the details. This is definitely a program "for men only", which should not be missed.

Prior to the movie, a short business meeting will be held for a report on the Theater Party and by the chairmen of all the standing committees. There will be ample opportunity for open discussion by the members present, who may wish to offer suggestions, criticize or express their desires regarding the functioning of the club.

Passover Seder

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Passover Seder. Its rich pageantry symbolizing the universal ideal of freedom, its particular appeal to children as well as adults and its many historical associations make it one of the high points in the Jewish year."

Cantor Putterman remarked: "Each festival of the Jewish calendar year brings with it music which is symbolic and descriptive of the occasion. *Passover* is the richest in musical significance particularly at the *Seder* where from the very beginning with the chanting of the *Kiddush* to the closing gay and melodic *Chad Gadyo* the *yom-tovdic* spirit predominates."

Yiskor Elohim

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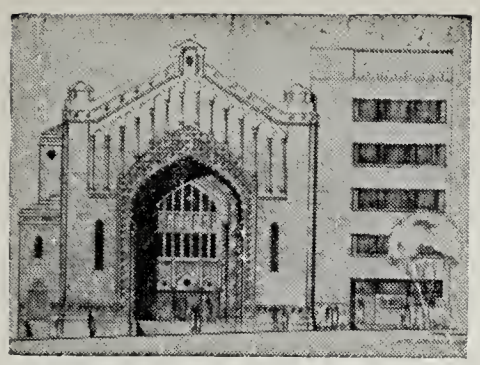

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday Evening, April 1 ..... 8:15 P.M.

SPECIAL TERCENTENARY SYMPOSIUM
"The American Jew Faces the Fourth Century"
Dr. Joshua Bloch — Dr. Werner J. Cahnman
Moderator: Dr. Maurice Finkelstein

Saturday, April 2 ..... 9:45 A.M.

The Great Sabbath
Bar Mitzvah of Joseph Weintraub
Rabbi Simon Noveck will preach

PASSOVER SCHEDULE

FIRST DAYS OF PASSOVER

First evening, Wednesday, April 6 ..... 6:00 P.M.
First morning, Thursday, April 7 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach
Second evening, Thursday, April 7 ..... 6:00 P.M.

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL SEDER AND DINNER 6:30 P.M.
Rabbi Noveck and Cantor Putterman will conduct the Seder assisted by the Synagogue Choir

Second morning, Friday, April 8 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach
Friday evening, April 8 ..... 6:00 P.M.
Saturday morning, April 9 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach

SECOND DAYS OF PASSOVER

Seventh evening, Tuesday, April 12 ..... 6:00 P.M.
Seventh morning, Wednesday, April 13 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach
Eighth evening, Wednesday, April 13 ..... 6:00 P.M.
Eighth morning, Thursday, April 14 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach
Memorial Services will be held

MUSICAL SERVICES WILL BE CONDUCTED BY CANTOR PUTTERMAN ASSISTED BY THE SYNAGOGUE CHOIR AND ORGAN

If you wish any of Your Family Memorialized
Please Return the Enclosed Card to the Synagogue Office

There Will be Early Services at 6 P.M. on Friday, April 8

Passover Seder to be Held Second Eve April 7

The *Seder* Committee is happy to report that many reservations are coming in for the Passover Community *Seder*, to be held on Thursday evening, April 7, in the new Auditorium.

The Synagogue evening services will be held at 6:00 P.M. and the *Seder* Service and Dinner will begin at 6:30 P.M.

The dinner, with all its traditional food, will be catered by Mrs. Safran, one of the Synagogue caterers, and the Committee is hard at work to make this a festive and outstanding evening.

Everyone will want to be part of this Synagogue *Seder* and reservations should be sent in as soon as possible.

Rabbi Simon Noveck and Cantor David J. Putterman, assisted by the Choir will officiate.

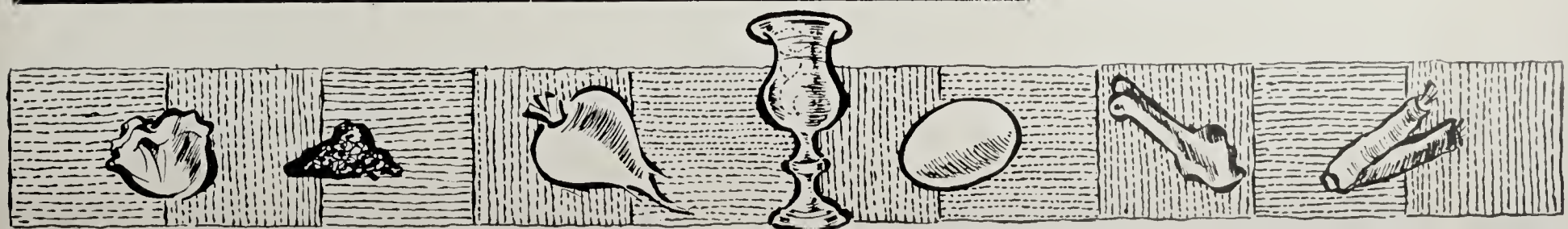
Please make checks payable to the Park Avenue Synagogue and mail to 50 East 87th Street, listing the names of all guests. Subscription is $8.50 per person and for youngsters under 13, $4.25 per child.

5th Steinberg Yahrzeit Observed at Synagogue

On Friday evening, March 25, 1955 the Synagogue commemorated the fifth *Yahrzeit* of Rabbi Milton Steinberg who passed away on the 2nd day of Nisan, 1950.

Rabbi Noveck read excerpts from letters and writings of Rabbi Steinberg. Cantor Putterman also sang some of the favorite musical selections of Milton Steinberg.

Rabbi David Lieber, guest speaker for the evening, quoted from Rabbi Steinberg's writings in his sermon for the evening.



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Observing Passover

MAOT HITTIM (*"money for wheat"*)

Before Passover we are all obliged to contribute money to a fund which will enable the poor to obtain Passover necessities.

TAANIT BECHORIM (*"the fast of the first born son"*)

On the night that the first born of the Egyptians were slain, the first born of the Israelites were saved. In commemoration of that event, the first born son in Jewish families fast on the day preceding Passover. Jewish practice, however, provides that following the morning Service, every synagogue has a *Siyum* (conclusion of a tractate of the Talmud) which is traditionally the occasion for a *Seudah Shel Mitzvah*, a repast which is part of a religious function. One need not fast if he attends such a feast.

SEFIRATH HAOMER (*"the counting from the Omer-measure"*)

Jewish tradition teaches that all of man's earthly possessions come to him from God. This teaching we find translated into actual living when the Jew fulfills the commandment to give a part of his wealth to God—*e.g.* sacrifices. "For all things come of Thee, and of Thine own have we given Thee."

Thus, on the second day of Passover the Jewish people brought a measure (Omer) of the newly harvested grain to the Temple as an offering. This harvesting of the *Omer* was cause for great festivities. From this day on, we count seven full weeks—49 days—the 50th day is *Shavuot*. This counting we call *Sefirath Haomer*.

SCHOOL NEWS

Passover Recess

The spring recess of the Religious School will take place during the Passover Week. School will close on Wednesday, April 6 and re-open on Sunday, April 17 at 9:45 A.M.

Passover Services

The Junior Congregation will hold holiday Services in the auditorium of the Synagogue on the First Days of Passover and the Second Days of Passover. Irving Spielman, who conducted High Holy Day Services at the Jewish Museum, will supervise the services on the mornings of April 6 and 7 and on April 13 and 14.

All students are urged to participate in the worship and to enjoy the holiday refreshments that will be served on each of the holidays.

Model Seder

The model *Seder* will be conducted by the students of the Relgious School, under the guidance of Rabbi Noveck, on Sunday morning, April 3, in the Auditorium of the Synagogue.

This year the parents of the students are invited to attend the *Seder* and join with the children in sitting around the *Seder* table and participating in the service. Each class in the school will be responsible for the decoration of its *Seder* table. Many classes have planned appropriate holiday centerpieces which have both a traditional and a modern significance. The reading of the *Hagadah* will be led by the students from the Hebrew Department. The students in the Primary Department will join in the singing of all of the Passover melodies.

Mrs. Bernard Grauer and her committee of Class Mothers, with the assistance of the members of the Holiday workshop, have arranged for the preparation and the serving of the food at the *Seder*.

Israeli Pen-Pals

In Autumn of 1955, Class 1A of the Hebrew Department initiated its first "Pen-Pal" project with Israel. With the cooperation of the Jewish Agency for Israel and the *Keren Hayesod*, the children were supplied with colorful introductory picture post cards written by Israeli school children and containing crushed flowers gathered in the hills of Galilee and Judea.

The project has just begun to bear fruit. Letters arrive weekly from all parts of Israel—Jerusalem, Tel-Aviv, Haifa, "*Kibbutzim*" in the Galil and farming settlements in the Negev. Each describes the experience of living in Israel—celebration of festivals, school life, life in the city and on the Kibbutz—all through the eyes of children.

The most recent letter describes the *Tu B'shevat* planting ceremony in the "Forest of the Marrtyrs." At present word is eagerly anticipated from our distant friends regarding preparations for Passover in Israel.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Third Seder

On March 20, "The Continentals," a talented musical group received their first audition with the Park Avenue Synagogue Youth Group. They were so successful, that they were engaged to play for the Third Youth Seder—April 9, 1955.

The band consists of; Stephen Rediker—Saxophone, James McCormick—Piano, Richard Carpenter—Drums, Lenny Popkin—Accordian and Violin, Stephen Botein—Guitar and Banjo. The leaders of "The Continentals" are Synagogue Youth members.

"The Continentals," are looking forward to playing at other Park Avenue Synagogue Youth affairs.

Game Room

The Game Room which has been open on Tuesday afternoons under the supervision of Francine Lerner has proved to be so successful that by popular demand the Youth Activities Division has decided to open the room on Wednesday afternoons also.

Boys and girls ages 9 to 13 are eligible to join this activity.

Harold Levin Elected Prexy

Harold H. Levin has been elected President of the New York Metropolitan Section of the National Jewish Welfare Board. Mr. Levin is a member of the Board of Trustees of the Synagogue and also a member of Pulpit Committee.

from the desk of Executive Director

HAGADAH AND "KNADELS"

From all indications the Synagogue Auditorium on Thursday night, April 7 will "have everything". One of the most beautiful community *Seders* is due to take place with Rabbi Noveck, Cantor Putterman and the Choir assisting. Those who have attended *Seders* in the past in our Synagogue know that they are lots of fun as well as in keeping with the finest Jewish traditions.

As for *"Knadel"*, the food promises to be all that one anticipates on a Passover table in fine array and excellent quality.

Just to play safe, make your reservations no later than Friday, April 1.

ALL HONOR TO JACOB KLEIN

To a great number of persons their day starts off on a cheerful pleasant note owing to the thoughtfulness of Jacob Klein, President of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

The Jewish Theological Seminary with assistance of the Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Ezra Cohen, has selected Jacob Klein as the Guest of Honor at the Sunday, April 17 Brunch.

What an excellent opportunity for all of us to honor he, who has honored so many of us with the pleasant courtesies for which Jacob Klein has become a byword! Note: Morris Joffe will be Chairman of the Brunch.

FOR ONE DOLLAR YOU TOO CAN ENJOY IT

The March 1955 issue of Art News had a wonderful spread about the Park Avenue Synagogue's Milton Steinberg House with particular emphasis, of course, on the stained glass facade. It has some very fine black and white photos as well as a most excellent color reproduction. Subscription, $1 per issue.

Visitors and groups continue coming to our building apace. During the month of March, there have been in addition to individual visitors, three group lectures. The Sisterhood women heard a talk on the facade by Rabbi Noveck. A city-wide UJA women's group heard a talk by Mrs. Julia Katz, the wife of yours truly.

The group which had the most fun of all was a class of fourth grade youngsters from the Ramaz Day School who were positively perspicacious in the way they helped each other and Mrs. Katz in figuring out the stained glass designs.

Sidney R. Katz

Mazel Tov

TO Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Davidson on the Marriage of their son Edward to Miss Alexandria Weiss.

TO Hon. and Mrs. Sanford H. Cohen, on the Birth of a granddaughter and to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Cohen.

TO Dr. and Mrs. Morris Kaplan on the Birth of a granddaughter.

TO Mrs. Mathilda Heller on her 90th Birthday, March 23.

TO Mrs. Emma Luebeck on her 92nd Birthday on March 26.

Two Affairs Will be Held in New Synagogue Auditorium

On Saturday, April 2, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Weintraub whose son Joseph is being Bar Mitzvah in the Synagogue during the morning Services, are arranging for a large catered party in the new air-conditioned Auditorium.

The following evening, Sunday, April 3, a Synagogue wedding will take place. The bride is Vera Kurte, daughter of Frank Kurte. The groom is Murray Burton. The wedding party will also be catered in the Auditorium.

Emanuel Rosenthal Book To be Published in May

There is hardly a member of the Park Avenue Synagogue who has not been greeted by Emanuel Rosenthal, our genial Secretary, at one or more of the religious services held at the Synagogue.

But few probably are aware of his work outside of the Synagogue. A new book, "Elements of Machine Design", to be published in May by the McGraw-Hill Book Company was written by Emanuel Rosenthal, affectionately called "Manny", who has been teaching at the Brooklyn Technical High School for many years, in conjunction with George P. Bischof of the East New York Vocational High School.

This new treatise approaches the subject of machine design by the "problem approach". The authors have simplified the subject to meet the needs of students in technical institutes, technical high schools, and trade schools. It includes a survey of the metals used in industry as well as the problem of applied mechanics, power transmission, and design stresses for dynamic loadings.

This book will undoubtedly become a key authority as a textbook, because of the simplified approach to this complicated subject. Our congratulations to "Manny" on this unusual achievement.

THE SISTERHOOD

presents

an historical pageant

A CAVALCADE OF JEWISH WOMEN

on

Tuesday, April 26, 1955, at 8:30 P.M.

We wrote it . . . We costumed it . . . We're in it

Come see us?

Director and Script Writer . . . . . Grace Gilbert

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The Cast

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Cecily Falkenstein	Ray Yarnis
Geraldine Klein	Helen Strauss
Teddy Slote	Irma Heller
Rhoda Fieber	Stephanie Karmiol
Ruth Stein	Mrs. Maurice Ginsberg

In the Social Auditorium

Pulpit Committee Report On Rabbinical Candidates

Recommendation of several candidates for the position of Associate Rabbi of the Park Avenue Synagogue has been received recently from the Placement Commission of the Rabbinical Assembly and the United Synagogue, according to a report issued this week by Milton Weill, Chairman of the Synagogue's Pulpit Committee. In association with Rabbi Noveck, the Committee is energetically screening candidates and arranging for interviews in an effort to fill the position as soon as possible.

Other members of the Committee recently appointed by the Chairman of the Board to cooperate with Rabbi Noveck in the selection of an Associate Rabbi include: Judge Bernard Botein and Benjamin Sack, former Chairmen of the Board of Trustees, Harold H. Levin, active member of the Board for many years and Samuel Lemberg, Board member and communal leader.

"The Congregation can rest assured," Mr. Weill declared, "that this Committee, in cooperation with our Rabbi, will do its utmost to find the best available Associate Rabbi."

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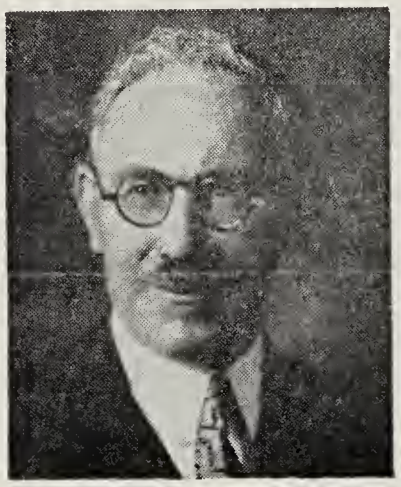
Drs. Bloch, Cahnman, Finkelstein Speak at Tercentenary Symposium

On Friday evening, April 1, the Committee on Adult Education of the Synagogue is sponsoring a special symposium in honor of the Tercentenary celebration. Speaking on the theme "The American Jew Faces the Fourth Century" will be Dr. Joshua Bloch, Chief of the Jewish Division of the New York Public Library and Dr. Werner J. Cahnman, a member of the Congregation and Executive Secretary of the Conference on Jewish Relations. Dr. Maurice Finkelstein, Professor of Law at St. John's



DR. BLOCH

DR. CAHNMAN

DR. FINKELSTEIN

University School of Law and also a member of the Congregation, will act as Moderator for the evening. The Symposium will take place in the Auditorium, immediately following the Services which begin at 8:15 P.M.

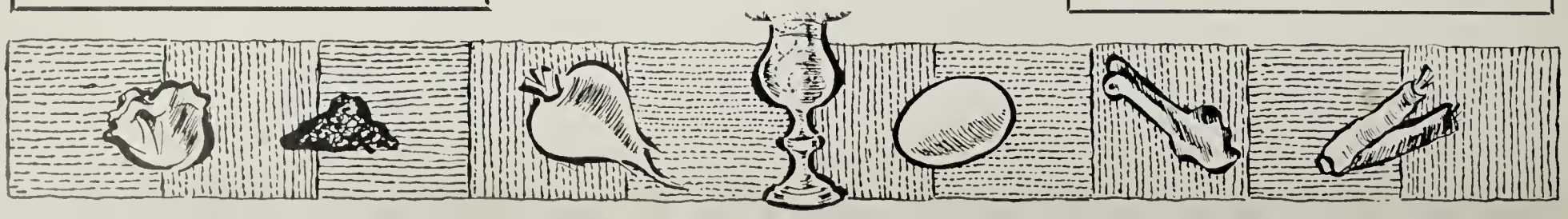
Dr. Bloch is an Ordained Rabbi, as well as a distinguished Librarian. He received his Ph.D. from New York University and an Honorary D.D. from the Hebrew Union College, and has served on the faculties of New York University and the Jewish Institute of Religion. Dr. Bloch is the author of many books and articles, among which are "On the Apocalyptic in Judaism" (1952) and "Of Making Many Books" (1953), and was awarded a citation by the Jewish Book Council of America in 1951. He is Editor of the Journal of Jewish Bibliography and contributor to innumerable publications and periodicals in the English, Hebrew and Yiddish press. A member of many leading Jewish communal organizations, he is also Vice-President of the Jewish Historical Society.

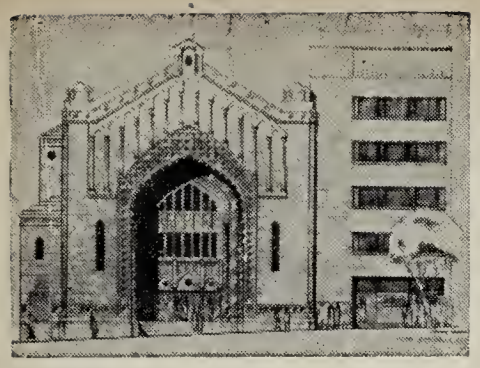
Dr. Cahnman, a noted authority on the sociological problems of the Jew, is Research Associate of the Commission on Material Claims Against Germany and Associate Editor of the Reconstructionist Magazine. He was formerly Senior Analyst on the Evaluation Staff of "Voice of America"; Research Associate at the National Jewish Welfare Board and Visiting Professor at Fisk and Atlanta Universities.

The moderator, Professor Finkelstein, is a graduate of Columbia College and Harvard Law School, and a frequent contributor to legal periodicals. He is a son of the late Rabbi Simon J. Finkelstein, who died in April, 1947, and a brother of Doctor Louis J. Finkelstein, Chancellor of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America. He is Vice-President of the Conference on Jewish Relations and a Member of the Board of Governors of The Menninger Foundation, Topeka, Kansas.

Jacob Klein To Be Honored

Reservations should be made now for the Jewish Seminary Brunch to be held Sunday, April 17. Jacob Klein, President of the Synagogue will be the guest of honor. Reservations may be made by calling Morris Joffe, Chairman of the affair or the Synagogue EN 9-2600. The Brunch will be held in the new Auditorium.





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Rabbi to Discuss Questions on Judaism In Sermon, April 15

On Friday evening, April 15, following up on the Passover theme, Rabbi Noveck will discuss the questions that Jews have asked throughout the ages, during the Talmudic period and Middle Ages, with particular reference to those that have caused controversy in the Jewish community.

He will also deal with the questions that modern Jews are asking, with emphasis on those that have been put to him most frequently during the past six years since he has been at the Park Avenue Synagogue. These will include, "What Is Conservative Judaism?" "The meaning of the Kaddish," "How shall we cope with our children's doubts?" "How much do we owe our parents?" "The significance of the Mogen David," "Are Jews in favor of proselytes?" "Must Jewish children be named after deceased relatives?" and "Why do Jews wear hats in Synagogue?"

Rabbi Noveck urges the members of the Synagogue to send to him any questions they would like answered. He will be happy to include them in his sermon on April 15.

Congregation to Honor Jacob Klein At Seminary Brunch Sun., April 17

The Park Avenue Synagogue Friends of The Jewish Theological Seminary of America will honor Jacob Klein, President of the Congregation, at a Brunch to be held April 17, at 10:30 A.M., in the Auditorium of Milton Steinberg House.

According to Morris Joffe, committee chairman, the Brunch will be the first function officially held in the Milton Steinberg House. At the affair, Dr. Harry Halpern, President of the Rabbinical Assembly of America, will deliver the main address.

JACOB KLEIN

Jacob Klein is now serving his fourth term as President of the Congregation. He has a long record of service to the Seminary and to the United Synagogue of America.

The Park Avenue Synagogue Friends of the Seminary help to support the program of this institution including the training of students for the rabbinate, cantorate, and the field of Jewish education. The Jewish Theological Seminary of America is nationally known for its award-winning radio program, The Eternal Light, its series on N.B.C.-TV's "Frontiers of Faith", its internationally noted Library, the largest of its kind in the world and for the Institute for Religious and Social Studies, a graduate school for Catholic, Jewish and Protestant leaders.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday Evening, April 15 ..... 8:15 P.M.
Rabbi Noveck will speak on "Questions Jews Ask"

Saturday Morning, April 16 ..... 9:45 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will deliver the sermon

Friday Evening, April 22 ..... 8:15 P.M.
Young Marrieds Sabbath
Symposium: "Where is the American Jew After 300 Years?"

Saturday Morning, April 23 ..... 9:45 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Stephen Beatus
Rabbi Noveck will deliver the sermon

Young Married Group To Sponsor Services

In departing from the practice of having a guest speaker at its Friday evening service, the Young Married group will sponsor what is expected to be an interesting and provocative evening on Friday evening, April 22, when members of that group will lead a symposium on the topic "Where is the American Jew After 300 Years?"

The theme of the evening's panel aligns itself with the general theme of the Tercentenary celebration which underlay the activities of the Group dur-

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Comments on the Jewish Publication Society's 1955 Book List

(The following article appeared in the Winter Issue of "The Torch" a magazine published by the National Federation of Men's Clubs.)

The Jewish Publication Society's list for 1955 offers eight titles, which will appear in ten volumes, of diversified Jewish reading matter. Continuing with the publication of books bearing on American Jewish life in connection with the Tercentenary, the Society has in process two volumes of excerpts on very interesting American Jews of the 18th and 19th centuries (*Memoirs of American Jews*, by Jacob R. Marcus).

Another title consisting of two volumes will be a translation of a travelogue in the United States, exactly a hundred years ago (*Three Years in America*, by Benjamin II). A Rumanian Jew by the name of Joseph ben Israel, gave himself the nickname Benjamin II (Benjamin I lived in Tudela in the 12th century and was also a traveler), and set off on a journey to the United States at the beginning of the 1860's.

Most interesting of all from the point of view of Americana for Jews connected with synagogues is a third work which deals with the architecture of the American synagogue (*The American Synagogue*), by Rachel Wischnitzer, architect by training and achaeologist and art critic by choice, has compiled this very important discussion of what our synagogues have looked like. She at least poses the question whether there is a synagogal architectural style.

Of general works in the Jewish field, the current list begins with a continuation by Professor A. J. Heschel's important and profound work *A Philosophy of Judaism*. Another title of general interest is an imaginative, dramatic portrayal of Jewish experience under the Nazis. Only a poet can get to the heart of that tragedy and Soma Morgenstern has dealt with the theme in a truly remarkable fashion. This is fiction, drama and apocalypse combined.

The volume on *Jewish Ceremonial Art*, prepared by Stephen S. Kayser and Guido Schoenberger of The Jewish Museum of the Jewish Theological Seminary, is a thing of beauty which every Jewish home ought to have.

Finally, the list contains a juvenile, *Stories of King Solomon*, by Lillian S. Freehof, paralleling the book *Stories of King David*, which the Jewish Publication Society published two years ago.

Of course there is always the *American Jewish Year Book*, the best Jewish reference book available.

Dr. Albert Salomon's Book Dedicated to Rabbi Steinberg

Dr. Albert Salomon has written a new book "The Tyranny of Progress" which is dedicated to the memory of Rabbi Steinberg.

The dedication to Rabbi Steinberg is in Latin inscribed "To the spirit of the most illustrious noble and loving man, Rabbi Milton Steinberg, a token of lasting admiration, dedication and love."

Dr. Salomon is a member of the congregation and the Adult Education Committee of the Synagogue. His book has been published by the Noonday Press.

Over 200 Attend Passover Seder

Two hundred and twenty five members and friends attended the fourth Annual *Seder* held at the Park Avenue Synagogue on Thursday evening, April 7, the second evening of Passover, in the newly decorated Auditorium.

Mrs. Helen Wimpfheimer, Chairman of the affair regrets that, at the last moment, some members who called for reservations had to be refused, but the caterers were not prepared for the late deluge of reservations.

A true family *seder* filled with warm spirit and friendship was conducted in the traditional manner by Rabbi Noveck, Cantor Putterman, Cantor Friedman assisted by the choir.

The tables were decorated with original centerpieces of colorful flowers and Israeli blue candles. The committee also arranged to have *matzoh* covers and wine decanters at each table. Hand painted place cards of a *kiddush* cup were provided by Mrs. Fanny Reiff.

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AJC to Pay Tribute To American Army

This April marks the tenth anniversary of one of the most poignant experiences in Jewish history—the liberation of the Nazi concentration camps by the American and allied armies and our reunion with those of our fellow-Jews who survived the Hitler extermination.

In New York City, this anniversary will be marked at a public meeting on the night of April 19, at Town Hall, 123 West 43rd Street, sponsored by the American Jewish Congress. On that occasion, we shall pay our tribute to the American Army which played a major role in the liberation, to our Government for its role in rehabilitating the survivors, to the State of Israel, which absorbed most of the displaced persons, and to the agencies which brought them relief and comfort. The meeting will be addressed by distinguished Jewish spokesmen, leaders of the former DP's and representatives of the American Army.

This is Our Life

In the charter of The Jewish Theological Seminary of America, passed in 1902 by the Governor, the Senate and Assembly of New York, this phrase appears:

"For the perpetuation of the tenets of the Jewish religion; the cultivation of Hebrew Literature; the pursuit of biblical and archaeological research; the advancement of Jewish scholarship; the establishment of a library, and for the education and training of rabbis."

Now, more than fifty years later, when the largest Jewish settlement in all history resides in America, the Seminary, the world center of Conservative Judaism, has become an even more imposing citadel of scholarship and learning than, perhaps, its founders ever dreamed. Yet the basic aim of the Seminary, from its founding in 1887 and its incorporation in 1902, remains the same. Each department of the Seminary, every activity which is part of its program is directed toward the advancement of Torah which is "our very life and the length of our days."

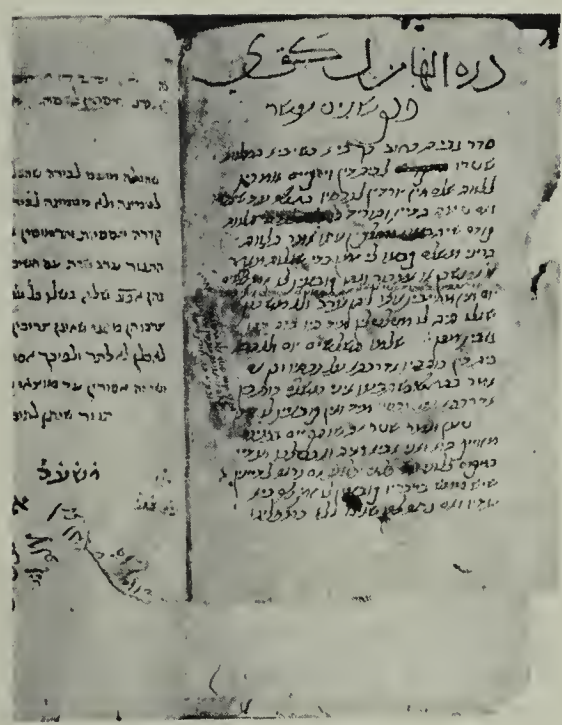
Study is a fundamental part of Judaism. As children learn good moral habits one by one, rather than all at once, the tenets of Torah can be learned only if they are studied minutely, their myriad and basic truths constantly interpreted and illuminated by the great rabbis and scholars who have gone before.

The Seminary's Rabbinical School, its Teachers Institute, its Colleges of Jewish Studies and Jewish Music, its Cantors Institute, Seminary School and University of Judaism in Los Angeles: all these have programs of formal study which prepare young people for the rabbinate, the cantorate, for teaching and for wise community leadership.

The several research programs at the Seminary, the books regularly published by its scholars, are all part of a single effort to understand more of the vitality and meaning of the Jewish tradition and the light shed by Judaism on the problems of our day.

The "Eternal Light" and "Frontiers of Faith", the Seminary's radio and television programs on NBC, with their dramatic presentations of great moments in Jewish history, ancient and modern, bring to millions of Americans of all faiths an appreciation of Judaism's ethical and moral principles applicable to modern life. They also help the individual Jew to orient himself to his tradition.

The Jewish Theological Seminary of America



Autograph of Maimonides, whose 750th birthday falls this year. (From the Seminary Library.)

Brass menorah, made in Poland, c. 1800. (From the Seminary Jewish Museum.)

Maimonides spoke a great truth when he said: "When one does not study, he not only adds nothing new to his knowledge, he even forgets what he previously knew." As the heart of Conservative Judaism, the Seminary, with an increasing aggregation of learned scholars, great teachers and dedicated laymen and women, strives to convey to each person, in every walk of life, the truth of Torah. Through all available channels, it seeks to reveal to every man his own need to devote part of his day to Jewish thought, a study, and deep communion with his God. It is essential to his individual welfare and happiness; it is necessary to his honorable and constructive relationships with his fellowmen.

Only thus, Judaism teaches, can the wisdom, faith and power of the ancient heritage of Israel continue to enrich and strengthen the modern heritage of America.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

On behalf of our youth group, let us remind you to save April 23 for the gala semi-formal benefit dance.

This year the theme is centered on "Aid To The Needy In Israel." All proceeds are going to the United Jewish Appeal.

During the past two months we have all worked together organizing the different committees to head our dance. We wish to express our thanks to Judith Kleeblat who has helped us greatly. Also to Carol Phillips and Robert Cogan, Publicity chairmen; David Hoexter and Margie Hyman, Entertainment chairmen; Caryll Rubin, Raffle and Door-prize chairman; Helene Harlem, Decoration chairman; Stephan Helpern, Door chairman and especially Doris Wimpfheimer our youth group president. Our sincerest thanks go to Hy Sankel our leader. Without his unending guidance and help we would have never been able to organize our dance. Thanks Hy, from all of us.

In closing we would like to say, "Don't pass up this opportunity to help our fellow Jews" and don't pass up this opportunity of having a wonderful time which promises to be a highlight of your teenage years.

Thanks once again to all the members of our youth group and all of those who have given their cooperation and service. Remember 8:30 P.M. April 23, 1955.

Hoping to see you all!
Alice Heyman and Steve Levy
Chairmen of Benefit Dance 1955.

New Chairman of Ushers Enlarges Ushering Committee

Dr. Sol Winnick, the newly appointed Chairman of the Synagogue Committee on Ushering, indicated that the initial response of persons to ushering was very much to his liking.

Dr. Winnick however, indicated that he was far from satisfied. He was interested in building up a large core of ushers.

Ushering at the Park Avenue Synagogue has been a signal honor for many years according to Ezra Cohen, Chairman of the Board.

Men's Club Sabbath will be held on Friday evening, April 29. The guest speaker will be Reuven Dafni, Consul of Israel in New York. The members of the Men's Club who will participate in conducting the Sabbath Services are: Dr. Morris Bien,, Harry A. Dubin, Dr. Herbert M. Felner, Monroe H. Heyward, Franklin M. Simet, and Samuel S. Wick.

Young Marrieds

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ing the past year. In the belief that the Synagogue membership would enjoy receiving the impression of members of the Young Married group on their beliefs on this subject, Sidney J. Silberman, chairman of the evening's activities, has announced that the specific topics to be discussed under the abovementioned general heading will include "Is the Young American Jew Sufficiently Represented in the American Jewish Community" and "Is the American Jewish Community Sufficiently Represented in the American Community." A general forum on the topics discussed will follow the symposium.

The symposium will take place in the Auditorium of the Synagogue immediately after the conclusion of the regular Friday evening service. Members of the Group will assist in the actual service itself with readings both in Hebrew and in English.

The Young Married group hopes that a large number of members of the Synagogue family will attend its service and partake of the opportunity to hear some of the opinions of members of the Group.

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These lent an air of festivity to the affair.

Susan Herbert, granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Deutsch, the child who found the *afekoman*, was asked her wish. She said she would like trees planted in Israel. Several generous families complied with her request and the *afekoman* was redeemed.

SCHOOL NEWS

School Re-Opens

The Passover Recess of the Religious School will end on Sunday morning, April 17 at 9:45 A.M. when the Primary Department holds its regular sessions.

The Hebrew Department will re-open on Monday afternoon, April 18 at 3:30 P.M.

Religious School Awards

The Board of Education of the Metropolitan Council of United Synagogue has recently announced a change in the rules governing the Annual Awards Project and the *Keter Torah*. These awards are given to honor students in religious schools throughout the metropolitan area and culminate in the highest honor to graduating students, the *Keter Torah* Award.

The students in our school have participated in the awards program since its inception in 1948. Last year many of our students received honor awards and two members of the graduating class, Cecily Falkenstein and Marilyn Schneider, were accepted in the *Keter Torah* Society. This year the names of our award winners will be submitted in May so that students may be honored at a special assembly.

"Talks With Parents"

In a pamphlet recently published by the United Synagogue Commission on Jewish Education, Dr. Azriel Eisenberg, director of the J.E.C., tells succintly what the Hebrew School is trying to achieve, describes the difficulties under which it operates, and indicates the relationship between school, parent and child. Parents will find it interesting and profitable reading.

Copies of the pamphlet may be secured in the School Office.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Friedman to be Honored by Sisterhood at UJA Tea

The Sisterhood of the Park Avenue Synagogue, of which Betty Friedman is Honorary President, will sponsor a tea in behalf of the United Jewish Appeal, on Wednesday, April 27, at the home of Mrs. Edward Peiper, 525 Park Avenue, in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Friedman on the occasion of their 50th wedding Anniversary.

From his early youth, Jacob Friedman was a singular example of devotion to people, ideals, and an intelligent belief in the Almighty. There are many parallels in the initial heartbreaking events that led to the organization of UJA and the staggering amount of humanitarian, self-sacrificing work that has been poured into this effort from its inception to the present time, and the career of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Friedman.

MR. & MRS. JACOB FRIEDMAN

Throughout the years, Uncle Jake and Aunt Betty, as they are affectionately referred to, have had a sincere feeling for human beings. That was manifested significantly in the outstretched hand of friendship which never failed to give financial aid to artists in the musical world. It would require volumes to adequately catalog the practical assistance of Jacob Friedman in the development of musical culture in New York City. It was he, who introduced the concerts at the Lewisohn Stadium prior to the present era of Stadium Concerts. The creation of a musical atmosphere in his home and the warmth with which struggling musicians were made welcome contributed greatly to the fame and success which these artists later achieved. In all this, Betty played a vital role.

The qualities of gentleness, his determination to follow a course once adopted, were towers of strength during Uncle Jacob's Presidency of the Park Avenue Synagogue. But for his initiative and vision, this Synagogue might never have had Milton Steinberg. Although serious illness in 1937 removed Jacob Friedman from active participation in the affairs of the Synagogue, both he and Betty continued their keen interest in every event in the life of our institution.

At a testimonial dinner tendered to Mr. Friedman in 1937, after serving as president of our Synagogue for 20 years, our late beloved Rabbi Milton Steinberg said of Uncle Jacob:

"We thank you for the beauty which you have loved and which you have enhanced, for the faith which you have had in us as human beings, for the leadership that you have given our religious life, and for the example you have set of sweetness, he or, and kindness in religion and in all the days of your life. Our tribute this evening is in the last analysis an expression of gratitude."

Mrs. Benjamin Sack, UJA chairman of the Women's Division of the Park Avenue Synagogue, in welcoming the participation of all the members of the Synagogue in this worthy tribute, said:

"My Committee is unanimous in expressing the feeling that in honoring Jake and Betty Friedman on their Golden Anniversary, we have a golden opportunity to aid UJA, and in this fashion continue the pattern of helping others, a tradition in the lives of this lovable pair."

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REMEMBER THE DATE!

Tuesday evening, April 26
at 8:15 p.m.

Sisterhood's presentation of an original historical pageant

"CAVALCADE OF JEWISH WOMEN"

in the Social Auditorium

The Cast: Hattie Grossman, Leoni Strauss, Cecily Falkenstein, Geraldine Klein, Teddy Slote, Rhoda Fieber, Ruth Stein, Ethel Altschul, Marie Meistrich, Ray Yarnis, Helen Strauss, Irma Heller, Stephanie Karmiol and Mrs. Maurice Ginsberg.

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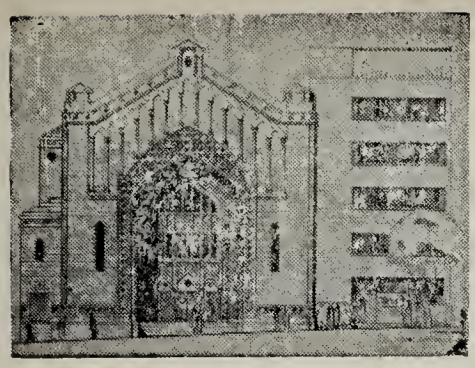
SAMUEL ROTH
brother of Henry Roth

SAMUEL STARKMAN
brother of Harold R. Starkman



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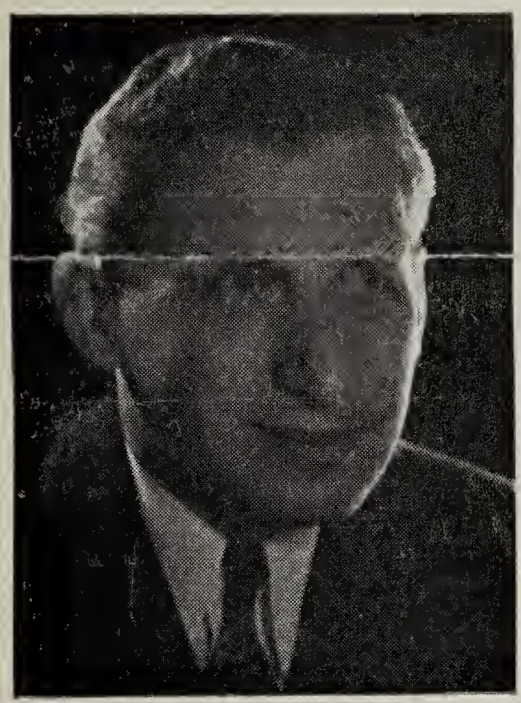
Board Honors Judge Cohen, Joseph Katz, Arthur Ochs

The Board of Trustees, at its meeting held on April 21, paid tribute to Judge Sanford H. Cohen, Joseph Howard Katz and Arthur Ochs, former officers of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

Judge Cohen, a member of the Synagogue for more than 22 years, has served it in various capacities, as a member of the Membership Committee, the Law Committee, 1st Vice-President, and finally becoming Chairman of the Board of Trustees in 1953, which office he held until late in 1954, when he resigned to accept appointment by Governor Dewey as a Justice of the City Court.



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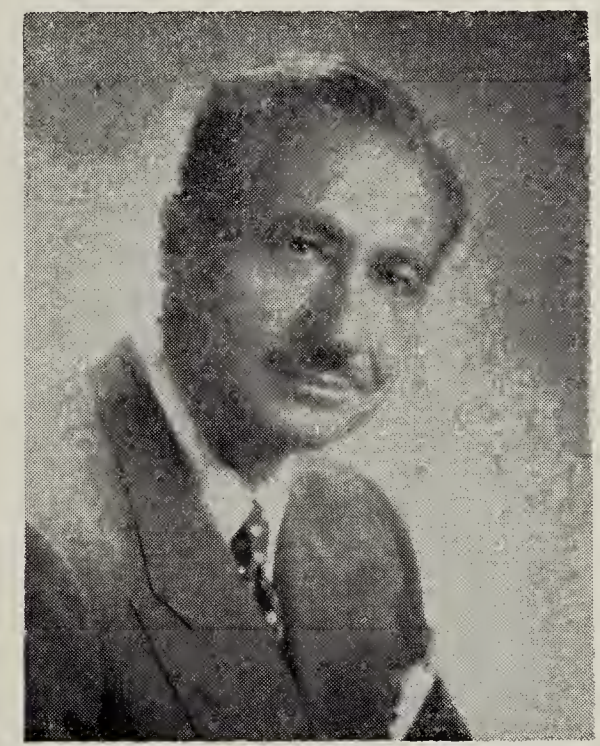
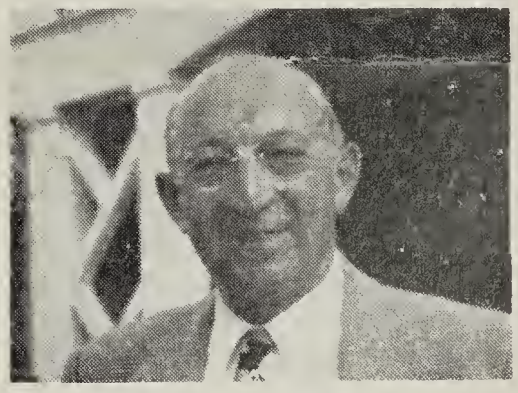


JOSEPH HOWARD KATZ

It was during the administration of Judge Cohen, that the construction of the Milton Steinberg House was started and finally became a reality. His devotion to this project and his indefatigable efforts in its behalf were a source of inspiration to those who labored to erect this memorial to our late beloved Rabbi Milton Steinberg, of blessed memory.



ARTHUR OCHS

In referring to Judge Cohen's services, Ezra Cohen, the Chairman of the Board, said:

"He has been the driving force in raising funds, and the inspiration that culminated in the final completion of

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Rabbi Noveck to Speak May 6

On Friday evening, May 6, at 8:15 P.M., Rabbi Noveck and Cantor Putterman will officiate at services. Following the service, Rabbi Noveck will deliver the sermon. An *Oneg Shabbat* will be held in the Auditorium.

Reuven Dafni, Israel Consul to Speak At Men's Club Sabbath, April 29

Men's Club Sabbath this year will be held on Friday evening, April 29. In commemoration of the Seventh Anniversary of the establishment of the State of Israel, which occurs on that Sabbath, Mr. Reuven Dafni, Consul of Israel in New York, has been invited to be the guest speaker.

The Sabbath Eve Service begins promptly at 8:15 P.M. and everyone is urged to be in his seat by that time. The members of the Men's Club who will participate in the services are: Dr. Morris Bien, Harry A. Dubin, Dr. Herbert M. Feiner, Monroe H. Heyward, Franklin M. Simet and Samuel S. Wick. Cantor David J. Putterman and the Synagogue Choir will chant music written in the modern Israeli motif.

Mr. Dafni, who will speak from the pulpit, has chosen as his topic, "The Re-

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Lost and Found Column

Several articles, which have been found in the Synagogue and in the Milton Steinberg House, have been turned in to the office. If any person has lost any article on the Synagogue premises, will he please inquire at the office.

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message from the President

I want to thank the membership body for the wonderful turnout last Sunday, April 17, at the Brunch, in which I was the Guest of Honor, that was given for the benefit of the Seminary. It was most heartening to see so many of you present, as well as to receive so many generous responses.

I missed many of you, and you can have your absence excused by sending me a contribution for the benefit of the Seminary. Anything you do will be appreciated by the Seminary as well as by myself.

Cordially,
JACOB KLEIN
President

Ex Treasurer is Active

When Arthur Ochs was permitted to step down from the office of Treasurer of the Park Avenue Synagogue, a position he held for more than a decade, his associates felt that he had earned a much needed rest from his arduous labors.

However, Artie still continues to come to the Synagogue office almost daily to give his help and advice whenever necessary. Perhaps, no one in the Synagogue has a greater knowledge of its affairs than Arthur Ochs. That explains the happy greeting that meets him whenever he comes into the office.

Don't break the habit, Artie, you are a valuable asset to the Synagogue.

Grandpa's Brunch

By JUDY GOLDSTONE
(*Age 8 years*)

We come in and see Hilda, Grandma, Grandpa. I discuss with daddy why we wear hats in Synagogue. Answer: It's a custom. Everyone talks. We meet each other. We rise. Blessing—we say it in Hebrew and in English. We drink juice, we eat. Now we sing songs in Hebrew.

Mr. Joffe introduces Rabbi Halpern, who makes an amusing speech. He says he is glad to see us because he is always glad to see people who get up early on Sunday morning. Then he says very nice things about Grandpa. He says that the Jewish religion is different from any other one because the Jew is not a spectator but participates in the actual Service.

If a Jew is reading the Bible and the doorbell rings, he must close the Bible before answering the door. Also, if he drops a book of learning he must kiss the book when he picks it up because the book has been bruised. When a book is too old to use, it must be buried in a cemetary. He talks mostly about education through books. He explains the work of the Seminary. Made an appeal for funds.

Richard and I present Grandpa with a gift of luggage, also a scroll presented by Milton Weill. Grandpa thanked everyone for coming and accepted the gifts. Then he devoted himself to stressing the importance of supporting the Seminary.

"Frontiers of Faith" Series To Interpret Bible Stories

The Seminary TV series "Frontiers of Faith," on Channel 4 from 2:00 to 2:30 P.M. Eastern Daylight Saving Time, will present on Sunday, May 1, "The Bible Detective of the Holy Land" by Marc Siegal. The true story of how Dr. Nelson Glueck used the Bible as a source for the discovery of King Solomon's copper mines.

On Sunday, May 8, the series continues with "The Second Commandment" by James Yaffe. A dramatic reading which explains in dramatic, amusing, and simple-everyday language the meaning of one of the most frequently misunderstood passages in the Bible.

Special Honors

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the Milton Steinberg House."

In addition to his many activities on behalf of the Synagogue, Judge Cohen has been identified with numerous communal enterprises, including the 92nd Street YMHA, where he has served as a member of the Board of Directors for the past 30 years. Ezra Cohen, on behalf of the Board, presented him with a gold grandfather's locket.

Joseph Howard Katz, also a member of the Board of Trustees, served as Vice-Charman of the Board from 1953 until he became Acting Chairman, at the time of the resignation of Judge Cohen. There is hardly a Committee of the Synagogue, on which he has not served, including the Ritual Committee, the Membership Committee, the Building and Dedication Committee, to all of which he gave his time, devotion and leadership.

Outstanding in his service to the Synagogue, was his successful achievement in acquiring the adjoining property upon which the Milton Steinberg House now stands. His unusual talents and knowledge of the legal complications involved in the acquisition of this property made it possible for the Synagogue to secure a valid title to this parcel, overcoming what seemed to many to be an insurmountable task.

Joseph Katz served as president of the Men's Club from 1949 to 1953 and brought to that organization a dynamic leadership that has made the Men's Club an outstanding arm of the Synagogue and a leader in the Federation of Men's Clubs. As Ezra Cohen remarked, in presenting him with some luggage: "Joe Katz was the motivating spirit in the Men's Club."

Despite his efforts in Synagogue affairs, he has also found time to serve on many other civic, communal, and philanthropic boards, including the Jewish Education Committee, Camp Ramah, and the B'nai B'rith.

Arthur Ochs, also a member of the Board of Trustees, served as Associate Treasurer and then as Treasurer of the Synagogue since 1941. When he asked to be relieved of his duties at the last election, it was with great reluc-

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Young Married Group Holds Meeting May 3

The next meeting of the Young Married Group, Tuesday evening, May 3, will be a business meeting.

On April 22, the Young Married Group conducted its annual Sabbath Evening Service, featuring a symposium in the vestry following the services. In charge of presenting the theme: "Where is the American Jew After 300 Years?" were Asa Sokolow and Fred Krones.

Mr. Sokolow's topic was "Is the Young American Jew Sufficiently Represented in the American Jewish Community." Is the American Jewish Community Sufficiently Represented in the American Community" was discussed by Mr. Krones. A general forum on the topics discussed followed the symposium.

Participating in the Friday evening service were: Sam Fredman, Mrs. Dudley Greenstein, Louis Heller, Dr. Al Mamelok, Bill Riemer, Mrs. Marvin Robinson and Sidney Silberman.

Special Honors

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tance, that the Board of Trustees permitted him to go. However, his interest in the welfare of the Synagogue, not only brings him to the office almost every day, but there is hardly a Sabbath morning Service that he does not attend.

His identity with Park Avenue Synagogue goes back so many years, that the name of Arthur Ochs is almost symbolical of the growth of our Synagogue for almost a quarter of a century. He was the conservative balancing influence when financial matters were concerned. During the precarious years, it was most fortunate that the fiscal affairs of the Synagogue were under his supervision. Finances and the Finance Committee were the main forte of Arthur Ochs. In paying tribute to him, Ezra Cohen, Chairman of the Board, truthfully said, "Arthur Ochs performed his duties with unusual skill and rare ability." He, too, was presented with a gold grandfather's locket as an expresson of respect and gratitude from the Board.

Following the business meeting, the members of the Board remained to enjoy some refreshments and participate in an enjoyable spirit of friendship.

Parents to Repeat 'Sex Education' Series By Noted Pediatrician

The Parents Association, in conjunction with the Religious School, will again this year sponsor five lectures on "Sex Education," to be given by Dr. Milton I. Levine, well known pediatrician and associate attending pediatrician of the New York Hospital, Cornell Medical Center.

This course is being repeated because of the enthusiastic demands of the parents whose children attended the lectures last year.

On May 4, at five P.M., Dr. Levine will deliver the first lecture of this series, which will be open to boys and girls of the Religious School in the 12-14 age group. Parents of youngsters are invited to attend this session and the two following lectures, the dates of which will be announced later.

Rabbi Noveck wishes to extend a cordial invitation to all members of the Synagogue to visit his new study (on the fourth floor in the Milton Steinberg House) which has been so beautifully and tastefully furnished by the Building Committee of the Synagogue.

The Rabbi also wants the members of the Synagogue to know that he is available for appointments and consultations in his study on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoons from 2:30 to 6:30 P.M. Since Rabbi Noveck is sometimes called away, it is suggested that members call his secretary, Mrs. Trachtenberg, at EN 9-2600, for an appointment.

SCHOOL NEWS

Many Thanks

Through the years, the Principal, the Faculty and the students have used this column to thank the many parents and friends of the school who have been kind and helpful.

Each year we have written our personal letter of appreciation of the kindness of Bernard Prensky, grandfather of two of our students, Linda and Willa Grauer. This year we wish to publicly express our gratitude to Mr. Prensky for the many years that he supplied our Model *Seders* with *matzohs* and for the *gefilte* fish that we enjoy at our Junior Congregation *Kiddush* on Saturdays throughout the year.

Fulbright Scholar

Judith Lewittes, teacher in the Primary Department of the Religious School, has been awarded a Fulbright Scholarship to study in France during the year 1955-1956.

Miss Lewittes will do research on the subject of "The French Approach to the Study of American History and its Effects on Franco-American Relations."

Mazel Tov

TO Mrs. Bertha Davidson on her 89th Birthday, April 29.

TO Mrs. Frieda Davidson on her 85th Birthday, April 29.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Usdan on the Birth of a child and to the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Lemberg.

TO Hon. and Mrs. Sanford H. Cohen on the Birth of a grandson, David Louis, and to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Cohen.

Yiskor Elohim

EMMA OPPENHEIMER

Men's Sabbath

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cent Violent Eruptions in Gaza," giving an analysis of the current explosive situation in Israel.

Following the services, an Oneg Shabbat devoted solely to sociability will be held in the Auditorium, which will be festively decorated to celebrate the occasion. Wines, sweets and other products imported from Israel will be served and a photography exhibit, "Faces and Places" will be on display.

Mr. Reuven Dafni, who was born in Yugoslavia in 1913, settled in Palestine in 1935. During World War II, he volunteered for service with the British Army and in 1943 was in charge of a group of Jewish paratroopers who dropped behind enemy lines in Yugoslavia with the task of saving Allied pilots and prisoners of war, as well as assisting Jewish refugees from Hitlerism.

In 1948 Mr. Dafni was appointed as first Consul of Israel in Los Angeles; and returned to Israel in 1951 to become Press Officer and Spokesman of the Ministry for Foreign Affairs, and the representative on the Mixed Israel-Arab Armistice Commission.

It was in July 1953 that he received the posts of Consul in New York and Director of the Israel Office of Information.

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Seminary Brunch for Jacob Klein, Prexy

More than a hundred persons attended the Brunch which was held Sunday, April 17, in the Park Avenue Synagogue Auditorium in honor of Jacob Klein, president of the Synagogue.

The Brunch was held on behalf of the Jewish Theological Seminary and over $20,000. was raised in contributions for the work of the Seminary. Morris Joffe, chairman of the Committee expressed his gratitude to those who were present, as well as the many who had sent messages, for their generous support of the Seminary. Rabbi Simon Noveck and Cantor David Putterman participated in the ceremonies.

Rabbi Harry Halpern. president of the Rabbinical Assembly, was the main speaker. He paid tribute to the dedicated and devoted service rendered by Jacob Klein to the Park Avenue Synagogue and to the members of the Congregation. In discussing the work of the Seminary, Rabbi Halpern pointed out that the measure of a people's civilization can be determined by the priority it gives to education. In this respect, the Jewish people occupy an outstanding position, for they have always regarded the study of *Torah* as preeminent, and the Jewish Theological Seminary represents a great institution in Jewish learning.

Milton Weill, a former president of Federation, and a member of the Board of Trustees of the Park Avenue Synagogue, also spoke of the spiritual leadership that the guest of honor had given to the Synagogue as its president. He presented a scroll to Jacob Klein. expressing the appreciation of the members and officers of the Synagogue for his untiring efforts and zeal, and for the warmth and personal relationship that he had brought to the office of the presidency.

A fine piece of luggage was presented to Jacob Klein by Judith and Richard Goldstone, his grandchildren.

In his usual humorous and friendly manner which has endeared him to the hearts of all, Jacob expressed his humble thanks and appreciation for having been privileged to carry on his work. He also acknowledged the great help that he had received from his wife, Gertrude, for her understanding and devotion in having enabled him to give so much of his time to the needs of the Congregation and to his other communal activities.

Sisterhood to Hold Annual Birthday Fete

Sisterhood's final meeting of the year will be held on Tuesday, May 17. This culmination of the year's activities will be a Birthday party and installation of officers.

Rabbi Simon Noveck will install the officers. There will be a musical interlude by Stella Halpern, a prominent pianist, who has played in a number of concerts and on radio.

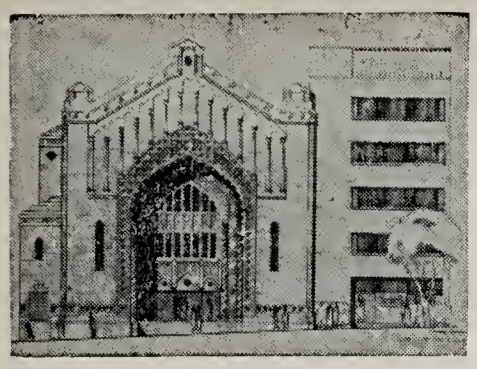
SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday Evening, April 29 ..... 8:15 P.M.
MEN'S CLUB SABBATH
Reuven Dafni, Israel Consul in New York, will speak
Rabbi Noveck and Cantor Putterman will Officiate
Assisted by members of the Men's Club

Saturday Morning, April 30 ..... 9:45 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach

Friday Evening, May 6 ..... 8:15 P.M.
Rabbi Noveck will speak

Saturday Morning, May 7 ..... 9:45 A.M.
Bas Mitzvah of Joan Rubinstein
Rabbi Noveck will preach



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Men's Club to Hold May Dinner Meeting

The closing function of the Men's Club is the Annual Meeting and Dinner which takes place on Tuesday evening, May 17. As the Synagogue Auditorium is available this year, a catered kosher dinner will be served there.

At 6:00 P.M. the festivities will start with cocktails and hot hors d'oeuvres. The dinner is scheduled to be served an hour later, and the meeting will be called to order at approximately 8:30 P.M. At that time the Annual Report of the President will be rendered and the Election and Installation of the Officers and new members of the Board of Directors will take place. In addition, entertainment will be provided during the evening.

It is hoped that all members of the Club will be present. The cost of the dinner is only $4.75 per man and the choice for the entree is between a half of a broiled chicken and brisket of beef pot roast. Those who have not yet made reservations should mail checks, at once, to Chairman Jacob W. Boorstein (indicating preference of entree) at 63-61 99th Street, Rego Park 74, N. Y.

Synagogue to Give UJA Dinner Honoring Ten Judges, May 18

The annual Park Avenue Synagogue dinner for the United Jewish Appeal will be held on Wednesday, May 18, 6:30 P.M., at the Milton Steinberg House, 50 East 87th Street, New York City, it has been announced by Dr. Harold A. Osserman, campaign chairman.

The gathering will also pay tribute to the distinguished judges, who are members of the Synagogue, for their outstanding leadership in religious, philanthropic and communal endeavors. The men to be honored are Bernard Botein, Sanford H. Cohen, Albert Cohn, Abraham N. Geller, Samuel M. Gold, Herman Hoffman, Irving R. Kaufman, Benjamin Marvin, Simon Rifkind and Maxwell Shapiro.

The co-chairmen of the drive are Benjamin A. Hartstein and Gustave Yuder. Serving as honorary chairmen are Ezra Cohen and Jacob Klein.

The members of the committee are: Dr. Edward T. Adelson, A. Harry Altmark, Jacob W. Boorstein, Lawrence J. Beecher, Mrs. Sarah B. Burnstein, Bernard Bienstock, Mrs. David M. Bilsky, Isidore M. Cohen, Arthur A. Drachsler, Joseph D. Druss, Maurice Ginsburg, L. Chester Glaser, Oscar Glassman, Saul Godwin, Dr. Robert Gottsegen and Solomon E. Green.

Also Dudley Greenstein, Bessie Greenwald, Benjamin Gutman, Louis I. Heller, Milton Heller, Mrs. Herman Helpern, Victor J. Herwitz, Emanuel Hochman, Ethel S. Holstein, Dr. Luis-Lotte Horn, Saul Horowitz, Julian Jacobs, Morris Joffe, Morris Kaplan, Mrs. William Karmiol, Joseph Howard Katz, Howard A. Kieval, Henry Koch, Col. Melvin L. Krulewitch, Joseph Kurte, Joseph Kurzon, Samuel Lemberg, Harold H. Levin, Dr. David M. Lieberman, Irving D. Lipkowitz, Joseph I. Lubin and Peter Miller.

Serving also, Dr. Harry Neivert, Rabbi Simon Noveck, Arthur Ochs, Israel

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Sisterhood Nominates New Officers for '55

On Tuesday, April 26, at their annual night meeting, to which the men were invited, Sisterhood presented "A Cavalcade of Jewish Women," an original historical pageant written and produced by Grace Gilbert.

Assisting Mrs. Gilbert were Cantor Putterman, musical director; Marie Meistreich, who designed and executed the costumes; Anna Manus Jacobi, scenery and program design; Grete Greenwald, dramatic coach.

The pageant was played to a capacity audience and met with a fine reception.

On Tuesday, May 17, Sisterhood will hold their final meeting of the year.

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Friday Evening, May 13 .....8:15 P.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach

Saturday Morning, May 14 .....9:30 A.M.
RELIGIOUS SCHOOL ANNUAL MAY SERVICE
Entire Service conducted by members of the Religious School

Friday Evening, May 20 .....8:15 P.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach

Saturday Morning, May 21 .....9:30 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Robert Ungar
Rabbi Noveck will deliver the Sermon

Late Friday Evening Services will continue through *Shavuoth*

Saturday Morning Services now commence at 9:30 A.M.

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Israel Anniversary

Those who attended the Sabbath Evening Service of the Men's Club of the Park Avenue Synagogue were privileged to listen to an inspiring address delivered by Reuven Dafni, the Israel Consul in New York.

The occasion marked the seventh birthday of the creation of the State of Israel. Despite the border clashes and the disturbances that have been publicized recently, world Jewry has much to rejoice and may point with pride to what has been accomplished by those who have held fast to the faith of their fathers in the restoration of Zion.

May we bring to the attention of our readers, the following excerpt of an editorial that appeared in the current issue of *"The Reconstructionist."*

"Israel this week observes its seventh birthday. That occasion is worthy of celebration not only in Israel but throughout the Diaspora, for it marks astonishing progress in the realization of a dream that our people have cherished through the ages.

We marvel at all that has been accomplished, at the barren land reclaimed, the eroded hills made green, the desert pushed back, the disease and pestilence vanquishd, cities built, farms established, the schools, industries, scientific advances and all of the other astonishing feats performed in so short a time. That such a dream could come true, and come true against such odds, is a shining vindication of faith—faith in the indomitability of man's aspirations supported by Divine Providence.

And yet, in the midst of our rejoicing, we are aware of the sober fact that the nation's existence is still imperiled. Hemmed in by boycotts and blockades, fighting off a relentless border war, threatened with annihilation by her rapidly arming neighbors and being slowly isolated by the West, Israel faces a precarious future.

The possibility that total war against Israel may break out again cannot be overlooked. But that prospect should not dampen our enthusiasm; rather, it should spur us on to urge our Government to throw its full weight behind the effort to bring peace to the area. It is fitting at this time that American Jewry and Israel should examine ways in which the two communities could grow closer together and enrich each other by the unique contributions which each is able to make to the perpetuation and advancement of Jewish life.

We join today with the rest of world Jewry in saluting the young state and wishing it *hazak v'ematz.* May it be strong and of good courage, and may it go from strength to strength."

SCHOOL NEWS

Registration

Registration of new students for the Primary and Hebrew Departments of the Religious School for the school year beginning in September 1955 may be made in the school office any afternoon during the months of May and June. Parents are urged to register their children immediately because the size of classes is limited.

Members of the congregation should advise their friends and relatives in the community that children of non-members may be enrolled in the school at this time.

Students, who now attend the Religious School, need not re-enroll for the new school year.

May Service

The Junior Congregation of the Religious School will conduct the Sabbath morning service in the Main Synagogue on May 14. The entire service will be led by the boys and girls of the school.

For many years, the members of the congregation who have attended this service have been impressed by its beauty and by the ability of students. It is hoped that all the members of the congregation will join them in Sabbath worship on May 14.

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Cantor's Assembly Meets For Annual Convention At Grossingers, May 9

The Cantors Assembly of America and the Department of Music of the United Synagogue of America will hold its 8th Annual Convention Conference Monday through Thursday inclusive, May 9 to 12 at Grossingers, Liberty, N. Y., at which 500 Cantors, Rabbis and Synagogue lay leaders will be present.

The Cantors Assembly of America is the National professional organization of Cantors serving in congregations throughout the United States and Canada. The Department of Music serves all of the musical needs of more than 500 Conservative congregations affiliated with the United Synagogue of America.

UJA Dinner

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Baruch Oseas, Mrs. Letty H. Osserman, Joseph A. Perlman, Dr. Leon Pordy, Cantor David J. Putterman, Dr. Paul Riebenfeld, Dr. Hector J. Ritey, Mrs. Fannie Rieff, Mrs. Abram W. Racoosin, Emanuel Rosenthal and Dr. Murray Rubinstein.

Nelson Ruttenberg, Benjamin Sack, Frieda Sack, Prof. Albert Salomon, Irving Sarnoff, Frederick W. Scholem, Dr. Max Schwarz, Dr. Sigmund A. Siegel, Mrs. Sigmund A. Siegel, Sidney J. Silberman, Stanley Simon, Milton M. Sivek, Asa D. Sokolow, Harry J. Sokolow, Harold R. Starkman, Archie Thurman, Milton Weill, Abraham M. Weinberg, Dr. Seymour Wimpfheimer, Samuel Witte and Max Zahler.

The financial objective of the New York UJA campaign is to raise the local share of the national UJA goal of just under $100,000,000 to sustain the work of the United Israel Appeal, the Joint Distribution Committee (including ORT), and New York Association for New Americans, as well as the local proportion of $2,289,968 required this year by the National Jewish Welfare Board and $1,624,350 by the American Jewish Congress.

Reservations should be made at the Park Avenue Synagogue or with Dr. Harold A. Osserman, Chairman, 230 Central Park South, N.Y.C., CI 6-8618. The cover will be $7 and dress informal.

PARK AVENUE SYNAGOGUE RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

WHY SHOULD MY CHILD GO TO RELIGIOUS SCHOOL?

By attending a modern Jewish school, together with others of his own age, your child will gain a rich and joyful experience as a Jew. He will learn the great heritage of our people . . . the traditions and culture of Jews through the ages . . . the Jewish ethics and ideals which have contributed to the development of the American democratic spirit. He will grow up with a deep love and understanding of the privilege of being Jewish. Your child will find identification with you, your family, the synagogue, the Jewish community in the United States and with the Jewish people throughout the world.

WHAT DOES YOUR SCHOOL OFFER MY CHILD?

MILTON STEINBERG HOUSE offers the finest and most modern facilities for instruction in Judaism.

- Spacious air-conditioned classrooms
- Small classes for individual instruction
- Elevators to all floors
- Modern, movable furniture
- Provisions for audio-visual aids
- Complete Library facilities
- Recreation lounges
- Tiled roof for play
- Club facilities for youth groups

FOR CHILDREN 5 to 9—The Primary Department holds sessions on Sunday morning from 9:45 to 12 Noon. Bible stories, customs, festivals are taught through games, songs and play.

FOR CHILDREN 9 to 15—The Hebrew Department meets two afternoons during the week and on Saturday morning. The children study Hebrew, history, prayer, customs and ceremonies, music, and participate in congregational worship.

The instruction is in the hands of a well-trained and experienced faculty who use modern classroom techniques. The program is enriched by the use of music, arts and crafts, dramatics, dance, visual aids, field trips and a full holiday program sponsored by the Parents Association.

WILL MY CHILD BE PREPARED FOR BAR MITZVAH AND CONFIRMATION?

Bar Mitzvah and Bat Mitzvah for boys and girls comes at the age of 13. In accordance with the recommendation of the United Synagogue Commission on Education, a minimum of three years of instruction in the Hebrew Department is required for Bar Mitzvah and Bat Mitzvah at the Park Avenue Synagogue. The Principal will discuss all special cases with parents.

Confirmation and Graduation from the school takes place at 15 or after five years of study in the Hebrew Department.

WHO MAY ATTEND THE RELGIOUS SCHOOL?

Membership in the Synagogue is not necessary to qualify your child for registration. The children of members and non-members of the congregation may be enrolled in the school.

WHEN MAY I REGISTER MY CHILD IN YOUR SCHOOL?

The School Office is open daily from 2:30 P.M. to 6:30 P.M. for enrollment of children. The school wll conduct its classes in Milton Steinberg House.

Please bring this information to any relatives or friends who are interested in Jewish Education for their children.

From the Desk of Executive Director

This Friday evening past, at the Men's Club Sabbath Servces which I attended, I was inspired by the kind of religious services conducted on Friday nights. Members of our Congregation who have missed this opportunity have denied themselves a positive religious experience.

What added to the Service itself, was the phenomenon of the Israel man in the person of Reuven Dafni. After listening to Mr. Dafni talk and after having met an occasional Israeli citizen it seems to me that it is an inescapable conclusion that the Jewish people in the process of building the state have also created a new and better man. It was inescapable in listening and observing Mr. Dafni that here we were witnessing proud patriotism without chauvinism, bravery in the face of tremendous hardship with no mock heroism and a statement of Israel's problem as a problem of the conscience of mankind both Jew and non-Jew.

There seemed to be in Mr. Dafni's exposition a breath of fresh air that comes with frankness, maturity and accomplishment without pomp. He very well symbolized the new State of Israel.

The Friday night before was a very different kind but equally interesting evening. Here the Young Marrieds themselves arranged their own program on the topic of "Where is the American Jew After Three Hundred Years?" While I missed the better part of the presentation, the interplay during the question and answer period demonstrated the unchallengable competence, skill and earnestness of the Young Married leadership.

It is also demonstrated that there are lots of problems facing the Jews of our country which call for the serious attention of all Jewish leadership no matter when they got married.

This month witness the first Synagogue wedding in our brand new air-conditioned unique Chapel. We shall have more to say about our Chapel at a future date, but at this time must announce that those who have not yet seen it are missing looking at what will undoubtedly become a tourist attraction for many visitors to New York City.

While you could get married in the Chapel it is not necessary to do that in your visit to it. Our Congregants will enjoy seeing this latest, almost entirely completed, new achievement of the Milton Steinberg House.

SIDNEY R. KATZ
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Religious Schools Raise Funds for Israel Youth

The five mid-Manhattan religious schools, Park Avenue, S. A. J., Kehilath Jeshurun, B'nai Jeshurun and Anche Chesed, recently completed a most successful *Keren Ami* project. Delegates from each of the schools held regular meetings during the school year and planned a vigorous campaign to raise funds in their schools for recreational activities in Israel.

On Sunday, April 22, John Stangel, the President of the Park Avenue Synagogue Religious School Student Council, presented a check, on behalf of the five schools to a representative of the Israeli Ministry of Education. The funds will supply five youth centers in Israel with kilns and supplies for ceramic work.

The presentation ceremonies were attended by three hundred students from the participating schools. Everyone enjoyed the program of songs, films, folk dances and refreshments and the feeling of pleasure that comes from the successful culmination of a worthwhile project.

Sisterhood

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This promises to be a gala affair and should have a huge attendance. The meeting will be held first, followed by the installation of the officers, and then the birthday party. The president will give her annual report. Rabbi Noveck will install the officers and Cantor Putterman will open the meeting with a prayer. A musical interlude featuring Stella Halpern, a prominent pianist, is also planned.

The new slate of officers is as follows: Chaplain, Mrs. Sigmund Siegel; President, Mrs. William Karmiol; Vice-Presidents, Mrs. Saul Granetts, Mrs. Benjamin Sack, Mrs. Harry J. Sokolow, Mrs. Tubie Resnik; Recording Secretary, Mrs. David Altschul; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Louis Greenstein; Financial Secretary, Mrs. Mortimer Millheiser; Treasurer, Mrs. Samuel Gellert.

Elected to serve on the Executive Board from 1955 to 1956: Mrs. Joseph H. Katz, Mrs. Jesse Haas, Mrs. Edwin Slote, Mrs. Louis Grossman, Mrs. Louis I. Heller, Mrs. Abel Phillips.

From 1955 to 1958: Mrs. Jacob Klein, Mrs. George Lyttle, Mrs. Jacob Starr, Mrs. Mitchell Levinthal, Mrs. Milton Sivek.

From 1955 to 1957: Mrs. Benjamin Gross, Mrs. Edward Munves, Mrs. Theodore Meistreich, Mrs. Harold Osserman, Mrs. Shy Rosen, Mrs. Herman Helpern, Mrs. Irving Shapiro, Mrs. Louis Stich, Mrs. Solomon Green, Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer.

From 1955 to 1956: Mrs. Harry Altmark, Mrs. Tubie Resnik, Mrs. Arthur Morse.

From 1955 to 1958: Mrs. Morris Edelman, Mrs. Mack Fieber, Mrs. Alfred Luebeck, Mrs. Abraham N. Geller, Mrs. Harry Neivert, Mrs. Marvin Spiegel.

School News

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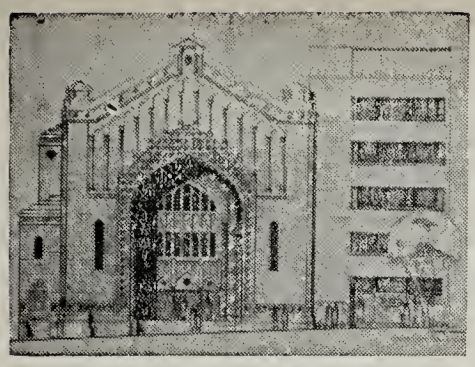
Primary Department Closing

The last session of the Primary Department will be held on Sunday morning, May 22.

End-of-term parties are held in each of the classes with entertainment provided by the students and refreshments supplied by the school. The students, then, meet in the Auditorium for a showing of a film and the awardng of certificates of completed study to each of the students.



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Amy Putterman

It is with deep regret that we announce the passing of Amy Putterman, the dear wife of our beloved cantor, David J. Putterman.

To Cantor, his sons, William Zev and Alan Roberts, the congregation of the Park Avenue Synagogue expresses its heartfelt sympathy.

Funeral services were held today at the Synagogue.

Rabbi Noveck Awarded Ph.D.

Congratulations are due Rabbi Simon Noveck on achieving his Ph.D. Degree from Columbia University this week. The Rabbi submitted a dissertation entitled "Rise of the Democratic Idea in America 1774-1801" which he recently defended before a jury of five outstanding historians and social scientists.

Annual Confirmation Service to be Held Shavuoth Morning, May 27

The Religious School will hold its Confirmation and Graduation exercises at the Shavuoth services on Friday morning, May 27.

The following students have completed the requirements for confirmation and will be awarded certificates: Susan L. Appleman, Peter A. Bienstock, Susan L. Druss, Michael P. Freedman, Susan L. Jacob, Geraldine Klein, Steven A. Kohn, Alan Mehlman, Stephen M. Stowe, and Ellen Wimpfheimer. Four of the students will also be granted diplomas of graduation from the five-year course in the Hebrew Department.

ALAN MEHLMAN

Alan Mehlman will receive the Youth Leadership Award which is given by the Men's Club each year for outstanding scholarship, character, service and leadership. Alan is a regular attendant at the Friday evening and Saturday morning services and frequently visits other synagogues to compare the liturgical music as it is sung by other cantors. During the last year, Alan played the musical accompaniment for the Junior Congregation and at the recent May Service he sang the Amidah. Alan will spend the summer at Camp Ramah, one of the three Hebrew-speaking camps operated by the United Synagogue of America. The award, a silver medal and a certificate will be presented by Milton Sivek, president of the Men's Club.

Michael Freedman and Alan Mehlman have been elected to membership in the Keter Torah, an all-city honor society. This organization sponsored by the Board of Education of the Metropolitan Council of the United Synagogue, consists of honor graduates from the New York City Religious Schools who have received three annual scholarship awards prior to graduation.

Each of the confirmands will, also, receive certificates, diplomas, bibles—a gift from Sisterhood—and a cash award for the purchase of Jewish books given by Jacob Klein, President of the Synagogue. The certificates and awards

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

SHAVUOTH SERVICES

First Evening, Thursday, May 26 ..... 6:00 P.M.
First Morning, Friday, May 27 ..... 9:30 A.M.

CONFIRMATION EXERCISES

Second Evening, Friday, May 27 ..... 6:00 P.M.
Second Morning, Saturday, May 28 ..... 9:30 A.M.

YISKOR (MEMORIAL) SERVICES

Rabbi Noveck will preach

Services will continue through the summer on Friday evenings at 6:00 P.M. and on Saturday mornings at 9:30 A.M.

Rabbi Noveck and Cantor Putterman will officiate at Services during the month of June. Cantor Abraham Friedman will officiate during July and August.

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Junior Congregation

It is difficult to measure the achievements of any religious institution in exact terms. Usually, an educational program is evaluated by means of examinations, standardized tests and surveys made by professional educators. All of these techniques have a place in determining the achievement and accomplishments of a school.

However, the members of our congregation, who attended the Sabbath morning services on May 14, had an unusual opportunity to judge the work of the Park Avenue Synagogue Religious School.

On that morning the students in our school conducted the services in the main synagogue with a dignity, sincerity and an emotional fervor that brought smiles of pleasure and appreciation to the faces of all the congregants. The sixteen, well-poised boys and girls on the pulpit, dressed in their black gowns, led the congregation in a service whose beauty was heightened by the spirit of the congregational singing, the charm of the young voices and the feeling of sincerity which pervaded the synagogue.

During the reading of the *Torah*, five young men, former confirmands and graduates from the school—John Roth, Michael Bornstein, Hugh Straus, Theodore Zucker and Michael Rosenblum—were each given an *Aliyah*. As they walked to the pulpit and recited the blessings, one had a feeling that there was a continuity in our synagogue life that carried on from the school through young and adult life and into the future. There was a feeling that our students had a strong attachment to the Park Avenue Synagogue and through it to Judaism.

When the time came for the sermon, Rabbi Noveck introduced the principal of the school, Martin Leichtling, as the spiritual force behind the growth of the school and its significant influence on the children of the congregation.

Since becoming principal of the Religious School in September 1948, Mr. Leichtling has been responsible for the implementation of the new school policies and the development of the educational program. With the 5-year school course, it is now possible for boys and girls who have become bar and bas mitzvah to continue their religious studies to graduation—confirmation.

Mr. Leichtling spoke to the congregation on "A Feeling of Pride and A Sense of Responsibility." He described our pride in the achievements of our students, the pride of all Jews in their 300 years of accomplishment in America, and the greater pride that we Jews have in our contributions to the civilization of the world.

In reviewing the contributions made by Jews to world civilization, he said: "Greek civilization may have been important in the development of our modern art, literature, politics, philosophy and science, but the Greeks failed to imbue all this with a respect for the little man and the warmth and understanding of a God of justice, mercy and compassion. For this we are indebted to the Hebrew.

The Hebrews have further given us the Bible as a source of learning and morality; the Sabbath as a day of rest; the Prophets as preachers of social justice in a world of oppression and inequity; the responsibility of man for his brother; the story of Moses to inspire all fighters for freedom and liberty for the individual; and the promise of the Messianic Age when all the family of the earth, at last at peace, will live united in brotherhood and happiness.

But, this feeling of pride may rightfully be enjoyed only by those of us who are willing to assume our responsibility for keeping our heritage fresh and alive. We must respect our heritage; we must study it; we must teach it; and, we must live by it.

We, at the Park Avenue Synagogue, have accepted our responsibility willingly. The synagogue has constructed a school building which exemplifies both the traditional and the modern aspects of our life. The parents have created a Jewish home and have given the school the opportunity to help in the education of their children. The children come to us with open minds and eagerness to learn the traditions and culture of their forefathers.

The acceptance of the responsibility to keep alive the heritage of Judaism by the synagogue, the parents and our children will make the Milton Steinberg House live and assure the continuance of the Jewish way of life."

Those who participated in the Junior Congregation Service were: John Stangel, Susan Jacob, Charles Kaiser, Joseph Weintraub, Jon Waldman, Joan Rubenstein, Steven Kohn, Michael Freedman, Stephen Feig, David Reichman, Elliot Zucker, Fred Sapirstein, Joel Grantz, Leona Giat and Alan Mehlman.

Ushers were: Jay Greenblatt, Joel Shapiro, Leon Weisberg and Richard Fread.

For those who plan to be away over the summer, we would like to publish the dates of the High Holy Days for 1955, (5716). ROSH HASHANAH, Saturday, September 17 and Sunday, September 18; KOL NIDRE EVE., Sunday, September 25; and YOM KIPPUR DAY, Monday, September 26.

May we, the members of the BULLETIN staff, in our final issue of the season, take this opportunity to wish you a wonderful summer holiday. See you next fall.

Four Students to Have Bar Mitzvahs in June

During the month of June, four students will celebrate their Bar Mitzvahs.

On June 4, Randall Weingarten, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Weingarten will celebrate his Bar Mitzvah. Joel Siegel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Siegel will be Bar Mitzvah June 11.

On June 18, Michael Heyman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Heyman, and on June 25, Laurence Eisenberg, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Eisenberg will celebrate their Bar Mitzvahs.

SCHOOL NEWS

Closing Exercises

The Primary Department of the Religious School held its closing exercises in the Synagogue, on Sunday, May 22. The morning's program was highlighted by the showing of movies, the distribution of awards for scholarship and attendance, the partaking of refreshments and the exchanges of farewells and good wishes for the summer among the students and teachers.

The Hebrew Department will continue to hold classes through the second week in June.

State Scholarships

The Board of Regents recently announced the winners of the annual scholarship awards throughout the state. Each scholarship carries a yearly stipend of $350 for four years, and may be used at any college in the State of New York.

Four students, who formerly attended the Religious School, were among the recipients of the award. Congratulations to Alice Helpern, Anthony G. Greenwald, Jeremiah Ostriker and Neil S. Janovic.

Registration

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Camp Ramah

Six students of the Religious School, Joel Grantz, Alan Mehlman, Michael Slotc and Teddy, Harry and Emil Pincus will spend the summer at *Camp Ramah.*

Camp Ramah consists of three camps, in Connecticut, Pennsylvania and Wisconsin, sponsored by the United Synagogue of America. These camps emphasize a program of Hebrew study and Jewish living in addition to all of the usual camp activities.

Mazel Tov

TO Dr. and Mrs. William Karmiol on the Birth of a grandson, Andrew Howard Frost.

TO Dr. and Mrs. A. R. Widlitz, on the Birth of a daughter, Pamela Joy.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Alex E. Arnstein on the Birth of a grandchild.

TO Mr. Louis M. Friedman on the Birth of a great grandchild, Robert N. Randall Jr., May 5.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Julius Guggenheimer on the Marriage of their granddaughter.

TO Cantor David J. Putterman on his Birthday, May 29.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Henry Roth on their 50th Wedding Anniversary, June 18.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Bernsten on the Engagement of their son, Lieut. Edward R. Bernstein to Judyth A. Mayer.

TO Mrs. Charles Weill on her 87th Birthday, June 13.

TO Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Gross on their 40th Wedding Anniversary, June 15.

TO Mrs. and Mrs. George Lyttle on their 35th Wedding Anniversary, June 22.

TO Judge and Mrs. Sanford H. Cohen on their 35th Wedding Anniversary, June 27.

Mrs. Hammerman Visits Israel Tours U.S. for Hadassah

Mrs. Joseph Hammerman, of the congregation, and a member of the Committee on Adult Education, recently participated in a Hadassah leadership tour of Israel where she spent several weeks traveling through the State for the third time. She also visited Morocco and Cambous in North Africa, together with Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt.

Since her return from this trip, Mrs. Hammerman has left for a speaking tour through Texas and the southern states on behalf of Israel, Hadassah and Zionism.

Bertha Hammerman is National Vice-President of Hadassah, Chairman of its National Organization Committee and member of its National Board.

Birthday Fete, Elections Held by Sisterhood

On Tuesday, May 17, Sisterhood held its final meeting of the season—a gala birthday party and installation of officers. Cantor Putterman opened the meeting with a prayer and Rabbi Simon Noveck installed the officers. A musical interlude was supplied by Stella Halpern. It was a very enjoyable afternoon.

Although there will be no meetings during the summer, the work of Sisterhood does not cease. Work has already been started on the annual Donor Luncheon. Members will receive more information about this during the summer.

A series of programs of unusual and varied interest has been planned for next season's Open Meetings. Watch the BULLETIN for further details and the mail for future announcements. Meanwhile, remember to reserve the third Tuesday of every month for Sisterhood's Open Meeting.

Confirmation

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will be presented by Mrs. Sigmund Siegel, chairman of the School Board.

The members of the Confirmation Class will actively participate in the Shavuoth Services. They will read from the Scriptures, present an explanation of their readings and deliver a series of papers on "What is Conservative Judaism."

A reception in honor of the confirmands will be held in the auditorium immediately after the service.

Yiskor Elohim

LULU JOSEPH

sister of Leon Blauner

CHARLES L. MARCUS

brother of Jerome Konheim

LEOPOLD KLEIN

Psychologist to Probe Minds at Parent Group's "Family Party Night"

A Family Party night will mark the final open meeting of the Parents Association on Wednesday evening, June 8, at the Auditorium of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

The Parents Association has been fortunate in securing Dr. Stanley Jaks, the fascinating psychologist from Zurich, Switzerland, who will entertain the audience with his exciting lecture, "Curiosities of the Mind." The guests will be invited to share in the unusual and unexplainable experiments and demonstrations performed by Dr. Jaks.

Many are the admirers of this amazing mentalist. John F. Royal, Vice-President of the National Broadcasting Company, wrote of Dr. Jaks, "Profound thanks for your wonderful experiments at my home last evening." From the Agha Khan: "Dr. Jaks has amazed and hugely entertained my family and guests many times." Former President Harry S. Truman, calls Dr. Jaks, "Simply remarkable!" Dorothy Kilgallen, columnist of the Journal American and TV star, refers to Dr. Jaks as the "Modern Nostradamus!"

Members of the Boy Scout Troop and representatives from the Girl Scouts will also participate in the festivities. Refreshments and a social evening will follow the meeting.

The Nominating Committee, of which Mr. Bernard Weintraub is chairman, will submit the proposed slate of officers and members of the Executive Board for the coming year. The following slate has been recommended: President, Mrs. Herman Helpern. Chairman of Executive Board, Mrs. Harry Zucker; Vice-Presidents, Mrs. Hector Ritey, Mrs. Adolph Stangel and Mrs. Nelson Ruttenberg; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Sam Deutsch; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Michael Stowe; Treasurer, Mrs. Leon Klein; and Honorary Member, Mrs. Abram Blau.

Executive Board includes: Mrs. Bruno Foa, Mrs. Emil Forster, Mrs. I. E. Gevirtz, Mrs. Bernard Grauer, Mrs. William Halpern, Mrs. J. J. Hoexter, Mrs. George Heyman, Mr. Edward Kay, Mr. Leon Klein, Mrs. Paul Miller, Mrs. Joseph Pincus, Mrs. Joseph Rubinstein, Mrs. Aaron Schoenbaum, Mrs. Albert Siegel, Mrs. Stanley Simon, Mrs. Hugh Strauss, Mr. Bernard Weintraub and Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer.

New members on the Board: Dr. Bruno Foa, Mrs. Frank Bergman and Mrs. Chas. Weisberg.

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Men's Club Elects Officers for '55 At Dinner-Meeting

The Men's Club closed the season on May 17 with the Annual Meeting and Dinner, held in the Synagogue Auditorium. The evening started off with cocktails and hot hors d'oeuvres, followed by a full course dinner.

At the meeting which succeeded the dinner, the slate presented by the Committee on Nominations under the chairmanship of James J. Leibman was elected and installed. The new officers for the 1955-6 season are:

President, Milton M. Sivek; First Vice President, Charles Bennet; Second Vice President, Dr. Harry Neivert; Treasurer, Lawrence A. Meyers; Recording Secretary, Jacob W. Boorstein and Corresponding Secretary, Louis I. Heller.

The members elected to the Board of Directors for a term of three years expiring in 1958 are: Julian Jacobs, Hon. Maxwell Shapiro, Dr. Sigmund A. Siegel, and Dr. Samuel J. Stern.

Elected for a one year term on the Board of Directors is David Altschul.

From the Desk of Executive Director

It takes some people a long time to make up their mind and there are circumstances when Park Avenue Synagogue can feel proud for a little bit of slowness by some of our members.

We received a letter the other day from a member who moved to Scarsdale three years ago and finally decided that their Synagogue association with Park Avenue Synagogue must be severed and wrote "This decision is a hard one to make because of the love for the Synagogue and the wonderful services and it has taken us two years to make up our minds to take this step."

They describe our High Holiday Services as something which they "really love and enjoyed over the many years," and promised to worship with us whenever they are in New York over the Sabbath.

Our forthcoming High Holidays

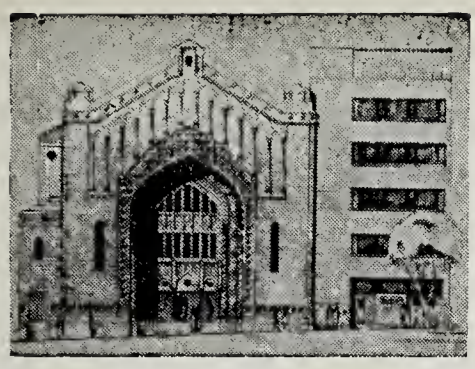
This very logically brings to mind the High Holidays for the coming year. Our members will shortly find in their mail the customary communications and High Holiday seat reservations. So many of our members are prompt and confirm their reservations almost by return mail. This practice is of great assistance to the Synagogue and is of help to the Membership Committee in resolving adjustments which are sometimes necessary and of course in acting upon new applications for membership.

SIDNEY A. KATZ
Executive Director

Young Marrieds to Hold Election Meeting June 7

The election of officers of the Young Married Group, for the year 1955-56 is to be the key point of interest when the Group holds its final meeting of the current season, June 7, 1955 at 8:00 P.M. in the Auditorium of the Steinberg House. Other business points will be voted upon and followed by a social session.

The Executive Committee urges all members to make a special effort to attend this meeting since in addition to the election of new officers certain changes in the by-laws must be voted upon.



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HIGH HOLIDAY SERVICES BEGIN FRIDAY NIGHT, SEPTEMBER 16

NEW YEAR GREETINGS

FROM:

EZRA COHEN

Chairman of the Board of Trustees

In behalf of the Officers and Board of Trustees of Park Avenue Synagogue, cordial New Year's greetings are extended to members of the Synagogue and their families.

Rosh Hashanah is celebrated as a rededication to the good life. The holiday coincides in time with the resumption of the year's activities both in the Synagogue and out of it.

May I urge all of our members and their families to avail themselves of the gratifying and fruitful opportunities to participate in the varied activities of Synagogue life.

This will give its leadership and officers the encouragement and continued determination to maintain our institution at the high level of services which all Jewry has come to expect of us.

EZRA COHEN

JACOB KLEIN

President, Park Avenue Synagogue

Hearty wishes for a very Happy New Year this coming *Rosh Hashanah* and for many, many years to come.

New Years and the Day of Atonement have been likened to business procedure to some extent. The business man at the end of each year takes an inventory of his assets and liabilities. If his assets exceed his liabilities, he is solvent; if they are in excess, he has made a good profit and is happy, but if his liabilities should be greater than his assets, he is in bad shape and has cause for worry.

On the High Holy days we take an inventory of our conduct during the past year. If we have done anything that right minded people would not countenance, we list them among our liabilities. On New Years day, when we total our assets and liabilities, we can well be happy, if our assets are far in excess of

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SCHEDULE OF HOLIDAY SERVICES

Rosh Hashanah Eve, Friday, Sept. 16 ..... 5:45 P.M.
Rosh Hashanah Morning, Saturday, Sept. 17 ..... 8:30 A.M.

Second Evening, Saturday, Sept. 17 ..... 5:45 P.M.
Second Morning, Sunday, Sept. 18 ..... 8:30 A.M.

Friday, Evening, Sept. 23 ..... 5:45 P.M.
Shabbat Shuvah, Sept. 24 ..... 9:30 A.M.

Kol Nidre, Sunday, Sept. 25 ..... 6:30 P.M.

Yom Kippur, Monday, Sept. 26 ..... 8:30 A.M.

Yizkor (Memorial Services) ..... 3:00 P.M.

The High Holy Day Services will be conducted by Rabbi Simon Noveck and Cantor David J. Putterman, assisted by the Synagogue Choir and organist, George Crook.

Park Avenue Synagogue will usher in the Jewish New Year on Friday evening, September 16th at 6:00 P.M. with the *Rosh Hashanah Maariv* Services. The two days of *Rosh Hashanah* Saturday and Sunday, September 17th and 18th respectively will witness High Holiday Services at the Synagogue in both the main section of the Synagogue and in the Auditorium (Vestry). The Services will be conducted as in the past by Rabbi Simon Noveck and Cantor David J. Putterman assisted by the Synagogue choir and the organist, George Crook.

While still maintaining the concept of one Service for both the main Synagogue and the Auditorium (Vestry), this year will contain an innovation. Park Avenue Synagogue has obtained the services of an added Rabbi for the High Hoidays, Rabbi Joel S. Geffen. Rabbi Geffen is National Director of the Department of Field Activities and Community Education of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America.

Rabbi Noveck and Rabbi Geffen will each deliver separate sermons. On the first day of *Rosh Hashanah* Rabbi Noveck will preach in the main Synagogue, Rabbi Geffen in the Auditorium. On the second day of *Rosh Hashanah* the arrangement will be reversed. Similarly on *Yom Kippur*. The musical portions of the Services by Cantor Putterman and the choir will as in the past be simultaneously available to the main Synagogue and the Auditorium. The *Rosh Hashanah* sermon of Rabbi Simon Noveck will be "Hopes for Modern Man." Rabbi Joel Geffen will speak on "The Case for Hope." On *Yom Kippur*, Rabbi Noveck will talk on "Survival Is Not Enough" and Rabbi Geffen will discuss "New Dimensions For American Jewish Living."

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our liabilities. But if the reverse is true, we should not only pray for forgiveness but more important, try to right the wrongs we have committed, and ask God to help us live according to his teachings.

This coming year, as well as in the years to come, we ought to try and have a philosophy of life, with ideas, that will stand the test of time

"Better to die for an idea and live forever
Than live for nothing and die forever"

Our ideas should be pure, clean and thoughtful and be concerned mainly with the improvement of mankind.

I had the extreme pleasure of visiting Israel last June and the thrill that I got on entering the promised land, which thrill and privilege was denied to Moses, is one of the most exciting of my lifetime.

God said the promised land would be one where milk and honey would freely flow. It did flow freely at the beginning, but ceased to flow for many centuries. Today, Israel is again a land flowing not only with milk and honey, but rich in everything it was poor in, only a short time ago.

Where there was desert and wasteland, you now find blooming gardens, fine orchards, tremendous building activity, manufacturing business thriving and a great spiritual desire to make Israel a country the Jews may well be proud of, and although I contributed nothing except money that my limited means permitted, I was proud to see what Israel has accomplished. The Jews are on the march and nothing, no not even the Arabs, can stop them.

May all of us be inspired on these coming High Holy Days and may we all be spiritually uplifted to do God's bidding with a full heart and a pure soul.

JACOB KLEIN

Men's Club

Milton M. Sivek, President of the Men's Club of Park Avenue Synagogue extended his warmest wishes for a year of health and happiness. In announcing his New Year greetings, Mr. Sivek stated: "We in the Men's Club look forward to a year of continued service to the Park Avenue Synagogue. It is with pleasure that we look back upon our past year of achievement including the ability of the Men's Club to complete payment on its $15,000 pledge by a $2,000 remittance to the Milton Steinberg Memorial Fund. We also voted to contribute a lectern for use in the Auditorium and two flags for the Boy Scouts."

Mr. Sivek also announced that Mr. Monroe Heyward had been named Program Chairman for the coming year and that Dr. Sigmund Siegel was reappointed Chairman of Membership with Louis I. Heller also continuing responsibility for publicity.

Mr. Sivek concluded the statement by inviting all men in Park Avenue Synagogue families to join the Men's Club and come to its meetings on the fourth Tuesday of every month.

In accordance with the request of the Men's Club, Yahrzeit candles will be lit four times a year when Yizkor (Memorial Services) are held as well as on the Yahrzeit of each of the young men whose name is memorialized on the World War II Tablet in the Synagogue.

High Holiday Services

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Cantor Abraham Friedman will conduct the early *Schacharit* Services in the main Synagogue and Emanuel Rice, Seminary student, will assist in the Auditorium.

Isidore Hahn, a member of the Congregation at Park Avenue Synagogue, will again be honored with the privilege of blowing the Shofar.

Yom Kippur Services will begin with the *Kol Nidre* prayer on Sunday evening, September 25 at 6:30 P.M. The following day, Monday, *Yom Kippur* Services will begin at 8:30 A.M. and continue until dusk. The Yizkor Service will take place at approximately 3:00 P.M.

Dr. Sol Winnick, Chairman of the Ushering Committee, has requested all members to please remember to bring their tickets with them during the Holidays and thus expedite seating and add to the decorum.

Regular Sabbath Services Resumed Sat., Sept. 10

On Saturday, September 10, the Sabbath Services of the Park Avenue Synagogue were resumed in the Main Synagogue with Rabbi Noveck and Cantor Putterman officiating.

Rabbi Noveck's Sermon topic this Saturday was "The Capacity to Choose."

Jonathan Siegel was Bar Mitzvah. He is the son of Samuel and Dorothy Siegel.

Congratulations

Mr. & Mrs. Albert Kurzman—Marriage of son Stephen to Ellen Goldberg.
Mr. & Mrs. Michael Borish—Birth of granddaughter.
Mr. & Mrs. Benjamin Sack—Birth of granddaughter.
Mrs. Mildred Bilsky—Marriage to Dr. Louis Friedfeld.
Mrs. Juliette T. Benton—Marriage of son Tom Scheinman to Bonnie Finch.
Mr. & Mrs. Jules Haft—Marriage of son Jay to Ella Siegel.
Mr. & Mrs. Archie Thurman—Birth of grandson.
Dr. & Mrs. E. Gladstone—Birth of granddaughter.
Mr. & Mrs. Louis Katz—Engagement of daughter Barbara to Lewis Dean Katz.
Mr. & Mrs. Martin Ostriker—Marriage of daughter Naomi Judith to Paul Edward Seligman.
Mr. & Mrs. Alex Kaplan—Birth of son David Zvi.
Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Drachsler—Marriage of daughter Ethel.

Recently Married? See Dudley Greenstein!

The Young Marrieds Group once again extends to Rabbi Noveck, Cantor Putterman, the Synagogue Officials, the members of the Congregation and their families, our best wishes.

The Group, through its President, Dudley L. Greenstein, extends a cordial invitation to all Young Marrieds in the Synagogue to join them. The initial meeting will be held in the Auditorium of the Synagogue, Tuesday evening, October 11, at 8:30 P.M.

Anyone knowing of potential members or desiring information please communicate with the Chairman of the Membership Committee, Mrs. Marge Silberman, 435 East 14th Street, New York City.

from the desk of Dr. Noveck

One of the great lessons of the High Holy Day season is the impetus it gives us for growth and personal development. *Rosh Hashonah* and *Yom Kippur* urge upon us a continual increase of our individual powers, a widening of horizons, a releasing of new and undiscovered powers so that we may live our lives on the highest level. Plato wrote many centuries ago that a community is but an "individual writ large." An institution also must grow and develop, experiment with new programs, undertake new projects and constantly widen its horizons, if it is to provide a rich and meaningful program for its members.

The Board of Trustees, the Synagogue committees and the affiliated groups have many plans for the coming season which will soon be brought to your attention. As I begin my seventh year among you there are several aspects of this year's program to which I am looking forward with particular interest:

First, High Holy Day services of dignity and beauty that will be meaningful for all who attend. This year every effort is being made to render the services in the auditorium or Vestry on the same high level as in the main Synagogue. Rabbi Joel Geffen, director of community services at the Seminary will share the preaching assignments with me during the holidays. It is a pleasure to welcome him to our midst.

Second, the reconstitution of the daily *Minyan*. It was my privilege to conduct Sabbath services together with Cantor Friedman in the new small Synagogue throughout the month of July. All who have worshipped in it are agreed that it is an inspiring little sanctuary. A daily *Minyan* held in this new chapel will represent a much needed addition to our Synagogue's religious program.

Third, a series of sermons which I plan to deliver at our late Friday evening services on great Jewish personalities through the ages and their contribution to Jewish survival. The personalities to be considered will include: Moses, Josephus, Spinoza, Baal Shem Tov (the founder of Hassidism) Freud (with emphasis on his views about religion and Judaism) Brandeis, Ben Gurion and others. In each case the most recent biographies will be reviewed, and the contribution of these personalities to the great moral and social issues of our time will be discussed.

Fourth, the selection during the next few months of an associate Rabbi to join me in the spiritual leadership of the Synagogue. It is my fervent hope that a candidate agreeable to the pulpit committee, the Board of Trustees and the congregation will soon be found, and that he will join our staff in the very near future.

Fifth, the appearance in book form of the lectures on Judaism and psychiatry delivered in our synagogue during the past two years as part of our Adult Education program. These lectures have attracted attention throughout the country and several congregations have repeated this series. I know many of you will want to read these papers on basic problems in personal living.

Sixth, publication of the biography on the life and work of Milton Steinberg. During the past summer, I have completed the first draft which now runs to 400 pages. I am hoping during the coming months to make the necessary revisions, and that the book will appear before the end of this religious season.

Finally, ("*acharon acharon chaviv*"—the last is the most important) the opportunity of getting to know each of you, to share your joys, bolster your hopes and alleviate your sorrows. The Board of Trustees, through the building committee, has set up for me a very beautiful study, very tastefully furnished, on the fourth floor of Steinberg House. I plan to be in my study most afternoons from 2:30 to 6:30 and it will give me a great deal of pleasure if you will drop in when you are in the vicinity. The door will be open at all times.

May you and your dear ones be inscribed in the book of life for a year of health, personal happiness and creative achievement. "*L'shonoh tovah tekosayvu*".

SIMON NOVECK

Condolences

Death of Mrs. Fannie Steinberg—Mother of the late Rabbi Milton Steinberg.

Jerrold Golding—death of mother.

Mrs. Anne Rosenthal — Death of husband Dr. Nathan Rosenthal.

Dr. Morris Bien—Death of father Max Bien.

Mrs. Irving Kaufman — Death of father Louis Rosenberg.

New Year's Greeting from Hazzan Putterman

(The following supplication, composed by a humble Hazzan in the Middle Ages, reveals the fervor and humility with which our forefathers prayed on these Days of Judgment. May we recapture its beautiful spirit of sincere piety and earnestness.)

"Behold, in deep humility
I stand and plead before Thee, God on high,
Great Lord who are enthroned above all praise,
O hearken and give heed unto my prayer.
Though unworthy of my sacred task,
Though imperfect, too, and filled with awe,
I bow before Thy holy Presence here,
To crave compassion for my erring folk.
O God of Israel's Patriarchs,
Their children's children send me as their voice
To supplicate Thy pardon and Thy grace,
To ask Thy mercy, Thy continued love.
Though unworthy of my mission, Lord,
Though I stand not flawless in Thy sight,
Condemn Thou not my people for my faults,
Consider but their virtues, Righteous Judge.
Forgive us our iniquities,
And turn Thou our afflictions unto joy.
Thou great, exalted God who hearest prayer,
Hear ours, and bless us all with life and peace."

A Happy New Year to all.

Hazzan DAVID J. PUTTERMAN

To the Schwebel Family—Death of Mrs. Fay Schwebel.

Samuel Lemberg—Death of father Gersh Lemberg.

Jack Maltz--Death of mother Beckie Maltz.

Mrs. Benjamin Bernstein—Death of mother Lena Joseph.

Miss Ruth Marossi—Death of both mother and father.

Mrs. Milton Heller and Edwin Davidson—Death of mother Frieda Davidson.

To the Hoexter family—Death of David Hoexter.

High Holy Day Services for Youth at Jewish Museum

The Junior Congregation and the members of the Youth Groups will hold their annual High Holy Day services at the Jewish Museum, Fifth Avenue and 92nd Street. The services will be conducted by the students of the Religious School and our post-Confirmands, under the guidance and supervision of Mr. Irving Spielman, of the Jewish Theological Seminary.

Mr. Spielman will also conduct special services for the younger children, ages six to nine, who attend the Primary Department of the Religious School. This service will give our children, who do not read Hebrew, an opportunity to enjoy a rich emotional and religious experience.

Tickets for the services at the Museum will be mailed to the students of the Primary Department and the Hebrew Department of the Religious School. Parents may secure tickets for children not enrolled in the school by calling the school office.

The schedule of services at the Museum is:

Sept. 17 and 18
10:15-11:15 Younger Children
11:30- 1:00 Junior Congregation
Sept. 25
6:30 Kol Nidre—Jr. Congregation
Sept. 26
11:30- 1:00 Junior Congregation
1:30- 2:30 Younger Children
5:30 Ne'ilah—Jr. Congregation

The facilities of the Jewish Museum, an affiliate of the Jewish Theological Seminary, are made available through the kindness of Dr. Stephen S. Kayser, curator of the museum.

Judge Rifkind Honored

Former Federal Judge Simon H. Rifkind, member of the Park Avenue Synagogue and one of its Trustees, was recently honored by the National Chairman of the UJA, Mr. William Rosenwald, in awarding to Judge Simon H. Rifkind a recently unearthed ancient Palestine lamp for Judge Rifkind's work over the years in behalf of oppressed Jews.

A similar award was given last year to President Eisenhower.

School Bells - Sept. 19

The Hebrew Department of the Religious School will hold its opening session on Monday afternoon, September 19, the Primary Department October 16. Students, who attended the Primary Department or the Hebrew Department last year, will be informed of their new class and room assignments by post card. New students for the coming year may register in the School Office any afternoon after 3:00 P. M.

The Primary Department of the school holds sessions on Sunday morning for children from the ages of six through nine. The Hebrew Department, for children up to the age of 15, meets on two afternoons during the week and on Saturday morning. A major feature of the Saturday morning session is the Junior Congregation where the students have an opportunity to worship together.

Library Fund Authorized

The Board of Trustees has authorized the establishment of a Special Library Fund to be used solely for the purchase of books, scrolls, manuscripts and similar documents for the new library. Contributions and pledges to this Fund have already been received.

A Library Book Selection Committee has been appointed and, during the coming year, this Committee will make expenditures from the Fund with a view of assembling a worthwhile and representative collection of books of interest to Synagogue members and to our affiliated organizations.

Asa D. Sokolow is Chairman of the Committee.

Pace Awards Lubin

Among the many college commencement exercises in the early summer, one of special interest to the membership of Park Avenue Synagogue, is the Pace College graduation at which, Joseph I. Lubin one of our members and esteemed Trustees received an Honorary Doctor's Degree.

New admissions to the Primary Department and the Hebrew Department of the Religious School are now being accepted in the school office. Parents are urged to visit the office any afternoon after 3:00 P.M. to register their children.

Religious School Expands Teaching Staff

The School Board announces the appointment of Mrs. Bathsheva Lewkowicz as a full-time teacher in the Hebrew Department of the Religious School.

Mrs. Lewkowicz' experience and background make her a worthy addition to our faculty. She was born in New York City and received her Bachelor of Arts degree from Brooklyn College and her Hebrew Teacher's Certificate from the Herzeliah Teachers Institute. After her graduation, Mrs. Lewkowicz taught Hebrew for three years and then went to Israel where she studied at the Hebrew University Law School and taught in the elementary school system.

During the summer of 1954 and 1955, Mrs. Lewkowicz was head counsellor of Camp Massad in the Poconos.

Sisterhood News

Sisterhood's first Open Meeting of the season, which will be held on Tuesday, September 20 at 12:00 Noon, will be a gala afternoon of a completely social nature. A special luncheon will be served (without charge) instead of the usual dessert luncheon. This will be followed by cards, scrabble, mah jongg—or just plain conversation! Come and meet your friends at Sisterhood.

Sisterhood is celebrating its 60th birthday this year with a Diamond Jubilee—a donor luncheon at the Hotel Biltmore on Monday, December 12th. An exciting afternoon is being planned. Watch the BULLETIN for further details.

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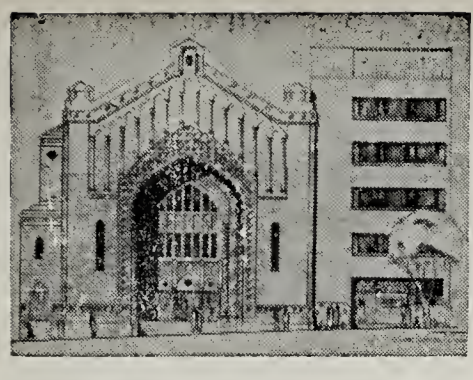

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Synagogue Honors Three Leaders at Simhath Torah Services October 9

Archie I. Thurman, Mrs. Sanford H. Cohen and Saul Horowitz will receive honors by the Park Avenue Synagogue for outstanding service at the *Simhath Torah* Religious Service which will be held Sunday morning, October 9.

The awards are made annually by the Board of Trustees of Park Avenue Synagogue to persons who have served with distinction in the field of Synagogue, Jewish and communal affairs.

Archie I. Thurman has been named *Hathan Torah,* "Bridegroom of the *Torah*", Saul Horowitz has been designated as *Hathan Bereshith* "Bridegroom of the Beginning", (of the reading of the *Torah*) and Mrs. Sanford H. Cohen will be designated as *Kalah Mafteret,* "Bride of the Prophetic Message".

While many Congregations continue the ancient tradition of honoring their members by designating them as *Hathan Torah* and *Hathan Bereshith,* it was in the Park Avenue Synagogue that the distinction of honoring a woman was inaugurated several years ago.

Scrolls of Honor will be presented to Mr. Thurman, Mrs. Cohen, and Mr. Horowitz by Mr. Joseph Howard Katz, Mrs. Harry Sokolow and Mr. Milton Weill respectively.

Mrs. Dorothy Gellert and Mrs. Harry J. Sokolow have been named by Mrs. William Karmiol, Sisterhood President,

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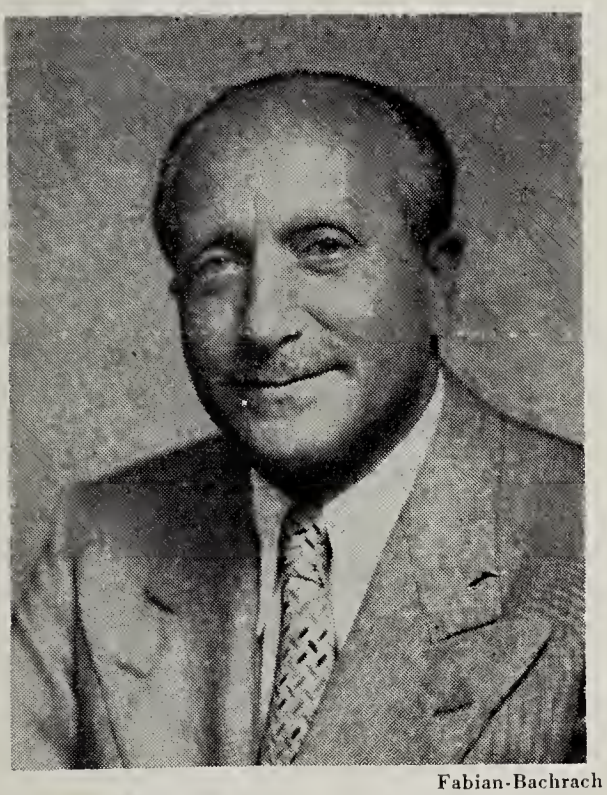
Bridegroom of the Torah



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ARCHIE I. THURMAN

Bride of the Prophetic Message

Gene Garry

MRS. SANFORD H. COHEN

Bridegroom of the Beginning

Yvonne Leroux

SAUL HOROWITZ

Heymans Have Bar Mitzvah Party

One of the nicest family parties at our Synagogue was held on Saturday afternoon, September 24 by Mr. and Mrs. I. George Heyman, members of the Synagogue in honor and celebration of the Bar Mitzvah of their son Adam. The party was catered by one of the Synagogue Caterers, Newman Brothers.

SCHEDULE OF HOLIDAY SERVICES

Succoth Eve, Friday, September 30 ..... 5:45 P.M.
1st Day *Succoth*, Saturday, October 1 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach: "The Roads to Happiness"

2nd Eve *Succoth*, Saturday, October 1 ..... 5:45 P.M.
2nd Day *Succoth*, Sunday, October 2 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach: "Koheles—His Philosophy and Outlook"

Shemini Atzereth, Friday Evening, October 7 ..... 5:45 P.M.
Shemini Atzereth, Saturday, October 8 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Yiskor Memorial Services
Rabbi Noveck will preach: "Roads to Understanding"

Simhath Torah Consecration Ceremony for new students
Saturday, October 8 ..... 5:30 P.M.
Simhath Torah, Sunday, October 9 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Honoring of Three Congregants
Saul Horowitz, Archie I. Thurman, Mrs. Sanford H. Cohen

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Daily Minyan Begins Sunday, October 9

At the suggestion of the Ritual Committee of the Park Avenue Synagogue, the Board of Trustees has decided to authorize the institution of a daily *Mincha* and *Maariv* service.

The daily *Minyan* is scheduled to take place at 6:00 P.M. It will begin on Sunday, October 9 at the end of *Simhath Torah.*

Members have been asked to attend this Service as frequently as they can.

Youth Group

By LEONARD B. STERN

Last year the Park Avenue Synagogue initiated a "Youth Group" for teenagers whose parents were members of the Synagogue. Since that time it has undergone a phenomenal growth. At present they number over one-hundred and thirty. Members of the Synagogue are invited to send their children or personally see a meeting in action. Meetings are held every Sunday from 3:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M. in the Milton Steinberg House.

The "Youth Group's" debating team, in their initial season of United Synagogue debate, faltered in their final engagement, succumbing for the championship to Queensboro Hill Jewish Center. After four recounts in scoring, a two point misnomer was uncovered which broke a tie. "Should Jewish Education for American Jewish Living Be Extended to the High School Level?" was the topic of discussion. The team was captained by Leonard B. Stern and Ted Pincus. Temple Anche Chesed was handily beaten for the Bronx-Manhattan championship.

Lorraine Buchbinder, Ted Pincus, Susan Sankel, and Leonard B. Stern represented the Youth Group of the Park Avenue Synagogue at a one week conclave at Camp Ramah at East Hampton, Connecticut. A concentrated convention it included daily seminars, discussions, debates, and Hebrew lessons. These highlighted the week's proceedings. Its aims were to revivify Hebrew culture.

Religious School News

By MARTIN LEICHTLING, *Principal*

Sunday Sessions Begin

The first session of the Primary Department of the Religious School will be held on Sunday morning, October 16 at 9:45 A.M.

Despite the necessary postponement of the opening date of this first session, the students in the Primary Department have had the privilege of joining with the students of the Hebrew Department in High Holy Day services at the Jewish Museum. These students are also invited to join in the *Succoth* services conducted by the Junior Congregation.

Registration in the Primary Department for new students between the ages of six and nine is still open. Parents are urged to call the School Office any day between 2:30 and 6:30 P.M.

Succoth Services

Special *Succoth* services will be held for the students in the Religious School at 10:00 A.M. on each of the festival mornings in the Chapel of the Milton Steinberg House.

The services, to be conducted by Mr. Irving Spielman assisted by the students, will include the ceremonial of the lulav and the esrog as well as refreshments in the *Succah.*

Hebrew Regents

Michael Slote, a student in the Religious School, received a mark of 97 per cent in the three-year Hebrew Regents examination in June 1955. This examination is conducted by the University of the State of New York for students who have studied Hebrew for three years in the high schools in New York. Michael, a student at Collegiate School, has studied Hebrew in our school and under the instruction of Mr. Alex Kaplan, of our faculty, was granted special permission to take the examination.

Congratuations to Michael for his excellent scholastic achievement.

Teacher Licensed

The Board of Education of the City of New York recently granted a permanent license as a teacher of Hebrew in the Junior High Schools to Mr. Alex Kaplan of our Religious School faculty. The Board, also, announced that Mr. Kaplan was rated first on the competitive examination offered to the candidates for the license.

Mr. Kaplan has been a most successful teacher in our school these last four years and we are happy to extend our congratulations to him.

Teachers Discuss Jewish History

A two-day seminar on "The Teaching of History in the Congregational Schools" was recently held by the teachers of five mid-Manhattan religious schools. The problems and techniques of teaching history to children of different age levels were analyzed and discussed with specific application to the teaching of Jewish history in our afternoon Hebrew schools.

The discussion leaders and discussion speakers at the Seminar were Miss Lillie Rubee, Jewish Education Committee consultant; Rabbi Jack J. Cohen, Society for the Advancement of Judaism and Martin Leichtling, principal of our Religious School. Mr. Leichtling described the modern methods of teaching history to students on the ten to fourteen year age level with emphasis on the continuity of our history in which the student finds a place for himself, as an American-Jew, in the general stream of Jewish history.

Consecration Service

Consecration Services honoring the new students who have entered the Hebrew Department of the Religious School will be held at the Synagogue Sunday evening, October 9, as part of the *Simhath Torah* service.

The students, who are enrolled in three first-year classes in Hebrew will be presented to the Rabbi by Mrs. Sigmund Siegel, Chairman of the School Board and by the Principal, Martin Leichtling. Rabbi Noveck will bless the students and give each of them a miniature *Torah* scroll and an inscribed certificate to commemorate the event. Refreshments and holiday flags will be distributed to all the students in the school who attend the services.

The following newly-enrolled students will be honored: Bram Andrews, Joel Bergman, Anthony Bourg, Beth Brown, Jeffrey Clyman, Barry Cohen, Alel Chernowitz, Abby Drukatz, Roger Einiger, Gail Fread, Harry Falkenstein, Stanley Goldring, Stephen Gore, Amy Granowitz, Simeon Grater, Seth Helpren, Steven Hulsh, Pascal Kaplan, Roger Kline, Jill Kogan, Georgia Kingson, Bruce Merrit, Scott Miller, Joseph Mishkin, Martha Obers, Samuel Paskin, Phyllis Pollner, Kenneth Perlman, Victor Sapirstein and George Shapiro.

SIMHATH TORAH HONORS

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as co-hostesses for the *Simhath Torah kiddush* and party which will follow the awards at the end of the Synagogue services.

Archie I. Thurman

Archie I. Thurman, a graduate of Boston University, a member of the Massachusetts Bar; President of the Acadia Co., Inc., cotton converters; a Vice-President of the Men's Club at its inception and during the years in that office he helped considerably in the growth of the Club. For several years he was Chairman of the Club's Theatre Party Committee and almost single handed carried the burden of that office. Since having been elected as Trustee of the Synagogue, he has served on the School Board, the Pulpit Committee and for three years was Chairman of the Ritual Committee. He was 2nd Vice-President of the Synagogue for two terms and is presently its 1st Vice-President.

For his outside activities, Mr. Thurman was Downtown Co-Chairman of his industry for the United Jewish Appeal; he is a member of the Board of the Jewish Education Committee and a Vice-President of the Hebrew High Schools of New York. He is also an Honorary Trustee of Temple Israel, Long Beach, L. I.

In addition to all of the above, one of the most important reasons for being named as "*Hathan Torah*" for the year 1955 is the fact that Mr. Thurman is in every sense of the word steeped in Jewish tradition and learning.

Mary (Mrs. Sanford H.) Cohen

Mary (Mrs. Sanford H.) Cohen has been an active, untiring, devoted and dedicated member of the board of the Sisterhood of the Park Avenue Synagogue for twenty years.

She has been one of the founders of the "Federation of Jewish Philanthropies of New York" and at their twenty-fifth anniversary in November 1942, was awarded a certificate of honor.

It is truly said of her, "What doth the Lord require of thee; only to do justly, to love mercy and to walk humbly with thy God".

She has served with distinction as Chairman of Sisterhood luncheons and as Chairman of Bazaar Canteen, as well as on many other Sisterhood committees.

She has served as one of the co-chairmen of Manhattan Organizations for United Jewish Appeal, Women's Division, as well as on many of their Committees.

She has served for three years with the Jewish Welfare Board canteen at Temple Emanu-El during the war. She also served as Chairman of the Serve-a-camp Committee, a part of the Jewish Welfare Board, for the Sisterhood, during the war.

It is with real pride and pleasure that we name this devoted and inspiring and generous woman, our Bride of the Prophetic Message for *Simhath Torah* 5716.

Saul Horowitz

Saul Horowitz, a graduate of the College of the City of New York, President of H.R.H. Construction Corporation, one of the leading construction corporations of the country.

Mr. Horowitz is one of the pioneer workers for the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies of New York, having started with that organization in 1922. He has been Division Chairman for many years, a Trustee at large in Federation from 1951 to date; he has been the over-all campaign Chairman of the 1952-1953 campaign; he is a member of the Federation Administrative Committee; and Chairman of the Federation Construction Committee, having recently erected the new Federation Building.

Mr. Horowitz is also very active in the United Jewish Appeal, being Director, a Division Chairman and a guest of honor of the Builders and Contractors Dinner in 1953. He was the guest of honor of the Builders and Contractors in 1951 for the Joint Defense Appeal. He is the Division Chairman for Israel Bonds. He is the Chairman of the Building Committee for the Albert Einstein College of Medicine. He was the Chairman of the Builders Division for 1952 for the United Hospital Fund. Mr. Horowitz is a Trustee of Park Avenue Synagogue and was the contractor who erected the Milton Steinberg House.

For all of his communal activities, his devotion to Park Avenue Synagogue and to Judaism, the Ritual Committee has nominated him as *Hathan Bereshith* for the year 1955.

Men's Club

By LOUIS I. HELLER

The first Men's Club meeting of the new year will be held on Tuesday evening, October 25. More detailed information will appear in the next issue of the BULLETIN. Meanwhile all the men of the congregation are asked to reserve the date. It is expected generally that all the Men's Club meetings will take place on the fourth Tuesday evening of the month.

Under the chairmanship of Monroe H. Heyward, the Program Committee has been planning a very interesting set of meetings for the enjoyment of all. Among the members of this committee are: David Altschul, Charles Bennet, Dr. Morris Bien, Jacob Boorstein, Harry A. Dubin, Dr. Herbert M. Felner, David Fogelson, Harvey Glassel, Benjamin Gross, Louis I. Heller, Julian Jacobs, Joseph H. Katz, Sidney R. Katz, Leon Klein, Theodore Meistrich, Armand Rosenberg, Nelson Ruttenberg, Frederick W. Scholem, Dr. Sigmund A. Siegel, Dr. Samuel J Stern, Franklin Simet, and Milton M. Sivek, Ex Officio.

Sisterhood Luncheon

By MRS. DAVID ALTSCHUL

On Tuesday, September 20, Sisterhood held its first Open Meeting of the season. Luncheon was served, followed by a social afternoon. A very enjoyable time was had by all.

Sisterhood is celebrating its Diamond Jubilee at its annual donor luncheon to be held on December 12 at the Hotel Biltmore. A gala program of entertainment is being planned for that afternoon, further details of which will be given at a later date.

The officers of the donor luncheon are as follows: Chairman, Mrs. Jacob Easton Holzman; Co-Chairman, Mrs. Solomon Green; Treasurer, Mrs. Saul Granetts; Souvenir Journal, Mrs. Tubie Resnik; Entertainment, Mrs. Louis Grossman, Mrs. Edward Peiper, Mrs. Jacob Starr; Gifts, Mrs. Edward Munves, Mrs. Samuel Wimpfheimer; Gift Books, Mrs. Mack Fieber; Hostesses, Mrs. Abraham N. Geller, Mrs. Milton Heller; Publicity, Mrs. David Altschul.

Young Marrieds Meet October 11

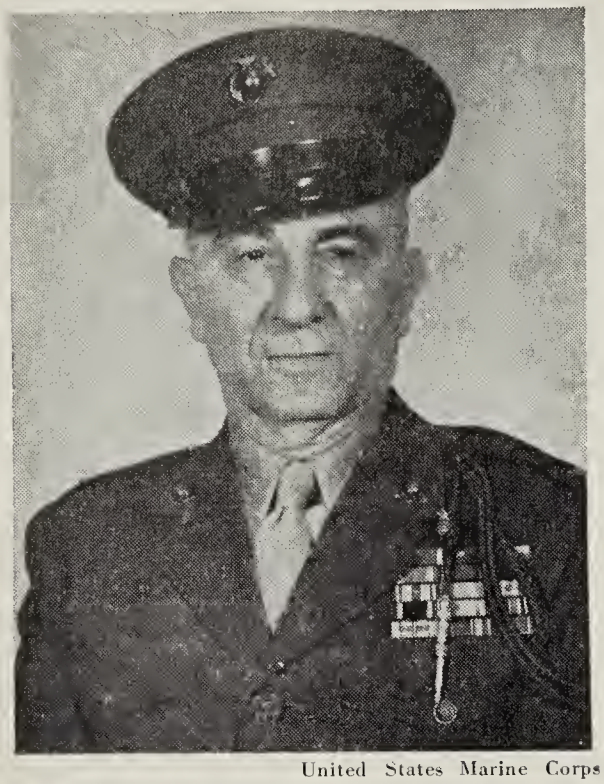
By DUDLEY GREENSTEIN

On Tuesday, October 11 at 8:30 P.M. in the Auditorium, the Young Marrieds will hold their first meeting of the season.

Back from their summer vacation, revitalized, and fresh with new ideas, they plan to discuss their program for the coming year. This will include future speakers, social affairs, and other projects which the group will undertake. It will afford the opportunity for both new and old members to meet.

All recently married and not so recently married, are cordially invited to attend.

Mrs. Grace Gilbert was designated by Mrs. William Karmiol to be in charge of the *Succoth* decorations and food.



United States Marine Corps

GENERAL MELVIN L. KRULEWITCH

Melvin L. Krulewitch, member of the Board of Trustees of Park Avenue Synagogue has been named by President Eisenhower to rank of Brigadier General in the Marine Corps Reserve.

General Krulewitch has served in the Marine Corps since World War I. He is Commanding Officer of a division staff with headquarters in New York City.

General Krulewitch has served in both World Wars and was also stationed in Korea. He holds many military medals and awards, and serves on the National Jewish Welfare Board and the 92nd Street "Y".

In congratulating General Krulewitch on his appointment, Ezra Cohen, Chairman of the Board of Trustees said: "May your service in the future continue to be as distinguished and as useful to our country as have been your achievements both in military life and in the civilian and Religious community".

In being appointed to his new rank, General Krulewitch has achieved the highest rank ever attained by any Jew in the Marine Corps Reserve.

Parents Association Executive Board will meet in the Lounge of the Park Avenue Synagogue this coming Wednesday, October 5 at 8:30 P.M.

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Synagogue to Buy New Bibles and Prayer Books

At the request of the Ritual Committee, the Board of Trustees of the Park Avenue Synagogue approved the purchase of 300 copies of the excellent Hertz Edition of the Pentateuch. As has been customary in the past, members of the Synagogue are invited to contribute if they wish towards the purchase of the Pentateuch which is used every Sabbath by worshippers during the reading of the *Torah*.

Purchases in quantity of 100 or more will have a specially prepared inscription inside the cover acknowledging the gift.

In addition, 100 copies of the Religious School Junior Congregation Prayer Books have been purchased and these Prayer Books too will be inscribed if any of our members wish to donate the purchase price of the Junior Prayer Books.

Senior League Invites Membership

The Senior League of the Park Avenue Synagogue extends a cordial invitation to all single members of the Synagogue, between the ages of 21 and 30 or to those whose parents are members to join our group.

Anyone interested in joining is requested to communicate with the President of the Senior League, Mr. Harold Kurte, 330 East 79th Street, New York City, or to call REgent 4-8195 after 6:00 P.M.

The Senior League's first open meeting of the season will be held in the Auditorium of the Synagogue, Wednesday evening, October 12, at 8:30 P.M.

Judge Gold Named to New Family Court

Justice Samuel M. Gold, member of our Congregation for several years, has been signally honored in his designation to preside in the new Family Court which has been created in the New York County Supreme Court.

The new Family Court will deal exclusively with marital problems. It will initiate a new approach to separation and divorce proceedings as well as cases involving the custody of children.

Judge Gold's exceptional patience and understanding which have been exhibited in cases involving family relations qualify him to preside over cases of this sort.

We congratulate Judge Gold upon his designation and take pride in the honor which has come to one of our esteemed members of our Congregation.

Herwitz Honored by J.E.C.

Victor Herwitz, member of the Board of Trustees of Park Avenue Synagogue has just been added to the Board of Directors of the Jewish Education Committee of New York, an agency supported by the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies devoted to the encouragement and improvement of Jewish education in New York City.

This brings to three the number of Trustees of Park Avenue Synagogue now serving and directors of the JEC. The other two Trustees who have been previously honored are Joseph Howard Katz and Archie I. Thurman.

Another Park Avenue Synagogue member who serves on the Board of Directors of the JEC is Stanley Simon.

Congratulations

Engagement of Robert Barzilay to Miss Alice Schachter.

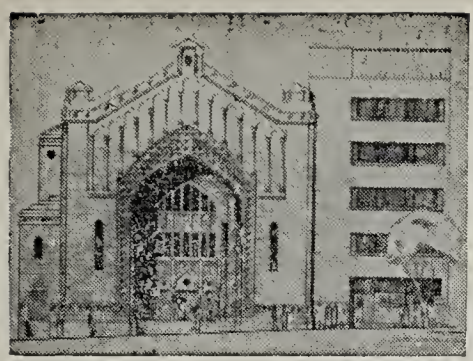
Hon. and Mrs. Abraham N. Geller —Birth of granddaughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Greenstein—Birth of son Richard Gary—and the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Greenstein.

Condolences

Jacob Boorstein—Loss of brother Morris.

L. A. Hyman—Loss of wife Peggy.



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At Synagogue October 25

SYD SKOLSKY

Sisterhood Luncheon For New Members Tuesday, October 25

By MRS. DAVID ALTSCHUL

A luncheon for the wives of new members of the Synagogue will be held by Sisterhood on Tuesday, October 25 at 12:30 P.M. in the Sisterhood Lounge under the joint auspices of Mrs. William Karmiol, President of Sisterhood, and Mrs. Harold Osserman, chairman of membership. Written invitations are being extended to all new members.

Featured in the program of entertainment to follow the luncheon will be Miss Syd Skolsky, an accomplished musician and interpreter of songs. Miss Skolsky, a graduate of Julliard, besides being a brilliant performer on the accordian and the piano, is the author of three books about music. She has made recordings for Columbia records, and has appeared on TV and radio programs. A gala afternoon is planned so that the new members may become acquainted with the activities of Sisterhood as well as spend a pleasant afternoon.

Late Friday Night Services Resume October 21 at 8:30 P.M.

On Friday evening, October 21 at 8:30 P.M., the late Friday evening Services for this season will be launched. Dr. Noveck will deliver the first of a series of sermonic discourses on GREAT JEWISH PERSONALITIES THROUGH THE AGES. This series will include such figures as Jeremiah, Josephus, Spinoza, Freud, Brandeis and Ben Gurion. In each case Dr. Noveck will discuss the philosophy and outlook of the man, his contributions to Jewish survival and to the great moral and social issues of our time.

In his first talk, Dr. Noveck will speak on the theme of "Moses and Monotheism" discussing the views of Sigmund Freud on this subject and the contributions of recent archeological discoveries on the origins of early Judaism. The discourse will also include the political and social views of Moses and his relation to the great social issues of our time.

DO NOT FORGET ! !

Sisterhood's annual donor luncheon on MONDAY, DECEMBER 12 at the Hotel Biltmore. Your help is needed to make this affair as big a success, both financially and socially, as in previous years. Get your checks and your ads in as quickly as possible.

Bon Voyage to Hazzan Putterman

Hazzan David J. Putterman is going on an extended rest trip to Israel which will be the first time that Hazzan Putterman will have visited the Holy Land.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, Harold R. Starkman, its Vice-Chairman, and for the members of the Synagogue, wishes of Bon Voyage to Hazzan Putterman and hopes for a pleasant and restful and much needed vacation.

Schedule of Services

Friday Evening, October 14 ..... 6:00 P.M.

Saturday Morning, October 15 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Peter Meltzer

Late Friday Night Services, October 21 ..... 8:30 P.M.
Rabbi Noveck will speak on: "Moses and Monotheism"

Saturday Morning, October 22 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Jack Aaronson and Michael Fleischer

Rabbi Noveck and Cantor Friedman officiating accompanied by the choir and organist.

Daily Minyan Service Every Evening
Appleman Chapel, Milton Steinberg House — 6:00 P.M.

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Sokolow Welcomes New Members

Harry J. Sokolow, Chairman of the Membership Committee formally extended his welcome to the families who we were pleased to add to our rolls for the year 1955-56. They are:

Mr. and Mrs. Irving Friedman, Mr. and Mrs. Max Schenk, Dr. and Mrs. Aaron Giat, Mr. and Mrs. James J. Liebman, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Arluck, Mr. and Mrs. Richard A. Hyman, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice M. Friedman, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Rollin, Mrs. and Mrs. Jesse Block, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Belth.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert S. Gross, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Gore, Mr. and Mrs. George Greenspan, Mrs. B. Weisberg, Mrs. Celia Miller, Mrs. Louis Rosenberg, Mrs. M. Berenstein, Hon. and Mrs. Louis Kaplan, Mr. and Mrs. Morris D. Stolz.

Mrs. Rhoda Tedoff, Mr. and Mrs. David Kaufman, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Beck, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Taffe, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Schweitzer, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. James S. Ottenberg, Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Stangel, Mrs. Sara D. Goldman, Mr. and Mrs. Abner Freidman, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Karo.

Dr. and Mrs. H. M. Felner, Mr. and Mrs. Milton J. Zorn, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Wiener, Mr. Joseph H. Young, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard H. Hutschnecker, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Rose, Dr. and Mrs. Stanley H. Greenwald, Mr. and Mrs. Mortimer Feinberg, Mr. and Mrs. Irving Weinstein, Mr. and Mrs. David Druckman, Mr. and Mrs. Max I. Schleifer.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Fox, Mr. and Mrs. George Shapiro, Mrs. Rose Goldberg, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Markowitz, Mr. and Mrs. Max Borgenicht, Mr. and Mrs. Saul Mehlman, Dr. and Mrs. Louis Linn, Mr. and Mrs. Newton Glekel, Mr. and Mrs. Julius H. Golding, Mr. and Mrs. Eric Stiebel.

Dr. and Mrs. Albert Cornell, Mr. and Mrs. Emery Karman, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Rosen, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Goldey, Miss Gertrude Goller, Mrs. Amalia Schenker, Dr. and Mrs. Sidney Goldensohn, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rubin, Miss Elinor Rohrlich,Mr. and Mrs. Norman Leventhal, and Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Peltz.

Religious School News

By MARTIN LEICHTLING, Principal

Junior Congregation Services Begin October 15

The students of the Religious School will hold their opening *Sabbath* morning service on October 15, 1955. These services will be held at the conclusion of the regular Saturday morning classes of the Hebrew Department.

Congregational worship is a major feature of our educational program. On Saturday morning we have two Junior Congregation services for the students in the school. The three entering-classes in the Hebrew Department conduct a service for students who are beginning their study of Hebrew this year. The students in the upper grades of the school have their own congregational services.

Class V has planned a special class project based upon the Friday Night service in the main synagogue during the latter part of the school year.

Primary Department to Open Sunday, October 16

The first session of the Primary Department will be held on Sunday morning, October 16 at 9:45 A.M. Postcards have been mailed to each of the students who are registered in the shool.

Registration in the Primary Department will end on October 31. Parents of children, between the ages of six and nine, are urged to call the School Office between 2:30 and 6:30 P.M. to enroll their children.

Students Visit Israel

Leona Giat, a student in a class 5, and Eugene Roth Jr., a post-confirmand who has continued his Hebrew studies in our school, spent a major portion of the summer visiting in Israel. Eugene traveled with a group of New York City high school students and Leona accompanied her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Aaron Giat.

Eugene and Leona speak in glowing terms of their experiences and their pride in the accomplishments of the State of Israel.

New Hebrew Students

The Religious School is proud to announce that the following entering-students in the Hebrew Department were honored at *Simhath Torah* services. Each of the students received a small *Torah* scroll and a Consecration certificate to commemorate the event.

In addition to the names listed in the last issue of the BULLETIN, we record: Aronson, Leonard; Bien, Ralph; Burbel, Ruth; Friedman, David; Gemski, Emanuel; Gemski, Jerry; Gore, Laura; Greenfield, Robert; Halpern, Jimmy; Kaiser, Jerome; Karpf, David, Kaufman,, Sonya I.; Nemeroff, Bernard; Nussbaum, Susan; Shapiro, Sheryl Iva; Schore, Joel; Sherr, Rita.

Bar Mitzvah Requirements Re-Stated

Bar Mitzvah and Bat Mitzvah for both boys and girls occurs at the age of 13.

In addition to the preparation for the Bar Mitzvah ceremony, the Religious School teaches the candidate what it means to be Bar Mitzvah. He studies the Hebrew language: he participates in worship; he learns some essential facts about our peoples's faith and history; he begins to appreciate the Bible; and, in general, he cultivates an understanding of the contributions of the Jew and of Judaism to world civilization. Secure in this knowledge, he can then hope to assume his role as a Jew in the American-Jewish Community.

With a full recognition of the importance of Jewish education as a prerequisite of Bar Mitzvah, the Park Avenue Synagogue adopted, a number of years ago, the recommendation of the United Synagogue Commission on Education that a *minimum* of three years of instruction in the Hebrew Department of the school is necessary for Bar Mitzvah and Bat Mitzvah in our Synagogue.

Senior League Cocktail Party Sunday, October 30

Senior League is sponsoring a membership cocktail party Sunday afternoon, October 30 at 3:00 P.M. in the lounge of the Milton Steinberg House. All members between the ages of twenty-one to thirty who desire to attend are requested to inform the President of the Senior League, Mr. Harold Kurte, in writing in care of the synagogue.

The first open meeting of the Senior League was held on Wednesday evening, October 12 in the synagogue auditorium. Rabbi Noveck spoke on the topic "Psychiatry and Religion Are They Compatible?"

Tuesday, October 25 at Men's Club

"SLYDINI" THE MAGICIAN

"Is There A Jewish Vote?" And A Magician Too! Tuesday, October 25

By LOUIS HELLER

The Opening Meeting of the Men's Club will take place on Tuesday evening, October 25. While the main emphasis of the program will be one of sociability and relaxation, a short symposium on the topic "Is There a Jewish Vote?" will be held.

Nathan B. Kogan will present the affirmative view and Harvey Glasser will express the opposing opinion. Monroe H. Heyward will act as moderator, and there will be a brief discussion period following.

It is hoped that all men in the congregation, whether members of the Men's Club or not, will attend this meeting with their friends. In addition to the above, a rare treat is in store in the presence of that international favorite "Slydini", the magician. This master of legerdemain will amaze and thrill everyone.

But, that is not all that is planned. There will be other surprises as well, and even special refreshments. So—— men, come down and see for yourselves on Tuesday, October 25, starting at 8:30 P.M.; and be sure to bring your friends. They will enjoy it too!

Milton Sivek is Men's Club President.

Program Planned by Parents Association

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

At the first meeting of its Executive Board, the Parents Association outlined plans for a very active season.

Its ambitious program will begin with a luncheon in the Auditorium on Tuesday, November 1, at 12:45 P.M. in honor of mothers of children who are entering the Religious School for the first time. The Executive Board looks forward with pleasure to greeting all new comers.

Mrs. Hector Ritey, Chairman, and Mrs. J. Rubinstein and Mrs. George Heyman, Co-Chairmen, are planning an interesting program to take place following the luncheon. This will afford a splendid opportunity to all new mothers to meet the Parents group and to learn of its activities.

Again this year, in November, the Parents Association will conduct the Book Fair under the supervision of Mrs. Leon Klein, as Chairman. This will feature an exhibit of books on Jewish life and thought as well as record albums on Jewish music.

The first open meeting of the Parents Association in November will be an orientation meeting at which teachers of the Religious School will be present to meet the parents. Arrangements are being made to have an outstanding lecturer on that occasion.

On Sunday evening, December 11, the Parents Association will conduct the annual Chanukah party for the entire membership of the Synagogue. Mrs. Hector Ritey, who has been designated Chairman of this affair, together with Mrs. A Stangel and Mrs. A. Schoenbaum, her Co-Chairmen, are planning a gala function.

The Class Mothers of the Religious School will supervise a *Kiddush* ceremony every other Saturday at the conclusion of the Junior service. They also plan to have class room parties for the children in celebration of the various holidays. Further details of these events will appear in subsequent issues of the BULLETIN.

Hosiery History Traced

Book Review

Milton N. Grass, a member of the Park Avenue Synagogue, is the author of a new fall book which traces the development of the dress of man and the origin of hosiery from prehistoric to modern times. Entitled, *History of Hosiery*, it is being published by Fairchild Publications, who describe the book as "a labor of love, representing many years of research in this country and abroad."

Especially interesting is the fact that Mr. Grass has woven into his documentary many Biblical references to the early practice of weaving and spinning. In tracing the origin of clothing, he has contrasted the concepts of mythology, science, and the Bible. He also points out that the Hebrews. unlike other ancient peoples who credited pagan deities with speciefic crafts, remained true to monotheism, even in this instance. They attributed their skills "in all manner of workmanship" to "Our Lord, Our God."

RABBI SIMON NOVECK

Youth Activities

By HYMAN R. SANKEL
Youth Activities Director

The Youth Activities Division is now in full swing. The committee has planned an interesting and varied program with wide appeal to children of every age from 7 to 17. A well qualified staff of leaders has been selected to direct them. The following chart will help you to guide your children into some club or activity. We hope members will take advantage of these facilities.

Sunday
3:00 to 5:00
Teen Agers
Age 13-17
Social, cultural and athletic program

Tuesday
3:00 to 6:00
Dramatics
Boys and Girls
7 to 13

Thursday
3:30 to 5:30
Game Room
Boys and Girls
All Ages

Monday
3:30 to 5:30
Game Room
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Wednesday
3:30 to 6:00
Arts and Crafts
Boys and Girls
Age 7 to 13

Friday
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Boys

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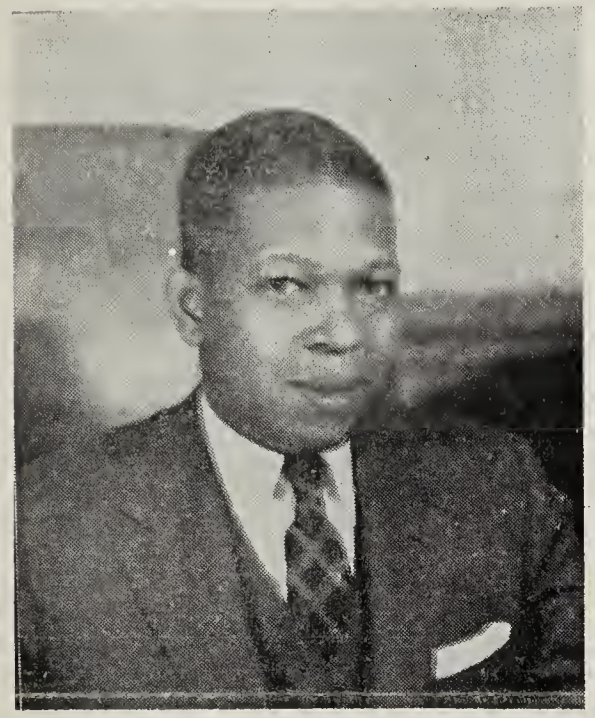

BORO. PRES. HULAN JACK

Borough President Jack Addresses Sisterhood October 18

By MRS. DAVID ALTSCHUL

The Sisterhood of the Park Avenue Synagogue has begun a series of lectures and discussions around the New York City topic of "Know Your City."

Mr. Hulan Jack, Borough President of the Borough of Manhattan has consented to be the guest speaker at the opening series of the series.

The Sisterhood's meeting is open to all women whether they are members of the Synagogue or not. The meeting is preceded by a dessert luncheon which begins at 12:30 P.M. to which all are invited and for which there is no fee. Following the short business session, Mr. Jack will deliver his remarks.

Sisterhood Sews Every Wednesday Morning

The Sewing Group of the Sisterhood of the Park Avenue Synagogue resumed its regular Wednesday activities of sewing for charitable and community purposes.

The Sewing Group meets at 10:30 A.M. and after a recess for lunch continues until 3:00 P.M.

Adult Education Courses Begin Monday, Oct. 31st

The regular adult education classes for the coming year will begin on Monday evening, October 31. The main lecture series this year, starting at 9:00 P.M. and continuing for seven successive Monday nights, will deal with the theme "FAITHS MEN LIVE BY." Outstanding speakers will discuss topics as "The Future of Zionism in America" and the ideological foundations of major Jewish organizations such as the American Jewish Committee, American Jewish Congress, etc.

At 8:00 P.M. there will be a choice of classes including "The Book of Job" to be given by Dr. Arthur Hyman, and elementary, intermediate and advanced Hebrew. A special course on "American Jewish Family Life in the Mid-Twentieth Century" is also to be given by Dr. Sidney Kosofsky, a former rabbi and now a practicing psychologist.

Further details about these courses will be submitted for the next issue of the BULLETIN.

Saul Godwin is Chairman of the Adult Education Committee.

Frankel-Shipley Wedding in Synagogue

The Park Avenue Synagogue is pleased to announce that Linda Sue Frankel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Frankel, members of the Synagogue and granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Rentner, member of the Advisory Council of the Park Avenue Synagogue, is being married at our Synagogue on Friday afternoon, October 14 to Thorne Shipley of New York.

Congratulations

Dr. and Mrs. Harold Osserman—30th Wedding Anniversary—October 1.

Hon. and Mrs. Nathaniel Goldstein—Engagement of daughter Lois Elaine to Jerome Lowenstein.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Meltzer—Birth of grandson.

"Button, Button, Who's Got The Homburg"?

It all started innocently enough. Eddie Kaye, one of the members of the Advisory Council of Park Avenue Synagogue, during the High Holidays reported that his brand new Homburg without initials, just arrived from Cavanough's somehow seems to be misplaced. When the Holiday was over there was still no sign of the Homburg. Then somehow, there appeared a spare Homburg just like Eddie Kaye's with the initials marked F.E.H. so we pursued this hot lead to one of our members named Frank E. Howard, who it turns out had among his hat boxes an empty hat box because last year—not this one, he couldn't find his Homburg after the High Holidays. So of course Mr. Howard's Homburg is now on its way to rejoin his family of hats after a one year of absence. However, Mr. Howard finds now that he has a brown Homburg which doesn't belong to him without initials and is on its way back to the Synagogue.

But who has Eddie Kaye's hat?

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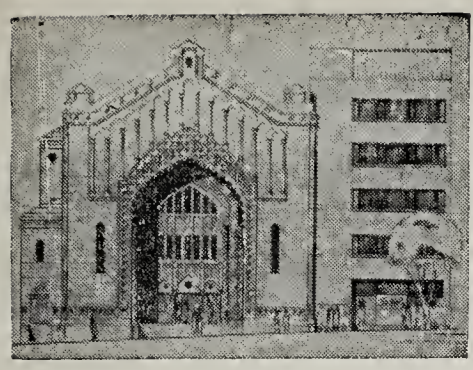

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Would You Like a West Point Cadet For Dinner?

As your guest, that is. Through the sponsorship of the Men's Club of the Park Avenue Synagogue, the Jewish Choir consisting of cadets at the West Point Military Academy, is going to assist in the late Friday evening services on Friday, December 9.

While the Men's Club felt that it would be easy and simple to arrange for a dinner out that evening for the 32 members of the Jewish Choir, Milton Sivek, the Men's Club President, nevertheless believes that our membership would prefer to act as hosts and hostesses in their own homes and entertain at dinner one or more of the Jewish West Point cadets directly prior to their appearance at the Synagogue that evening.

The cadets arrive at the Synagogue at 6:00 P.M. for a quick short on-the-scene rehearsal by Cantor Putterman. With the promptness which characterizes their work, you can be assured that the cadet or cadets who would be assigned to you upon your request, would arrive at your home no later than 7 P.M. However they must be back at the Synagogue at 8:15 but that should not be too difficult.

There are only 32 cadets to divide amongst all of our members. We are sure there are many eager and willing hosts and hostesses. This hospitality is in the best Jewish tradition.

The cadets will appreciate the hospitality of our members and we are equally certain that those whose homes they will grace will find the Jewish West Point cadets young men of interest.

To make your arrangements, please call Sidney R. Katz, Executive Director during the daytime at ENright 9-2600, the Synagogue office. This does not include overnight accommodations which is being provided for them by the Men's Club at a nearby hotel.

Dr. Syrkin Speaks Friday Evening, October 28th

Dr. Marie Syrkin, noted educator and writer, will be the guest speaker at the Friday evening service on October 28, sponsored by the Committee on Adult Education. She will speak from the pulpit on AMERICAN JEWRY AND THE STATE OF ISRAEL.

DR. MARIE SYRKIN

Dr. Syrkin has frequently visited Israel. She is the author of "Your School —Your Children" and "Blessed is the Match: The Story of Jewish Resistance." She is now Associate Editor of the JEWISH FRONTIER, Anglo-Jewish publication of the Labor Zionist Movement and is a contributor to many periodicals. She appeared regularly as a member of a weekly symposium on THE ETERNAL LIGHT radio program during the summer of 1949. In 1950 she was a lecturer in the Department of Humanities at Brandeis University in Waltham, Massachusetts.

On Friday, November 4, Doctor Noveck will deliver the second of his sermonic discourses on GREAT PERSONALITIES THROUGH THE AGES. He will talk on JEREMIAH, PROPHET OF SORROWS, discussing the meaning of the Prophet's message for modern times.

Schedule of Services

Friday Night, October 28 ..... 8:30 P.M.
Saturday Morning, October 29 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Sanford Bilsky

Friday Night November 4 ..... 8:30 P.M.
Saturday Morning, November 5 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Fred Sapirstein

Rabbi Noveck and Cantor Friedman officiating
accompanied by the choir and organist.

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From the Desk of the Executive Director

Before the High Holidays becomes a memory one feels impelled to record a few observations of his first High Holiday experience at our Synagogue.

The Services of course were all the fine things that our members and friends had lead me to believe it to be. There was dignity, solemnity and an atmosphere conducive to prayer and introspection.

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Preparations for the High Holidays demonstrated the enormity of our Congregation and the multitude of problems involved in satisfying in so far as it was humanly possible the requirements of our members, their families, and yes, even some of their friends as well as last minute visitors from out-of-town. Fortunately, there were not many in the latter catagories.

Patience and forbearance is perhaps the best way to characterize the kindness and thoughtfulness with which most members presented to the Synagogue their requests for seat changes or other adjustments. Complying with these requests no matter how nicely they are put is probably one of the most difficult administrative matters in the conduct of the affairs of the Synagogue. For those whose requests we were unable to satisfy, our public thanks and appreciation. And this is said without in any way wishing to invite requests,—seat adjustments, if asked for at an early date are sometimes just a bit easier to handle than a request for a change which comes almost with the blowing of the New Year *Shofar*.

Many of our members will undoubtedly be glad to know that the fame and renown of the Park Avenue Synagogue is such that, (at least so it seems to me) almost everyone who is stranded in New York during the High Holidays feels that they would love to attend Services at our Synagogue. Some of these requests we found it possible to accommodate such as a girl from Barnard whose daddy just landed in New York from Europe on his way back to Oklahoma . . . the business man who just got off the boat from South Africa . . . the lady from Jacksonville who just couldn't be stranded in New York without hearing Cantor Putterman . . . the woman from Boston who showed us she had a ticket for Services there but couldn't arrange to get back to Boston . . . and a host of others.

What is particularly nice when this is all over is to be able to quote from some of the letters (many of which came with token contributions). "I was alone in the city and it was wonderful of you to let me share the warmth and comfort of your Religious Service. This was one of the more memorable experiences of my life." . . .

"Dr. B. and I would like to thank you and the Synagogue again for extending us your hospitality during the Holiday season. In appreciation we are perhaps giving more than we can afford but less than we would like to give to the Synagogue." . . .

"My appreciation for your cooperation in providing a seat for my son who just came back from the army." . . .

We know that our members who contribute so as to make this Synagogue possible are glad that we can in our small way bring a measure of joy to the stranger within our midst.

SIDNEY R. KATZ

ELMER CARTER

Condolences

Mrs. Jerome Konheim—Loss of brother Nat Raizen.

Mrs. Dina Lyon—Loss of husband Max Lyon.

Carter to Address Young Married Nov. 8th

On Tuesday evening, November 8, the Young Marrieds will hold their next meeting. They will present as their guest speaker, Commissioner Elmer Carter. Mr. Carter has headed the State Commission against discrimination since 1945 when the passage of the Ives-Quinn bill created the commission.

As a distinguished graduate of Harvard, Mr. Carter has had multifarious experience in civic affairs. He is on the Executive Board of the Greater New York Council of Boy Scouts. He has worked as an Executive of the Urban League. During the war years, he was a member of the New York State War Council. He is a director of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

The Young Marrieds feel that the November meeting will prove to be one of the most outstanding they've had. They look forward to many other such interesting meetings and hope that anyone interested in joining the group or hearing Commissioner Carter will attend.

Minyan Beginning to Take Hold

Jacob Klein, Synagogue President, who has been very dutifully sponsoring and attending the Synagogue Daily *Minyan* at 6:00 P.M. every evening along with a few other stalwarts is beginning to feel encouraged by the attendance at the *Minyan*.

Mr. Klein indicated that so far every evening we have managed to get the requisite minimum number of ten males plus a few additional persons now and then. However, Mr. Klein wishes to urge through the BULLETIN that all persons interested in the *Minyan* had not relaxed their vigilance and that those who have not attended should make every effort to do so.

Congratulations

Marriage of Robert Barzilay to Alice Schachter.

Mr. and Mrs. George Ringler—Birth of granddaughter.

Wives of New Members Feted by Sisterhood

MONDAY, DECEMBER 12 is the date to remember! Luncheon and entertainment at the Hotel Biltmore at Sisterhood's annual donor luncheon.

At Sisterhood's Open Meeting held on Tuesday, October 18, the principal speaker was the Honorable Hulan Jack, Borough President of Manhattan. He delivered the opening lecture in the series, "Know Your City."

A luncheon for the wives of new members of Synagogue was held on Tuesday, October 25 in the Sisterhood Lounge under the joint auspices of Mrs. William Karmiol, President of Sisterhood, and Mrs. Harold Osserman, chairman of membership. Entertainment following the luncheon was by Miss Syd Skolsky, musician and interpreter of songs.

Youth Activities News

Teen-Agers

The Teen-Agers are developing a comprehensive program of religious, cultural and social activities. Committees were appointed by Doris Wimpfheimer, Teen-Age President and plans were drawn up. The first social event of the year will be a dance to be held in the Synagogue on Saturday, October 29 at 8:00 P.M. Admission is free to club members and teen age children of Synagogue members. Tickets may be procured in th Youth Activities Office.

Plans for Future

Tentative plans include a Friday Night Service in the Synagogue, Thanksgiving party, *Hannukah* program and athletic events with neighboring synagogues. Membership is still open. Meetings take place Sunday afternoon at 3:00 P.M.

Scout Function

A joint meeting of Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts is being planned for November 10 at which time the Men's Club will present a Cub Scout and United States flag to the Troops. Refreshments will be served. Parents are invited.

Talented in Arts

The Arts and Crafts group which meets Wednesday afternoons is planning an exhibit of the work of its members. Many of the art products reveal a high degree of creativity in our children.

School News

"World Over," a Magazine for Boys and Girls, is received by children of our religious school from the nd of October to the middle of May. So important a place does this excellent magazine occupy in the curriculum that the attention of parents is called to it here for the purpose of obtaining their assistance in getting it read regularly.

World Over meets supremely well the need of inducting the child into Jewish life and affairs the world over. Beautifully and skillfully edited, it contains news items, biographical and historical data of current interest, stories, articles, games, cartoons, puzzles—all that a children's magazine ought to be. Long wanted, here it is—eagerly read by many of our children and appreciated by many. Parents can help by reading it themselves and bringing home and school close together.

World Over rests upon the peragogical theory that Jewish life today, as in ages past, is a reservoir of values upon which the individual draws for guidance, inspiration, and enjoyment. Judaism, we say, is a way of life which had its beginning long ago and far away but leads to our own land and time. World Over is more than so much pleasant extra-curricular home-reading; it represents one of the principal aims and objectives of our School, namely, initiatian for the purpose of ultimate participation into the precious ways of living, thinking and believing of a particular people — the Jews — "your child's people."

United Synagogue Awards

The Metropolitan Council of the United Synagogue has announced that Achievement Awards for the school year 1954-1955 have been granted to the following students:

FIRST YEAR: — Donald Bachman, Peter Berglass, Elliot Bien, Stephen Feig, Pamala Foa, Rose Forster, Richard Gerard, Willa Grauer, Joan Helpern, Carol Hoexter, Joan Hoexter, Jane Jacob, Phyllis Mishkin, Diana Reeve, Richard Rubin, Irene Steiner, Gerald Stiebel, Lillian Weiner.

SECOND YEAR:—Jonathan Charnas, Peggy Crain, Richard Danzig, Tomi Deutsch, Stephen Dell, Elisa Kaufman, Bruce Kogan, Jeffrey Mehlman, Jonathan Ostriker, Daniel Ritey, Eric Shullman, Richard Weisberg.

THIRD YEAR:—Stephen Feig, Inez Fields, Joel Grantz, Charles Kaiser, Randall Weingraten.

FOURTH YEAR:—Phyllis Brody, Leona Giat, John Stangel, Jon Waldman, Elliot Zucker.

Men's Club Presents Flags, Plans "Ladies Night", Invites West Point Choir

With the new season off to a good start at the first meeting, the Men's Club has a few special events coming up during the next several weeks.

First is the presentation on Thursday, November 10, of an American flag and a Cub Scout flag to the Cub Scout Troop of the Synagogue. This will take place in the Lemberg Auditorium during the program which starts at 7:30 P.M.

Second is the regular November meeting of the Men's Club on Tuesday, November 22. This will be the ever popular "Ladies Night" when the members bring their ladies for an evening of entertainment and sociability.

The third date to mark down is Men's Club Sabbath on Friday, December 9. A treat is in store as the West Point Jewish Chapel Choir will conduct the Sabbath service in conjunction with Cantor Putterman and the Synagogue Choir. This group, which makes only two appearances away from West Point during the year consists of about 30 Jewish cadets who appear in their dress uniform.

More information on these last two events will appear in future issues of the BULLETIN. Plan to be present.

LOUIS I. HELLER

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Boys

THREE DATES TO REMEMBER

FRIDAY NIGHT, DECEMBER 9
8:30 P.M.

West Point Choir will officiate along with Rabbi Noveck and Cantor Putterman at the late Friday evening Serivce under the sponsorship of the Men's Club of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

SUNDAY NIGHT, DECEMBER 11

Chanukah party of the Park Avenue Synagogue sponsored by the Synagogue and arranged by the Parents Association of the Religious School to be held in the Lemberg Auditorium of the Synagogue.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 12

Sisterhood Annual Donor Luncheon to be held at the Hotel Biltmore. This is a major Synagogue event of the Sisterhood.

Zionist Symposium Marks Adult Education Opening

On Monday evening, November 7, the official adult education program of the Park Avenue Synagogue will be inaugurated with an exciting symposium in which representatives of the three major Zionist parties will participate. Speaking on the theme THE FUTURE OF ZIONISM IN AMERICA, Dr. Harry Freedman will present the point of view of Mizrachi, the Orthodox wing of American Zionism, Dr. Paul Riebenfeld, the general Zionists' views and Mr. Jacob Katzman will articulate the point of view of the Labor Zionist Organization of America.

Dr. Simon Noveck will serve as moderator of the symposium which will deal not only with the attitudes of the three groups toward Israel, but their viewpoints on the American Jewish community and other controversial issues.

Dr. Harry Freedman is President of Tisereth Mizrachi of Bensonhurst; member of the National Zaad Hapoel and former president of Mizrachi of Australia. Dr. Riebenfeld, a member of the Park Avenue Synagogue is a member of the National Executive of the Zionist Organization of America, former Zionist representative to the League of Nations and member of the Board of Deputy Jews.

Adult Education Classes to Begin Monday Evening, November 7.

The Committee on Adult Education, under the chairmanship of Saul Godwin, has planned a very stimulating and exciing adult program for the Park Avenue Synagogue for the coming year. Classes will begin on Monday, November 7. Among the courses to be given are the following:

8 P.M.
American Jewish Family in the Mid-Twentieth Century

—DR. SIDNEY KOSOFSKY

This course was carefully planned by a special committee consisting of Saul Godwin, Dr. Bertha Gold, Howard Kieval, Dr. Hector Ritey and Dr. Jesse Zizmor, who met with Dr. Noveck and Dr. Sidney Kosofsky to arrange a course that that will meet the needs of the members of our Synagogue.

Dr. Kosofsky, a former rabbi and now a practicing psychologist is coming in from Trenton, N. J., specifically to give this course. The series of lectures on AMERICAN JEWISH FAMILY LIFE IN THE MID-TWENTIETH CENTURY are designed to explore the relevance of traditional Jewish values to present day Jewish family living. The first lecture will deal with *The Problem*: Is there anything distinctive about the Jewish family?

The Book of Job

—DR. ARTHUR HYMAN

This course will include an intensive study of the Biblical text of the Book of Job and will deal with the fundamental religious and ethical problems raised by the Book. It will consider them as part of our Hebrew Bible as well as part of the totality of human literature. The first lecture will deal with The Book of Job in Jewish and World Literature; its background, setting and style.

Dr. Arthur Hyman, who has given courses in our adult education program previously, holds a doctorate in Jewish philosophy from Harvard University and is a graduate of the rabbinical department of the Jewish Theological Seminary. For the past several years he has been a member of the faculty in the departments of Jewish History and Religion at the Teachers' Institute and Seminary College of the Jewish Theological Seminary.

Simultaneously at 8 P.M. courses in *Elementary, Intermediate* and *Advanced Hebrew* will be held.

9 P.M.—Major Lecture Series
Faiths Jews Live By

This will be a series of discussions on the philosophies of Jewish survival current in the American Jewish community at the present time, which will be given by Dr. Simon Noveck and guest lecturers. The point of view of each ideology on the nature of the Jewish community, the role of religion in the life of the Jew, the goal of Jewish community relations, the relationship of American Jewry to Israel and other controversial issues will be considered.

The first session will be in the form of a symposium on the theme THE FUTURE OF ZIONISM IN AMERICA. Dr. Harry Freedman, Dr. Paul Riebenfeld and Mr. Jacob Katzman will be the speakers and Dr. Noveck will be the moderator.

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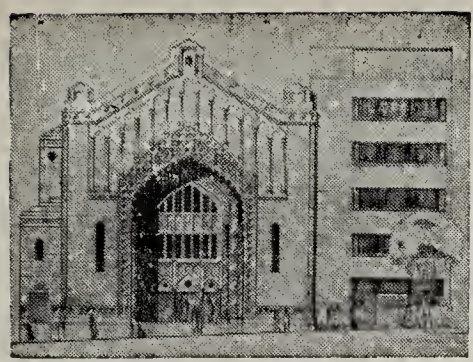

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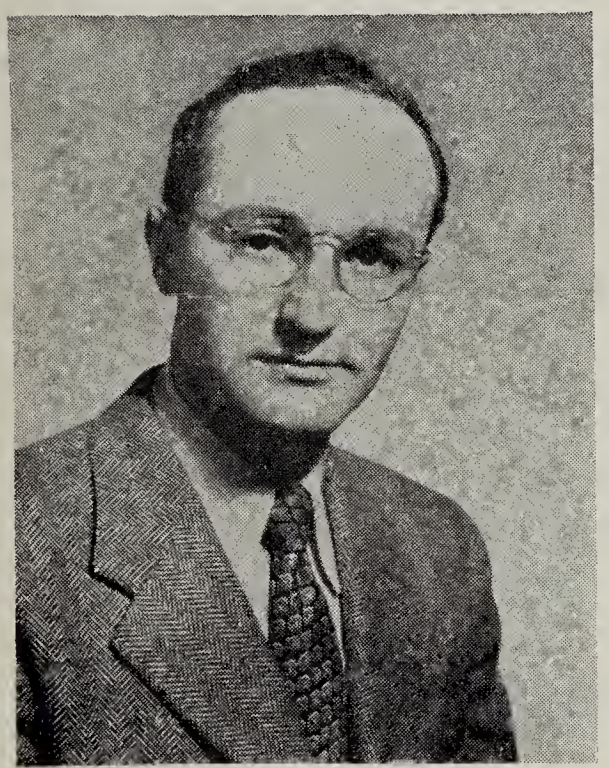

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Major Jewish Agencies Represented in Adult Education Series

The philosophies of Jewish living of the major national agencies will be considered during the next three sessions of the adult education program of the Synagogue. On Monday, November 14, Mr. Milton Himmelfarb will deal with "The Ideological Foundations of the American Jewish Committee"; on Monday, November 21, Mr. Isaac Toubin will speak on behalf of the American Jewish Congress; and on November 28 Rabbi Arthur Gilbert will talk on behalf of the B'nai B'rith.

The purpose of these presentations will not be to consider the practical program of each agency, but rather the underlying premise and ideology of the group. Among the questions to be considered will be: Is there a Jewish community in America? What features of Jewish community life need to be changed? What should be the relationship of American Jewry to the State of Israel? Is unity in

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Friday Evening Sermonic Discourses Continue

On Friday evening, November 11, Dr. Noveck, continuing the series on GREAT JEWISH PERSONALITIES THROUGH THE AGES, will deal with the life and philosophy of Philo, the famous Hellenistic Jewish philosopher.

Visit BOOK FAIR
at Synagogue Beginning
Sunday, November 27
Sponsored by Parents Association

Dr. Noveck will trace the rise of Hellenism and its influence on Jewish thought as a background to the writings of Philo. He will discuss Philo's interpretation of the Torah, his theological and philosophical views, and deal also with his political theory. During the course of his talk Rabbi Noveck will review the biography of Philo by Norman Bentwich, as well as the two volume study of Philo by Professor Harry Wolfson, indicating the influence of Philo on western thought down to Spinoza and our own times.

The life and times of Rabbi Hillel, Akiba and the great sages of the Talmud will be the subject of Dr. Noveck's talk on Friday evening, November 18. He will deal with the social philosophy of the Rabbinic Age and the relevance of these teachings for our own time.

American Jewish Congress

ISAAC TOUBIN

U.J.A. Benefit

Night of Stars Monday, November 21, Madison Square Garden.

The public is invited to participate.

Schedule of Services

Friday Evening, November 11 ..... 8:30 P.M.
Dr. Noveck will speak on "Philo-Judaism and Hellenism"

Saturday Morning, November 12 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of David Reichman

Friday Evening, November 18 ..... 8:30 P.M.
Dr. Noveck will speak on "Akiba Ben Joseph"

Saturday Morning, November 19 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Michael Kogan

Daily Minyan Service Every Evening
Appleman Chapel, Milton Steinberg House — 6:00 P.M.

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Albert Einstein Medical School Dedicated

The recent dedication of the Albert Einstein College of Medicine of Yeshiva University was a matter of national significance.

This new medical school is the first medical school to be established in the United States under Jewish auspices. In fact, it is the first new medical school that has been started in New York State in nearly sixty years.

Although founded under Jewish auspices, the new school is non-denominational. Both students and faculty are selected on the basis of scholarship, character and ability, without regard to race, creed, or national origin. The fifty-six students who were admitted last month to the first class at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine are from widely varying racial and religious groups and from all parts of this country and abroad. As Marcus D. Kogel, former Commissioner of Hospitals of the City of New York, and dean of the College, has said, students are expected to have "a background of broad liberal education as a safeguard against irrational prejudices and suspicions of other races and cultures".

At the dedicatory ceremonies, former State Attorney General Nathaniel L. Goldstein, chairman of the board of overseers of the college, and a member of our Synagogue, read a message from President Eisenhower, in which the Chief Executive said: "The dedication of this new medical college is of vital significance for the health and welfare of the nation. This increase in the nation's medical teaching facilities is particularly welcome in the face of the mounting health needs of a fast growing, longer living population and the ever-expanding opportunities presented by the medical gains of the last several decades".

Religious Holiday Observances in Public Schools?

The Joint Commission on Social Action of the United Synagogue of America in a memorandum issued last week reminded its congregations of the stand of the Conservative movement and in general of the organized Jewish community in strong opposition to the observance of religious practices in public schools.

The approaching Christmas and Chanukah observances focus attention on these problems. The essence of the position which the Conservative movement supports states that: "the maintenance and furtherance of religion are the responsibility of the synagogue, the church, and the home, and not of the public school system, the time, facilities, funds, or personnel of which should not be utilized for religious purposes", according to a resolution adopted more than five years ago and currently reaffirmed by the Synagogue Council of America. That resolution maintains that such a program "constitutes a violation of the traditional American principle of the separation of church and state".

The position taken also states: "Joint religious observances such as Christmas-Chanukah and Easter-Passover, are in our opinion no less a breach of the principle of separation of church and state and violate the conscience of many religious persons, Jews and Christians alike".

The United Synagogue nevertheless underlines this point, namely, that if one is faced with that kind of problem in our community before taking any action we should consult with the Joint Commission on Social Action of the United Synagogue of America, which incidentally is devoting one of its seminars at the forthcoming November Convention to this specific subject.

Nominating Committee Appointed

Before leaving for his trip to Europe, Mr. Ezra Cohen, Chairman of the Board of Trustees appointed a Nominating Committee to present a slate of Officers and some Trustees for the forthcoming calendar year. The Committee consists of Nelson Ruttenberg, Chairman, Harry Halbren, Dr. Harold Osserman, Harry J. Sokolow and Dr. Seymour Wimpfheimer.

United Synagogue Convenes Important Sessions

Honorable Simon Sobeloff, Solicitor General of the United States, Dr. Israel Goldstein, Rabbi of B'nai Jeshurun, New York City and President of the American Jewish Congress, and Dr. Louis Finkelstein, Chancellor of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America will be the keynote speakers at the forthcoming National Biennial Convention of The United Synagogue of America, it was announced by George Maislen, Convention Chairman.

More than 1000 delegates are expected to be at the Convention, which will be held at the Concord Hotel, Kiamesha Lake, New York, from November 13 to 17, to hear Judge Sobeloff on "Standards in Jewish Life" at the opening banquet, Sunday evening. Dr. Goldstein will speak on "The Role of the Synagogue in Community Relations." Dr. Finkelstein will speak on the theme of the Convention; "Creating A Climate for Jewish Living".

Another convention speaker is Israel B. Oseas, National vice-president of The United Synagogue, and member of the Board of Trustees of Park Avenue Synagogue.

Ezra Cohen, Chairman of the Board of Trustees named the following persons to represent the Park Avenue Synagogue at the forthcoming United Synagogue Convention. They are: Rabbi Simon Noveck, Cantor David J. Putterman, Mr. Sol Green, Chairman of the Ritual Committee and Mr. Sidney R. Katz, Executive Director.

In addition to Synagogue delegates, Mrs. Sol Green will represent the Sisterhood of Park Avenue Synagogue and is also planning to attend special sessions at the Convention on Adult Education.

Joseph L. Lubin Reports On Welfare Fund

At the October meeting of the Board of Trustees, Mr. Joseph I. Lubin, member of the Board and of the Park Avenue Synagogue Welfare Fund, presented a detailed report of the activities of the Park Avenue Synagogue Welfare Fund. The Board of Trustees was given a detailed analysis of the income and disbursements for a better than five year period and the report was unanimously accepted with thanks and appreciation.

School News

By MARTIN LEICHTLING

Attendance Awards

The Metropolitan Council of the United Synagogue has announced that Attendance Awards for the school year 1954-1955 have been granted to the following students:

FIRST YEAR:—David Benevy, Wendy Gluckman, Irene Klein, Harvey Kohn, Edward Kreps, Stanley Kurzweil, Sanford Pearlman, George Pollack, Sheldon Steinbeck, Jonathan Stowe.

SECOND YEAR:—Richard Danzig, Stephen Dell, Charles Meyers, Eric Shullman.

Bar Mitzvah Orientation

Dr. Noveck has announced that the first meeting of the Bar Mitzvah Orientation Course will be held on Monday, November 21, at 5:15 P.M. in Room 300 of the Milton Steinberg House. In a series of meetings the group will study the historical background of the ceremony, its significance in modern life, and its role in the educational and religious guidance of the young person.

All boys and girls, who will be Bar Mitzvah or Bas Mitzvah between November 1955 and June 1956 are required to attend the course.

ADULT EDUCATION INSTITUTE
MONDAY EVENINGS

Sponsored by the Committee on Adult Education of the Park Avenue Synagogue

The following courses will be offered:

First Period—8:00-8:55 P.M.

I. AMERICAN JEWISH FAMILY LIFE IN MID-TWENTIETH CENTURY
Dr. Sidney Kosofsky
Social Room—Fifth Floor
Nov. 14—Choosing a Mate
Nov. 21—Marital Compatibility

II. THE BOOK OF JOB
Dr. Arthur Hyman
Room 300
Nov. 14—God and Satan
Nov. 21—Sin Suffering

III. ELEMENTARY HEBREW
Mrs. Dora Whartman
Room 402

IV. INTERMEDIATE HEBREW
Mr. Baruch Hochman
Room 403

Second Period—9:00-10:30 P.M.
Major Lecture Course (See Page 1)

Meyer Berger to Address Sisterhood

By MRS. DAVID ALTSCHUL

On Tuesday, November 22, Sisterhood will be pleased to present, at its open meeting, Meyer Berger, author of the famous column in *The New York Times* entitled, "About New York." Mr. Berger has been a newspaper man for more than 40 years. His knowledge of New York is infinite, and he should contribute a great deal to Sisterhood's current series, "Know Your City". This promises to be a stimulating afternoon and every effort should be made to attend.

Monday, December 12 is the day—the day set for Sisterhood's Diamond Jubilee—lunch at the Hotel Biltmore—then a very special treat—reserved seats at the world-famous Radio City Music Hall. Don't miss it! Get your checks and ads in now!

Parents Association Entertains New Mothers

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

The Executive Board of the Parents Association acted as hostesses at a luncheon held on November 1 in the Auditorium of the Park Avenue Synagogue in honor of the mothers of children who have entered the Religious School for the first time this fall.

Mrs. Herman Helpern, President of the Parents Association, welcomed the many mothers who attended and outlined the purposes of the organization. Several of the guests offered to serve on various committees devoted to their special interest. Rabbi Noveck was present and addressed the gathering. Following the luncheon, Mr. Martin Leichtling, Principal of the Religious School, also spoke to the group and explained many interesting facts about the Religious School, which has grown steadfastly since the Milton Steinberg House has been completed.

Chairman of the luncheon was Mrs. Hector Ritey, who, with her co-chairmen, Mrs. J. Rubinstein and Mrs. George Heyman, planned the affair. The luncheon was under the direction of Mrs. Bruno Foa, Chairman, and Mrs. Albert Siegel, co-chairman and their committee. The charming decorations were the work of Mrs. Adolf Stangel and her co-workers.

West Point Cadets at Synagogue Dec. 9

By the time this Bulletin is published it may already be too late but it is suggested that those who wish to offer hospitality to the Jewish Cadets of West Point please be sure to call the Synagogue at once, ENright 9-2600 and ask for Sidney R. Katz, Executive Director.

The United States Corps of Cadets at West Point is having its Jewish Chapel Choir sent to us as our special guests on Friday night December 9th. The musical program is being coordinated and worked out with them by Cantor Putterman who conferred with them before he left for Israel and has an appointment with them shortly after his return.

The Men's Club which is sponsoring this December 9th Friday night Sabbath Service wishes to accommodate the Cadets in providing homes for dinner. This means that they would be at your home by 6:45 p.m. and would have to be back at the Synagogue by 8:30 p.m. Interested members of the Synagogue are urged to telephone the office upon receipt of the Bulletin but no later than November 15th.

Major Jewish Agencies

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the Jewish community possible? Is it desirable?

Mr. Milton Himmelfarb is Director of the Library of Jewish Information of the American Jewish Committee. He studied at the Jewish Theological Seminary's College of Jewish Studies and is a frequent contributor to COMMENTARY magazine. His writings have also appeared in the AMERICAN JEWISH YEAR BOOK, JEWISH SOCIAL STUDIES, JEWISH FRONTIER, and the RECONSTRUCTIONIST.

Mr. Isaac Toubin is Associate Executive Director of the American Jewish Congress. Prior to his coming to the Congress in 1946, he was Director of National Jewish Welfare Board activities in Europe. His years of experience in both community and social service work include positions as field supervisor for the Greater New York area of the National Jewish Welfare Board, as well as Assistant Executive Director of its Committee on Army and Navy Religious Activities.

Carlton & Juliette Guest Stars at Men's Club "Ladies Night"

By LOUIS I. HELLER

CARLTON and JULIETTE

To Appear November 22

This year's "Ladies Night" at Men's Club will once more transform the Lemberg Auditorium into a sophisticated night club on Tuesday evening, November 22nd. The main attraction for this purely social evening will be the "Internationally Known Royalists of the Dance"—Carlton and Juliette.

The walls, floor and ceiling will reverberate to the beat of Latin-American tempos as this fine dance team demonstrates and teaches the mambo, tango, paso-doble and the newest dance sensation the Cha-Cha-Cha. Carlton and Juliette who were at the Nautilus Hotel, Atlantic Beach all summer, brought the Cha-Cha-Cha back with them after five months last winter at the International Hotel at Veradero Beach, Cuba. So, here is an opportunity for all members of Men's Club and their ladies to not only enjoy themselves, but to learn the steps of the latest dances at the same time. Naturally a fine orchestra will be present to play in all tempos and rhythms. The Hospitality Committee also promises a wonderful repast of food and drink.

We regret that this delightful evening has to be restricted only to Men's Club members and their ladies, but it is not too late to contact the Chairman of the Committee on Membership to make sure your name is on the list. Just call Dr. Sigmund A. Siegel at REgent 7-6969 or SAcramento 2-7499.

FOUR DATES TO REMEMBER!

The *Chanukah* season will usher in many big events in the Park Avenue Synagogue, many of which are already well planned and will undoubtedly attract a large turnout among our membership. They are listed below and it is suggested you mark your calendar now.

SUNDAY NIGHT, DECEMBER 11

Chanukah party of the Park Avenue Synagogue sponsored by the Synagogue and arranged by the Parents Association of the Religious School to be held in the Lemberg Auditorium of the Synagogue.

MONDAY NOON, DECEMBER 12

Sisterhood Annual Donor Luncheon to be held at the Hotel Biltmore. This is a major Synagogue event of the Sisterhood.

TUESDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 13

The Young Marrieds will have as their guest speaker Rev. Ford, noted Liberal Catholic Priest.

FRIDAY NIGHT, DECEMBER 9

West Point Choir will officiate along with Rabbi Noveck and Cantor Putterman at the late Friday evening Service under the sponsorship of the Men's Club of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

Congratulations

Mrs. and Mrs. Jacob Klein—Wedding Anniversary—October 25.

Mrs. and Mrs. Alex E. Arnstein—25th Wedding Anniversary—November 6.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Friedman—45th Wedding Anniversary—November 6.

Mrs. and Mrs. Samuel Haft—30th Wedding Anniversary—November 17.

Dr. and Mrs. Theodore Kaplan—Engagement of Daughter Elizabeth Pearl to Mr. Robert Miller Secor.

Senior League Cocktail Party Sunday, November 20

Senior League is sponsoring a membership cocktail party Sunday afternoon, November 20, 1955 in the fifth floor Social Room of the Milton Steinberg House. All single members of the Synagoguc between the ages of twenty-one to thirty who desire to attend are requested to inform the President of the Senior League, Mr. Harold Kurte, in writing care of the Synagogue.

The Hon. Abraham N. Geller, Justice of the Court of General Sessions, addressed the November 9 open meeting of Senior League and spoke on the topic "The Criminal Courts and the Problems of Youth Offenders".

J. N. F. House Dedicated

The Jewish National Fund, *Keren Kayemeth Leisrael*, the fund-raising body devoted to the purchase of land in Palestine in the name of the Jewish people, dedicated its new home on November 6, 1955. The building is located at 42 East 69th Street, and is a remodelled five-story former private mansion. It will house the many departments of the Jewish National Fund of America and will serve as a cultural center forYouth and affiliated organiations and other national Jewish bodies. It will be known as the JNF House—*Bet Hakeren Hakayemet.*

Condolences

Mrs. S. Shapiro—loss of son George Shapiro.

Arthur Poallack Family.

Mrs. Sara Smith—loss of husband Dr. James W. Smith.

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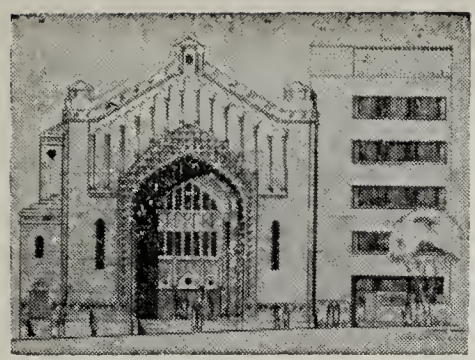

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B'nai B'rith

RABBI ARTHUR GILBERT

Adult Education Major Lecture Series

On Monday evening, November 28, Rabbi Arthur Gilbert, Director of the Department of Inter-Religious cooperation of the Anti-Defamation League, will be the final speaker representing the major Jewish agencies in the lecture series FAITHS JEWS LIVE BY. He will speak on "Ideological Foundations of the B'nai B'rith." Representatives of the

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Don't Forget!
MONDAY, DECEMBER 12

Sisterhood's Diamond Jubilee Luncheon at the Hotel Biltmore. Each guest will be presented with a gift made by Mrs. Solomon E. Green.

Magnificent door prizes. Then reserved seats at Radio Music Hall.

Send your check for your book NOW to Mrs. Saul Granetts, 45 East End Ave.

Dr. Horace M. Kallen to Speak At Friday Evening Services

Dr. Horace M. Kallen will be the guest speaker at the Friday evening Services on November 25, sponsored by the Adult Education Committee. His subject will be "Hebraism versus Judaism."

DR. HORACE M. KALLEN

Dr. Kallen, who is a member of the recent Presidential Commission of Higher Education, has a long and distinguished academic career. He has taught at Princeton, Harvard and the University of Wisconsin, and at present, he is Chairman of the Department of Philosophy and Psychology at the New School for Social Research in New York City. He is the author of a number of books and has contributed to more than thirty magazines and periodicals. His most recent works are "The Liberal Spirit" and "The Education of Free Man".

A firm believer that education and democracy are inseparably linked and that neither can succeed without the other. Dr. Kallen has spent many years developing this thesis.

Rabbi Simon Noveck will speak at the Friday Evening Service to be held on December 2 on the subject of "Maimonides".

Schedule of Services

Friday Evening, November 25 ..... 8:30 P.M.
Dr. Horace M. Kallen will speak on "Hebraism Versus Judaism"

Saturday Morning, November 26 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of James Rome
Rabbi Noveck will deliver the sermon

Friday Evening, December 2 ..... 8:30 P.M.
Rabbi Noveck will speak on "Moses Maimonides"

Saturday Morning, December 3 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Paul and John Herring
Rabbi Noveck will deliver the sermon

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From the Desk of the Bulletin Chairman

"Schedule of Coming Synagogue Events", a new feature appearing in the BULLETIN with this issue, will be found on the fourth or last page.

Through this medium, we plan to furnish the Congregational membership with a convenient schedule of Synagogue activities occurring during the two-week period between the publication of the current issue of the BULLETIN and the next one.

Any member desiring to ascertain what events will take place in the Synagogue during the fortnight ahead will find this information readily available on the last page of the BULLETIN under "SCHEDULE OF COMING SYNAGOGUE EVENTS."

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During the past summer, Mrs. Marvin Robinson, the former Editor of the BULLETIN, and her family moved to Scarsdale. She served as Editor since 1951 and during her association with the BULLETIN, she devoted her energies and zeal to the continued advancement of the high standards of that publication. We are sorry that Eleanor had to leave the staff but we are happy to make this public acknowledgment of her invaluable contribution to the BULLETIN.

Since Eleanor's resignation, the responsibility for the publication of the BULLETIN has been assumed by our Executive Director, Sidney R. Katz, together with your chairman. We hope to be able to announce the appointment of an Editor in the near future. Meanwhile we shall continue to get the BULLETIN to you on schedule as heretofore.

NELSON RUTTENBERG

Krulewitch to be Honored

Plans are being made to honor Brigadier General Melvin L. Krulewitch, a member of our Board of Trustees, at a dinner to be held Thursday evening, December 15, at the Plaza Hotel, Fifth Avenue and 59th Street. Watch the BULLETIN for further details.

Wedding Ceremonies In the Synagogue

The Synagogue Council of Omaha, Nebraska, recently called upon all members of the Jewish community to conduct marriage ceremonies in the home or Synagogue "to emphasize the traditional dignity, solemnity and religious significance of Jewish marriages".

Beth El Synagogue of Omaha adopted this resolution, and the Beth El News published an editorial by Rabbi Kripke of Beth El Synagogue of Omaha explaining why.

The following excerpt from that editorial may be of interest to those who contemplate weddings in our beautiful Synagogue, with the convenient arrangements for bridal parties in the Lemberg Auditorium located in our Synagogue building.

"With the exception of the home, there is no suitable place for a marriage ceremony other than the Synagogue—preferably before the Ark of the *Torah* . . . In the Synagogue, and particularly in the sanctuary or chapel, the spirit of sanctity pervades all. There is a proper mood for the pronouncements and the solemn service which unite a couple in marriage . . .

"The rooms of commercial places or social clubs may easily bring to bridal party and guests alike, suggestions of other occasions when the atmosphere was neither solemn nor inspiring. These memories may drive away the thoughts that should be in the minds of all, bridal party and guests together, who come to a wedding ceremony . . .

"It is precisely the assurance of a religious character to the wedding ceremony that demands that wedding ceremonies be solemnized in the Synagogue."

Senior League News

By HAROLD KURTE

On Wednesday evening, December 14, at 8:30 P.M. in the Lemberg Auditorium, Mr. Bernard Weinflash, account executive at Merrill Lynch Pierce Fenner & Beane, will lecture on the topic "The Emotional Stock Market."

Senior League is also sponsoring a dance Sunday evening, December 18, in the Lemberg Auditorium at 8:00 P.M. All single members of the Synagogue between the ages of twenty-one to thirty are cordially invited to attend.

Parents Association to Hold Open Meeting November 30

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

The first open meeting of the Parents Association will be held Wednesday evening, November 30, at 8:30 P.M. in the auditorium of the Park Avenue Synagogue. Prior to the meeting, the parents will have an opportunity to meet with the teachers of the Religious School.

The guest speaker will be Mr. Charles M. Shapp, who was recently designated Principal of the new Senator Robert F. Wagner Junior High School located on 76th Street near 3rd Avenue. Mr. Shapp is well known to many in this neighborhood as the former Principal of P.S. 167 on East 88th Street. An educator, lecturer, and author, Mr. Shapp will discuss "Education for the Atomic Age." This will be a frank appraisal of education in terms of the needs of children today and of the training necessary to prepare them for better citizenship. Refreshments will be served at the conclusion of the meeting.

The Chanukah party which is being conducted by the Parents Association for the entire Synagogue membership will take place Sunday evening, December 11. Two top-notch stars have been engaged to entertain the guests.

Mrs. Hector Ritey, chairman of the affair, will be assisted by Mrs. Aaron Schoenbaum, hospitality chairman in charge of refreshments, and Mrs. Adolf Stangel, chairman of decorations. Complete details will appear in the next issue of the BULLETIN. Reserve the date, Sunday evening, December 11, and join in the fun.

Congratulations

Mr. and Mrs. George Greenspan—Birth of son.

Mr. Louis M. Friedman—Birth of great grandchild.

Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Holzman—Engagement of son.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Davidson—30th Wedding Anniversary—Nov. 25.

Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Druss—25th Wedding Anniversary—Nov. 27.

Dr. and Mrs. Adolph Weiss—35th Wedding Anniversary—Dec. 7.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Finn—35th Wedding Anniversary—Dec. 7.

THE JEWISH CHAPEL CHOIR OF 1955-1956 UNITED STATES MILITARY ACADEMY-WEST POINT POSES IN DRESS GRAY

From *Left* to *Right*: Front Row:—Levy, N., Sgt., Rochester, N. Y.; Weinstein, L. H., Sgt., N. Y. C.; Weinstein, S. T., Sgt., Elmer, New Jersey; Mahler, M. D., Pvt., White Plains, N. Y., Lieut. Milton L. Levine, Officer-in-Charge, N. Y. C.; Rabbi K. Kaplin, Chaplain, Chappequa, N. Y.,; Sgt. R. Huffman, Director, Highland Falls, N. Y.; Matt, S. J., Pvt., Philadelphia, Pa.; Ackerman, P. W., Pvt., Ithaca, N. Y.: Harris, E. R., Cpl., Los Angeles, Calif.; Grant, T., Sgt., Los Angeles, Calif.

Second Row:—Husser, G. K., Pvt., Advance, N. C.; Wolf, H. J., Pvt., North Hollywood, Calif.; Schwartz, W. L., Pvt., Brooklyn, N. Y.; Fisch, D. A., Sgt., Chicago, Illinois; Weissman, L., Pvt., University City, Md.; Katz, J. J., Pvt., West Hartford, Conn.; Lehrfeld, W. R., Pvt., Paso Robles, Calif.; Fogel, J. S., Pvt., Rochester, N. Y.; Yateman, S. H., Pvt., Miami Beach, Florida; Saferstein, T., Sgt., Oklahoma City, Okla.; Werbel, S. K., Pvt., Far Rockaway, N. Y.; Parker, K., Austin, Texas; Steinberg, S. L., Pvt., Clayton, Mo.

Back Row:—Solomon, J. M., Cpl., Staunton, Va.; Summers, W. M., Pvt., San Anselmo, Calif.; Kovel, M. I., Pvt., Brooklyn, N. Y.; Gerhardt, D., Pvt., Charlotte, N. C.; Zimmerman, M., Sgt., Bronx, N. Y.; Roth, M., Pvt., Bayside, N. Y.; Mayer, I., Sgt., Baltimore, Md.; Lustig, J., Pvt., Binghamton, N. Y.; Werbel, J., Lt., Far Rockaway, N. Y.; Rosner, N. H., Pvt., Brooklyn, N. Y.; Stein, M. K., Pvt., Chicago, Illinois; Klein, S., Pvt., Batavia, N. Y.; Sirkis, M. S., Sgt., Brooklyn, N. Y.; Cohen, W. A., Pvt.; Sper, P. N., Pvt., Rochester, N. Y.; Fox, E., Sgt., N. Y. C.

Men's Club Special Sabbath Service Friday Night, Dec. 9

West Point Jewish Chapel Choir To Participate in Services

On Friday night, December 9, at 8.30 p.m. the Men's Club will sponsor a thrilling and unusual Sabbath Service.

After more than a year's intensive planning, the Men's Club is being honored by the presence of the Jewish Chapel Choir of the U. S. Military Academy of West Point.

This is particularly gratifying because the Cadet Choir is permitted only two public appearances a year away from the Academy.

Composed of thirty Jewish cadets, the choir will participate in the musical portion of the services, together with Chazzan David Putterman and our own Synagogue organist and choir. Rabbi Simon Noveck will officiate.

The cadets—in full dress uniform—will perform from our pulpit and will be conducted by their director, Sgt. R. Huffman.

It is extremely significant that this Sabbath evening is the occasion of the kindling of the first *Chanukah* light commemorating the military victory of the Maccabee forces. In keeping with the spirit of the evening, General Melvin L. Krulewitch, a member of the Men's Club and of the Board of Trustees of the Synagogue, will discuss the significant role played by Jewish men in the armed forces. General Krulewitch is the highest ranking Jew in the U. S. Marine Corps.

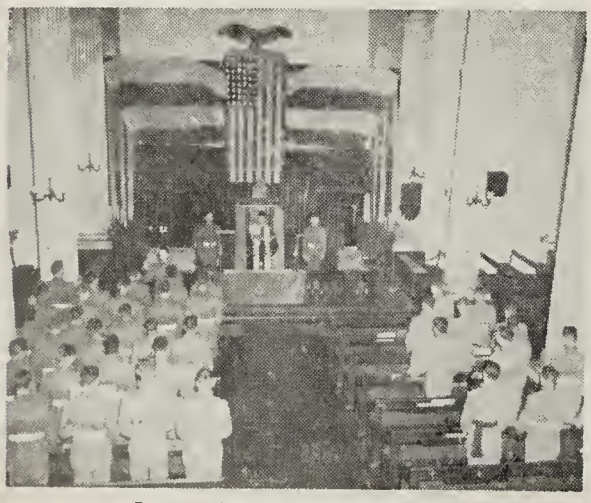
The announcement that the West Point Jewish Chapel Choir will participate in our services has aroused great public interest and a large attendance is anticipated. Accordingly, special tickets are being mailed to members of the Men's Club and to the entire Congregation in order to assure them of seats.

Members of the Congregation desiring additional tickets are requested to communicate with Sidney R. Katz, Executive Director, at the Synagogue office.

Immediately following the services, the Jewish Chapel Choir will present a program of secular music.

It is strongly urged that tickets be presented no later than 8:20 p.m., ten minutes before the time the services are to commence.

DECEMBER 9 IS A DATE TO REMEMBER.



Interior of Chapel

Time Limit Prevents Acceptance of Dinner Invitations by Choir

Milton M. Sivek, President of the Men's Club, has received word from West Point that the cadets will not arrive in time to permit them to accept the many invitations for dinner that they have received from members of the Congregation. Preceding their appearance at the Synagogue on Friday night, December 9, sufficient time must be allotted for a rehearsal with Chazzan Putterman and the Synagogue organist and choir and for the cadets to change from dress gray to full dress uniforms.

It is with regret that a necessary change in the proposed plans must be announced.

The Men's Club wishes to publicly express its thanks and appreciation to those who graciously offered the hospitality of their homes in the true Jewish spirit.

Old Cadet Chapel, West Point Military Academy

The Old Cadet Chapel where Jewish services are held every Saturday at 8 A.M. and on the holidays. A visiting Rabbi officiates. Originally built in 1836, it stood on the ground now occupied by the Post Academic Building. When it had to make way for newer buildings, the Chapel was carefully photographed and measured, dismantled stone by stone, and then reassembled at its present location.

It contains captured battle flags and tablets bearing the names of all but *one* of the American Generals in the Revolution. One tablet, at the East end of the Gallery Rail, merely has the inscription "Major General" and "born 1740"; the name and date of death have been gouged out. This is Benedict Arnold's tablet.

Teen Age Youth Group Expanding Rapidly

By HYMAN SANKEL

In less than one year our teen age youth group has shown phenomenal growth and development. Starting with seven members it has grown to more than a hundred. This has necessitated breaking the group into a Junior and Senior Club. At a recent meeting the following set of officers were elected:

Chairman of the Executive Council—Doris Wimpfheimer, *Senior President*—Martin Coopersmith, *Vice President*—John Kogan, *Vice President*—Alice Heyman, *Recording Secretary*—Cecily Falkenstein, *Corresponding Secretary*—Alan Mehlman, *Treasurer*—Leonard Stern.

Junior President — Lorraine Buchbinder, *Vice President* — Ted Pincus. *Vice President*—Stephen Helpern, *Recording Secretary* — Mickey Seligson, *Corresponding Secretary* — Geraldine Klein, *Treasurer*—Jimmy Gordon.

Two very successful events have already been held. One was a social dance at which more than two hundred teen agers were present. The other was an Israeli Folk Dance Festival.

Future plans encompass a Friday Night Service at which the young people will take over the conduct of the entire service. They will give the sermon, do the interpretive reading, sing the liturgical selections and conduct a panel discussion at the Oneg Shabbat. The date is December 16. A *Hannukah* Party will also be held that week.

Scouts

At a recent joint meeting of Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts, Mr. Milton Sivek, President of Men's Club formally presented three beautiful flags to these groups on behalf of his organization. One was the American Flag, one the Jewish Flag and the third a Cub Scout Pack 600 Flag. Mr. Michael Stowe accepted the flags in the name of the Scouts. Rabbi Noveck gave the invocation. Mrs. Herman Helpern, Chairman of the Youth Activities Committee and Mrs. Sigmund Siegel, Chairman of the School Board, also congratulated the Scouts on their rapid growth. General Melvin Krulewitch sent his regrets for being unable to attend because of an important social event being held in his honor by the United States Marines.

College Youth

A varied and interesting program is being planned by the Youth Activities Division during the winter recess for the sons and daughters of college age members of the Synagogue. A Friday Night Service and an exciting social event is on the program. We would like to extend invitations directly to these young people at school. If you have children in this category, please send names and school addresses to Hy Sankel, Director of Youth Activities.

School News

By MARTIN LEICHTLING

"The Fourth 'R'"

The New York Board of Rabbis in cooperation with the Educator's Council of Federation is sponsoring a special television show, "The Fourth 'R'—That's Religion" on WRCA, Channel 4 at 8 A.M. on Sunday mornings. The program presents Miss Debbie Nieman and children from religious schools and community centers in an attractive and well-planned series of broadcasts devoted to Jewish themes.

Parents Meet Teachers

The faculty of the Religious School will attend the first open meeting of the Parents Association on Wednesday evening, November 30. Parents are urged to meet with the teachers, between 8 and 9 P.M., to discuss the work of the class and the individual progress of their children.

Music and Arts

The Primary Department has enriched its instructional program with the appointment to the faculty of a music teacher and an arts and crafts instructor.

Miss Gladys Gewirtz is an experienced teacher of music and an outstanding recording artist in the field of Jewish holiday and childrens' records. She is developing a complete program of English and Hebrew songs for each of the grades of our school.

Mrs. Gertrude Holz, our teacher of arts and crafts, comes to us after years of experience in the Cejwin Camps. She has prepared a series of projects to supplement the holiday and history instruction in the class. The students will express their creativeness in clay, fingerpaints, copper and in sewing.

Volunteers Aid Registration

The opening night of the Park Avenue Synagogue's adult education program this year was assisted in its registration of participants by Mrs. Sol Green, Miss Carol Bennet, Miss Anne Oppenheimer, and Miss Donna Rosen.

Young Marrieds

By MRS. MAXINE MAMELOK

Reverend George B. Ford of the Corpus Christ Church, will be the guest speaker of the Young Marrieds, on Tuesday, December 13. This prominent liberal Catholic clergyman is well remembered by members of the Synagogue for the outstanding part he played in a symposium, held several years ago.

Many of the Columbia graduates recall Reverend Ford as the Counselor to Catholic students. His stimulating and provocative philosophy have influenced Jew and Catholic alike. The Young Marrieds are extremely honored by Reverend Ford's acceptance of their invitation to speak, and anticipate a large attendance.

The group's activity for January will provide for a contrasting but neverthe- an exciting evening. Las Vegas is coming to New York!

Major Lecture Series

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American Jewish Committee and the American Jewish Congress were heard on preceding Monday evenings.

Rabbi Gilbert was Assistant Rabbi of Temple B'nai Jeshurun, Newark, N. J. He has been active in interfaith and Jewish youth affairs. He is currently the rabbinical advisor to the New Jersey Federation of Temple Youths, and is the author of numerous articles on Jewish affairs.

The following week, December 5, as the fifth lecture in the series dealing with the philosophies of Jewish survival current in the American Jewish community, Dr. Noveck will speak on "Hassidism—An Emotional Approach to Judaism." Rabbi Noveck will discuss the philosophy of Hassidism as it is being taught in America at the present time, and will describe the original contributions of the Baal Shem Tov, the founder of Hassidism. He will then trace the history and background of the Movement during the past 200 years in Europe and indicate the changes that have taken place in America. The Rabbi will also discuss the influence of this ideology on American Jews in recent years.

Condolences

Mrs. Martin Selig—Loss of mother Bertha Frybergh.

Mrs. Helen Straus—Loss of mother Mary Cohen.

Book Fair Sponsored by Parents Association

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

The annual Book Fair, which again this year will be sponsored by the Parents Association, will commence on Sunday, November 27 and continue through Wednesday evening, November 30, in the Auditorium of the Synagogue. There will also be an exhibit on Sunday morning, December 4.

Coming, as it does, during the observance of Jewish Book Month, the Fair will provide an opportunity for many new readers to become acquainted with Jewish books, and for those already interested to see an excellent exhibit of the latest books dealing with Jewish life and thought.

Mrs. Leon Klein and her co-chairmen, Mrs. Paul Miller and Mrs. Bernard Grauer, will also have on hand many record albums of Jewish music, and ceremonial objects of art suitable as gifts for holidays and other occasions.

During the Book Fair, Mrs. Stanley Simon and Mrs. Adolf Stangel will present a Chanukah Workshop to encourage the traditional observance of Chanukah in the home. This will also include a display of pamphlets and decorations appropriate for the celebration of the Festival of Lights. As part of this project, the Intermediate Girl Scout Group, under the direction of Mrs. Frank Bergman, will operate a lending library.

Sisterhood Supports Federation Drive

Mrs. Samuel Gellert, Chairman of the Park Avenue Synagogue Sisterhood Federation Committee, urged all members of the Sisterhood to respond generously as they have done in the past, always giving their whole-hearted cooperation to the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies.

In making the announcement, Mrs. Gellert stated that Federation's hospitals and social agencies are not only giving merciful assistance to thousands of our less fortunate neighbors in times of sickness and distress—but they are blazing new trails in medical care, child guidance and aid for the aged. This is our Jewish Community Chest; it is our protection against sickness and trouble.

Schedule of Coming Synagogue Events

November 25, 8:30 P.M. — Friday Evening Service
Dr. Horace Kallen will speak on "Hebraism versus Judaism"

November 26, 9:30 A.M. — Sabbath Morning Service
Bar Mitzvah of James Rome

November 27 through November 30
Book Fair sponsored by Parents Association (Milton Steinberg House)

November 28, 8:30 P.M. — Monday night Adult Education Courses
Dr. Sidney Kosofsky will speak on "The Sex Life" (Social Hall on 5th Floor)
Dr. Arthur Hyman will speak on "God and Evil" (Room 300)
Rabbi Arthur Gilbert will speak on "Ideological Foundations of B'nai B'rith (Sisterhood Lounge)

November 30, 8:30 P.M. — Parents Association Open Meeting
Mr. Charles M. Shapp will speak on "Education for the Atomic Age" (Lemberg Auditorium)

December 2, 8:30 P.M. — Friday Evening Service
Rabbi Simon Noveck will speak on "Maimonides"

December 3, 9:30 A.M. — Sabbath Morning Service
Bar Mitzvah of Paul and John Herring

December 5, 8:30 P.M. — Monday night Adult Education Courses
Dr. Sidney Kosofsky will speak on "Raising Children" (Social Hall on 5th Floor)
Dr. Arthur Hyman will speak on "Wisdom and Morality" (Room 300)
Rabbi Simon Noveck will speak on "Hassidism—An Emotional Approach to Judaism" (Sisterhood Lounge)

Mrs. Peiper Co-Chairs Guild for Blind Holiday Sale

Mrs. Edward Peiper of 525 Park Avenue, former President of the Sisterhood of the Park Avenue Synagogue, has been named Co-Chairman of its Holiday Sale Committee by the New York Guild for the Jewish Blind, 1880 Broadway. Mrs. Peiper is a member of the Board of Directors of the Guild's Women's Division.

The Holiday Sale, which is sponsored by the State Commission for the Blind will start on November 28 and run through December 17 at 84 East 42nd Street—just across the street from Grand Central Station. The Guild, like other large agencies for the blind within the state, will have its own booth, selling dolls, metalware, jewelry, baby blankets and wooden serving and carving trays hand-made by blind people in its sheltered workshops. Bargain prices range from 25c to $10.00, with all items free from city sales tax.

All booths are staffed by volunteers, so that all proceeds from the sale are returned directly to the individual agencies for the blind. On December 12, which will be "Jewish Day," the staff will consist of members of the Federation of Jewish Women's Clubs.

Mrs. Hamerman Elected Hadassah Vice-President

Mrs. Bertha Hamerman, who for many years has been a member of the Park Avenue Synagogue and of the Sisterhood, has been re-elected as National Vice-President of Hadassah. Her many friends in and outside of the Synagogue have extended their congratulations.

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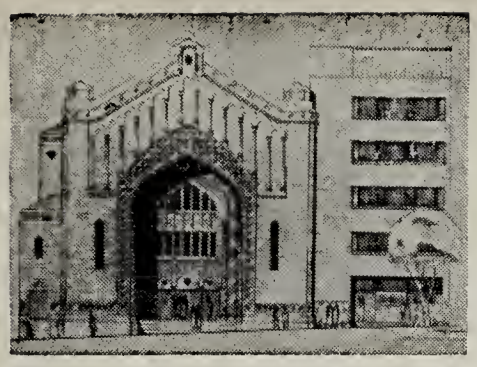

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Sisterhood Gala Diamond Jubilee Luncheon Dec. 12

By Mrs. David Altschul

On Monday, December 12, Sisterhood will hold its annual donor luncheon at the Hotel Biltmore, in celebration of its diamond jubilee. It will be a gala occasion. A fine luncheon will be served, and each guest will receive a gift made by Mrs. Solomon Green. Many magnificent prizes will also be given away. Then on to the Radio City Music Hall where reserved seats will await our guests to see the holiday show.

The President of Sisterhood, Mrs. William Karmiol, would like to express her thanks and appreciation to those who have helped to make this day possible: Chairman of the luncheon Committee, Mrs. Jacob Easton Holzman and her co-

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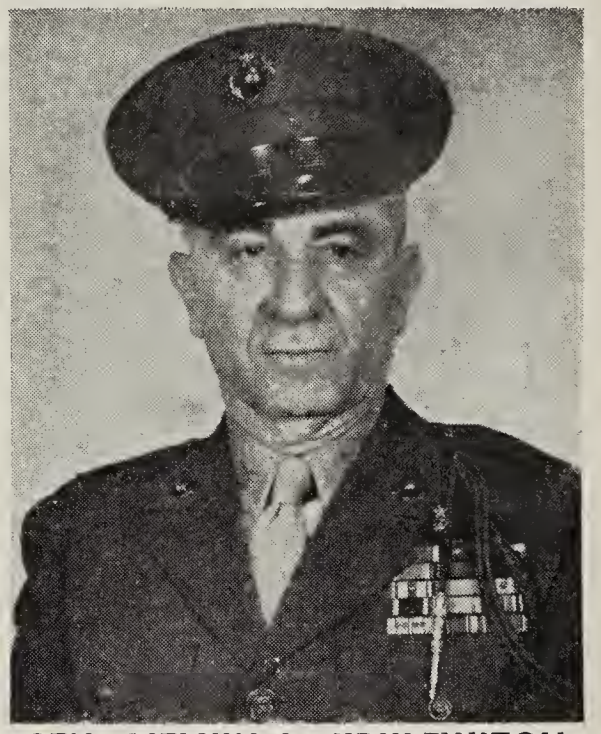
West Point Jewish Chapel Choir Will Appear At Men's Club Friday Evening Services Dec. 9

The anticipated and much awaited Friday Evening Services, sponsored by the Men's Club of the Park Avenue Synagogue, which will be held this Friday evening, December 9, at 8:30 P.M., will witness one of the unusual public appearances of the Jewish Chapel Choir from the United States Military Academy at West Point.

The choir, which will be conducted by their director, Sgt. R. Huffman, will participate in the musical portion of the services together with Chazzan David Putterman and our own Synagogue organist and choir.

Brigadier General Melvin L. Krulewitch, a member of the Men's Club and of the Board of Trustees of the Synagogue, will be the guest speaker. He is the highest ranking Jew in the U. S. Marine Corps and the first member of the Jewish faith to hold the rank of General in the Marine Corps.



GEN. MELVIN L. KRULEWITCH

Following the services, the West Point choir has consented to present a program of secular music. Tickets have been sent to members of the Men's Club and also to members of the Congregation to assure them of seats, in view of the large public attendance that is expected. It is suggested that the tickets be presented no later than 8:20 P.M.

The appearance of the West Point Choir was arranged through the efforts of Hon. Maxwell Shapiro, an officer of the Men's Club.

Annual Congregational Chanukah Party To be held Dec. 11 - Entertainers to Appear

By Rhea M. Ruttenberg

The annual Congregational *Chanukah* party, sponsored by the Parents Association, will be held on Sunday evening, December 11, at 8:30 P.M., in the auditorium of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

In an impressive and beautiful ceremony, Cantor David Putterman will kindle the Chanukah lights, and Rabbi Simon Noveck will invoke the blessing.

An unusual program, planned by the Parents Association for this festive occasion under the supervision of Mrs. Hector Ritey, chairman, and her committee will also be presented.

Professor Irwin Corey, an internationally known artist, who has delighted audiences at the Paladium in London and throughout Europe, will entertain the guests. Also a favorite on Broadway, Prof. Corey has appeared on several Steve Allen TV shows and with Helen Hayes in her

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Lyric Soprano

FLORENCE HOLLAND

WELCOME BACK HAZZAN PUTTERMAN

Officers, Trustees and Congregants of Park Avenue Synagogue are pleased to welcome back to our shores Cantor David J. Putterman, who has just returned from an extended trip to Israel.

We are all confident that the visit to the Holy Land is bringing back to us a reinspired and refreshed Hazzan whom we are all very happy to see again.

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The Eternal Message Of Chanukah

As we approach the Chanukah season, when our minds turn to the memory of the Maccabeans and to the spirit of re-dedication to the principles which gave rise to the Chanukah festival, we believe the following excerpt from "What the Jews Believe" by Rabbi Philip S. Bernstein is timely and appropriate.

N. R.

Chanukah is an historical and deeply spiritual holiday. It commemorates the Jewish nation's successful struggle against oppression by Antiochus IV. This Syrian ruler was one of those who inherited part of the empire of Alexander the Great. Zealous Hellenist and unifier, he sought to impose Greek ways on the people whom he ruled. Some of the Jews yielded to the blandishments of the pleasant Greek customs or to curry favor with the King. However, the Hebraic genius sensed the fatal danger in this process and expressed itself in a revolt of the common people. Led by Mattathias, an elderly priest in the town of Modin and later by his son, Judah the Maccabee, they strove to cast off the oppressive yoke. At first shouting, "Whosoever is zealous of the Law, let him follow me," Mattathias led the attack on Jews who were disloyal to their faith. Then Judah, apparently a military genius, organized his loyal followers into bands which carried on successful puerrilla operations against the foreign oppressors. The odds were against them for they were ill-equipped and vastly outnumbered. But they were fighting for their homes, their faith and their freedom. As the months passed, as early defeats were transformed into victories, they demonstrated the historic validity of Zechariah's promise, "Not by might, not by power, but by My spirit, saith the Lord."

By the early winter of 165 B.C. they delivered the last decisive blows to the demoralized armies of Antiochus. Judah marched victoriously into Jerusalem. A single undefiled cruse of oil was found. Tradition has it that this single flask provided enough oil to burn not for one, but for eight days.

Ever since, the Jews have celebrated in the Hebrew month of *Kislev* the festival of *Chanukah*—which means dedication. The Book of Maccabees is read. Special prayers of rejoicing are sung for the wonders God wrought for His people. Jewish homes are gladdened with eight nights of celebration and gift giving. Candles are lit, one on the first night, two the second—until finally eight are kindled on the last night.

The basic issue of the Maccabean struggle was religious freedom. The Jews fought for their right to worship their God in their own way. This struggle apparently is never completely won. We have learned this again in our generation. It is interesting to speculate on what this victory of the spirit has meant in human history. If Judaism had been destroyed in the second century before Jesus, would Christianity have come into the world, or Mohammedanism? Both were products of Judaism; both derived sustenance from the living Jewish people.

The Jews have understood that not only their survival as a people, but their faith, the Jewish soul, was at stake. For this reason, perhaps, the *Hallel*, stirring psalm of praise, is chanted on *Chanukah* but not on *Purim* which commemorates also the deliverance of the people. The Gerer Rebbi, once renowned Chassidic leader of Eastern Jewry, thus explains the greater importance of *Chanukah*. "On *Purim* we were saved from the attempt to destroy the body of the Jew; but on *Chanukah* we were rescued from the decree that would have destroyed our soul."

To Honor Contributors to Milton Steinberg House

Now that the Milton Steinberg House has been completed, the Special Advisory Committee on Tablets and Memorials, is preparing plans to appropriately honor those contributors whose generosity has made this building a reality. Those who have been privileged to participate in the erection of this beautiful edifice, in honor of our beloved and sainted Rabbi Milton Steinberg, of blessed memory, take pardonable pride in this living memorial to a great Rabbi, educator, and spiritual leader.

A list of names is being prepared by the Special Committee which are to be placed on various plaques and tablets in the new building. Those contributors, who have met their pledges in full, will be included in the initial list. May we, therefore, suggest to those who have overlooked their outstanding pledges, that final payment should be made immediately. This will greatly aid the Committee in the preparation of a complete list of all those who are to be so honored.

May we also suggest to those new members, who have recently joined the Synagogue, that they, too, may be similarly honored or they may have the names of their dear ones permanently memorialized in the Milton Steinberg House. Mr. Sidney R. Katz, our Executive Director, will be glad to furnish you with further details, if you will communicate with him at the Synagogue office.

Schedule of Services

Friday Evening, December 9 ..... 8:30 P.M.
MEN'S CLUB SABBATH—WEST POINT JEWISH CHAPEL CHOIR
Brig. Gen. Melvin L. Krulewitch will speak

Saturday Morning, December 10 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of David Alberts
Rabbi Noveck will deliver the sermon

Friday Evening, December 16 ..... 8:30 P.M.
Teen-Age Youth Sabbath

Saturday Morning, December 17 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Jonathan Ostriker
Rabbi Noveck will deliver the sermon

Daily Minyan Service Every Evening
Appleman Chapel, Milton Steinberg House — 6:00 P.M.

Milton Steinberg House — One Year of Progress What It Means To Us

From the President of the Park Avenue Synagogue

It is over a year now since the Milton Steinberg House is in full operation and it is pleasant to reminisce about the past and contemplate the future.

Chanukah is approaching and it is always a season of dedication and re-dedication and rejoicing. The Scriptural portions that we will read this year concern Joseph and his dreams. Joseph's dreams were realized in his life time and when Pharoh questioned him. he said in terms "I can't interpret dreams. but God will let Pharoh know what is in His mind." This was the humble and gentle Joseph.

For 20 years Milton Steinberg was the Rabbi of the Park Avenue Synagogue, and during that period of time, he endeared himself not only to the hearts of all his congregants but to the whole Jewish world; yeah even to a great part of the non-Jewish world and although he is not with us today, he still lives and is as much alive today as he was 6 years ago.

Milton Steinberg was a most humble human being, and he also had dreams; one of his dreams was to have a suitable building to house children where they could be taught Judaism in all its forms —he never however visualized a building such as the members of the Park Avenue Synagogue have built and which now bears his name, the Milton Steinberg House: that was a dream of his, that he didn't live to see realized, but none the less it was his dream and how feverishly he fought and worked to have it become a reality many of us know only too well.

And what a monument to his memory it has turned out to be. Speaking from my own observation I can say no matter how often I enter that building I am thrilled to the core with what I see and what is going on.

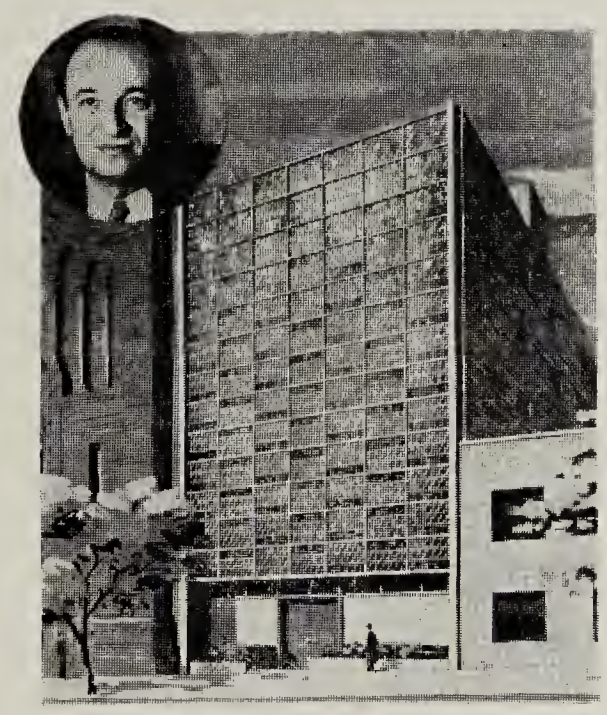
I am there daily between the hours of 9 and 11 and in the office I see a beehive of activity. Sidney R. Katz our Executive Director is in charge of the entire building but in the office where I see him at 9:00 A.M. almost daily, one of the busiest, kindliest and most gracious executives it has been my privilege to see in harness—almost continuously at the telephone answering inquiries for all the officers of the Park Avenue Synagogue and its subsidiary organizations as well as from many outside interests; it has always been a pleasure for me to see him at work and performing wonderfully with the untold number of duties that are enough to try the patience of even a saint and this continues until closing time. The office help is certainly on their tiptoes and most helpful in all directions.

In addition I attend the newly inaugurated daily minyan services at 6:00 P.M. and also attend the meetings of the various subsidiary organizations as well as some of the classes of the Hebrew School.

This is in truth a realization of Milton Steinberg's dreams and wherever he may be at this time, he must be very happy to know that his dreams have come true.

JACOB KLEIN

MILTON STEINBERG HOUSE



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What The Milton Steinberg House Means to the Sisterhood

The Sisterhood has always been of the belief that the Park Avenue Synagogue should represent—A House of Prayer—a House of Education and a House of Social and Communal Life. The completion of the Milton Steinberg House, therefore represents to the Sisterhood a crowning achievement to help to further these ideals.

We have an enlarged auditorium for more extensive use; better facilities, such as new kitchens, lighting and air-conditioning and the comfort of the new Sisterhood Lounge, which has been so tastefully furnished. For the first time the Sisterhood Lounge was used in giving a luncheon to greet the wives of new members, and it was most successful. I do believe that most of our functions should now be held here, as it can be made attractive and homelike. The Sisterhood meetings are held here, where we try to have programs of interest to carry on the hope of our beloved Milton Steinberg, in whose memory the new building was dedicated.

So that we may enrich this memorial to our beloved Rabbi, we trust, that as our congregation grows, we shall continue to learn and practice our Judaism; as Milton Steinberg once stated for a Sisterhood Function. "Only by study, practice and dedication can we help ourselves. If we will learn our Judaism, work at it as a religious regimen in an ethical way and cultural tradition, and do all this with earnestness and consecration, with idealism, then creativity equal to our opportunities will come by itself."

The Sisterhood is the heart of the Congregation: for men may build these houses, but women make them homes; hence the Milton Steinberg House represents to us, the Sisterhood's home.

MRS. WILLIAM KARMIOL
President of the Sisterhood

Men's Club

Seven years ago, our late beloved Rabbi Milton Steinberg invited thirty-five men of the Park Avenue Synagogue to his home in order to explore the possibility of establishing a Men's Club. He indicated that there was a great need for forming an organization to help establish social relationships among the men of the Congregation, thereby making Synagogue acliation more meaningful. Upon polling the men present, he was delighted to learn that the response was unanimously in the affirmative. Shortly thereafter, under Rabbi Steinberg's spiritual strength and wise guidance, the first meeting of the Men's Club was held.

This year we are commemorating the first anniversary of the dedication of the Milton Steinberg House, a sacred edifice of magnificent appearance, built in memory of a leader in Israel and to the precepts of worship and study which he constantly advocated. Because the Milton Steinberg House has been named for our revered Rabbi and founder, we in the Men's Club feel an intensified kinship with the lofty ideals for which this building was constructed.

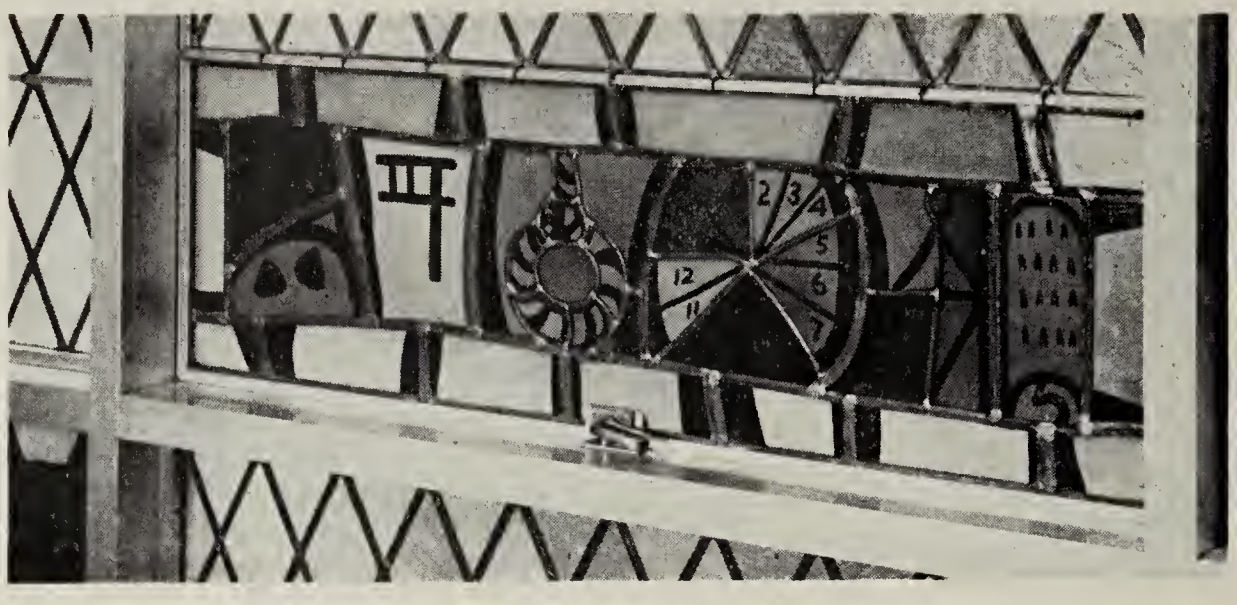
The Milton Steinberg House has undoubtedly drawn the men of our organization closer to the Synagogue. It has increased the awareness of our responsibility to our brethren in the Congregation and to Jewry throughout the world, and has helped create an atmosphere of sociability for the men of our Congregation.

Rabbi Steinberg loved the Men's Club. He rarely missed a meeting and took great delight and interest in our endeavors. We humbly and modestly feel he would have been proud of the progress we have made. We, in turn, will never forget his inspirational leadership and the fact that he was the fountainhead of the Men's Club.

This imposing building stands as a monument to a great man and to the concepts for which he stood: worship, study and social relationship. These the Men's Club will always attempt to emulate. As Solomon Schechter once said: "In Judaism, every thing must emanate from the the Torah and culminate in it. We cannot live entirely for the fleeting moment. We have duties to the past and future."

MILTON M. SIVEK
President, Men's Club

MILTON STEINBERG HOUSE



DETAIL OF ONE OF TWENTY-ONE PANELS

Young Married Group

During World War II at least, it used to be said of some of us servicemen "he found a home in the army." A figurative analogy may be applied to the Young Married Group's relationship to the Milton Steinberg House. We found a home in that building.

Until the Building first opened its doors, the Young Married Group was a "floater"; we met at the homes of our members, or at the 92nd Street YMHA or wherever we could bed down for the night. If we had plans for a social, we had to look for a location; if our members turned out in droves for a meeting (always for an election) we were cramped, crowded and cowed. All was chaotic at best.

What a difference a building has made! Now we meet in the luxurious surroundings of the lounge regularly and religiously. Our women folk have use of the kitchen so that our meetings are followed up with refreshments. We have the opportunity to socialize and to have a sponsor entertainment and galas of all kinds (don't forget our Las Vegas night-January 14, 1956—buy your tickets early). The building has unified and strengthened us beyond measure and has assisted our organization in the realization of its desire to be an active and thriving component of the Synagogue.

There are other features to the new Building in the opinion of the Young Married Group. As our children become older, they are able to make use of the Synagogue's added facilities in the Educational Department, improved as they are in the new building. The Adult Education classes are more appealing in the new surroundings. These are important facets of our official and unofficial ties with the Synagogue, made additionally desirable by the Milton Steinberg House.

If you get the impression from all of this that the Young Married Group is pleased with the Milton Steinberg House, I've made my point. We look forward to its continued happy use by our Group as well as all others.

SAMUEL G. FREDMAN

Parents Association

To the Parents Association, the completion of the Milton Steinberg House has been the fruition of a dream. To us, it has brought a new impetus to achieve greater goals and higher objectives.

We as parents, consider it a privilege to be able to send our children to the Religious School where they can avail themselves of the most modern facilities as well as the best in teaching standards. This is in sharp contrast to the inadequate facilities heretofore, and which the Parents Association as well as the other arms of the Synagogue tried to ameliorate. It was upon the recognition of the lack of proper school facilities that the Board of Trustees undertook to build this outstanding house of learning.

Our magnificent building, erected in the memory of our beloved late Rabbi Milton Steinberg, and dedicated to the needs of our children, will be a constant inspiration to every member of the Parents Association.

LILLIAN HELPERN

Religious School

The Milton Steinberg House has given the Religious School a greater opportunity to play a vital role in the field of Jewish education. Members of the congregation and more of their neighbors in the community are making the Park Avenue Synagogue the focal point in their planning for the religious education of their children.

The Milton Steinberg House has taken the Religions School out of the old "basement" and provided our children with the most advanced educational physical facilities—scientifically-lighted classrooms with tinted chalk-boards to ease eye strain: movable furniture to encourage new methods of instruction: equipment for the use of audio-visual instruction: provisions for the use of art, music and dramatics in our instruction; and, a beautiful chapel to add further dignity to the Junior Congregation Sabbath Services. Though only a year behind us, forgotten in the distant past is the old school with its dimly lighted, poorly equipped classrooms separated from each other by thin partitions that seemed to encourage the flow of sound from room to room.

The Milton Steinberg House adds stature and prestige to our school and its instructional program. Through the years, the increasing significance of the school in the lives of our children, despite our poor facilities, has been a tribute to the far-seeing educational thinking of the leaders of the congregation and the devotion and pedagogic skill of the faculty. Today, with the new building, our students look upon their studies and their teachers with renewed esteem. They appreciate the beauty and dignity of their educational surroundings which compare more than favorably with the best of the public and private schools. They react, with pleasure, to the enriched and varied curriculum that can now be part of our instruction. They accept religious education as an integral part of their general education and development.

The Milton Steinberg House gives the synagogue, the school and the home greater opportunities to work together in the education of our Jewish youth to live in the American community.

MARTIN LEICHTLING, Principal

ONE OF OUR MODERN RELIGIOUS SCHOOL CLASSROOMS

Youth Activities Committee

Perhaps no other group has benefited more from the completion of the Milton Steinberg House than has the youth of the Park Avenue Synagogue. The facilities available to our young people today have made possible the ambitious program now in operation.

Many cultural and recreational activities are being offered to our children both on a younger and teen-age level. These activities have attracted an unusually great number of boys and girls from the Religious School; their leadership and enthusiasm are most rewarding. The true purpose of our program is to strengthen the ties of the young people with the Synagogue and to enrich their identification with Judaism. This objective is always kept in mind and forms a basic concept in the philosophy of the youth program of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

All this has been made possible by the Milton Steinberg House. Without it, our objective would not have been realized and would have remained an empty dream.

LILLIAN HELPERN

Adult Education Committee

The stimulating adult education program of our Synagogue has been greatly enhanced with the completion of the Milton Steinberg House. The carefully planned and well equipped, modern classrooms have provided the most ideal surroundings for maintaining the high standards of our adult program. Utilizing these facilities, the Committee on Adult Education, under the chairmanship of Mr. Saul Godwin, with the help and guidance of Rabbi Noveck, has once again planned an exciting program for the current year.

During the present semester, on Monday evenings from 8 P.M. to 9 P.M., four courses are held simultaneously in rooms on the third, fourth and fifth floors: *The Book of Job, American Jewish Family Life in the Mid-Twentieth Century,* and *Elementary* and *Intermediate Hebrew.* A typical classroom, for example, with its beautiful stained glass window serving as the north wall, provides a striking setting for the group of students studying and discussing the text of *The Book of Job.*

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Gen. Krulewitch to be Guest of Honor Dec. 15

In an extraordinary tribute to a friend who has received unusual recognition by our country, General Melvin L. Krulewitch, member of the Board of Trustees of Park Avenue Synagogue will be the guest of honor at a testimonial dinner in his behalf sponsored by a group of friends.

The purpose of the testimonial is to gather together the men and women who have known and admired General Krulewitch for many years and who want to pay tribute to him on the occasion of his being named to the highest military honor ever accorded a Jew in the United States Marines namely, his being designated recently by President Eisenhower as a Brigadier-General.

Park Avenue Synagogue officials and Trustees are amongst those actively participating in the plans for the dinner which is scheduled for Thursday evening, December 15 at 6:30 P.M. at the Plaza Hotel, Fifth Avenue and 59th Street.

Judge Sanford H. Cohen is acting as program chairman of this dinner. Mr. Milton Weill will be the toastmaster. Reservations at $12.50 per person may be made by writing to Jacob Klein directly at the Synagogue. Dress is optional. National figures in the military and civilian life of our nation are expected to be present at this dinner.

Adult Education

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At 9 P.M., the attractively decorated Sisterhood Lounge is transformed into the class room for the larger attended Major Lecture Series on *Faiths Jews Live By*.

For the second semester, beginning on January 9th, another well-varied selection of classes is planned, including Cantor Putterman's Choral Group, Professor Albert Salomon's course on *Piety, Liturgy and Prayer Book*, and the sixth annual *Milton Steinberg Lectures on Jewish Theology*.

It is the sincere hope of the Committee on Adult Education that more of our congregants will avail themselves of these interesting courses and excellent facilities so that the Milton Steinberg House will indeed become the educational and cultural center which its founders intended.

MRS. BEATRICE TRACHTENBERG

Seymour Berkson To Speak to Men's Club

By LOUIS I. HELLER

At the regular meeting of the Men's Club to be held on Tuesday, December 20, at 8:30 P.M., the guest speaker will be Seymour Berkson, Publisher of the N. Y. Journal-American. His topic will be "The International Scene — What's Next?"

SEYMOUR BERKSON

Before becoming Publisher of the Journal-American on October 3, 1955, Mr. Berkson was General Manager of the International News Service, the youngest chief executive of any one of the three major American news services.

In June 1935 Berkson was appointed managing editor of INS, which brought him back to its New York headquarters.

Recently he completed another of his European survey trips, covering in rapidfire succession: England, France, Germany, Austria, Italy, Spain, Israel and Egypt. He interviewed statesmen and just ordinary citizens to feel the pulse of what is happening abroad today.

Mr. Berkson is also the author of "The Rise and Fall of Mussolini" and co-author of "They Were There" and "The Best I Know".

CHANUKAH FESTIVAL
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ISRAEL BONDS

College Party Dec. 22 During Winter Recess

The Youth Activities Division is planning to hold a Cocktail Party for college-age children of members on Thursday evening, December 22 at 8:00 P.M. in the Lemberg Auditorium of the Park Avenue Synagogue. Rabbi Noveck will address the group. Dancing will follow. We feel that this is a fine opportunity for these young people to renew old friendships and make new ones. We hope that members of the congregation will urge their children to attend. Graduate students at college are cordially invited to attend.

On Friday, December 30, a College Youth Service will be held. The young people will participate in conducting the service. Personal invitations to attend are being extended directly to the boys and girls.

United Synagogue Convention Report

The United Synagogue of America last month completed its Biennial Convention which brought delegates from Conservative Synagogues all over the United States and Canada for four days of busy sessions at the Concord Hotel in Kiamesha Lake, N. Y.

High spots of the Convention included inspirational and informative addresses by Dr. Louis Finkelstein, Chancellor of the Jewish Theological Seminary, Dr. Mordecai Kaplan and Rabbi Israel Goldstein. Resolutions were adopted on a wide variety of subjects including immigration, public education, financial aid for Synagogues and a host of other subjects of general interest to all Jews.

The contingent at the Convention from Park Avenue Synagogue included Rabbi Simon Noveck, Mr. and Mrs. Sol Green, Mr. I. B. Oseas, Mr. Benjamin Sack, Mr. Victor Herwitz, and Mr. Sidney R. Katz.

Mr. Oseas delivered a report on the role of the layman in Jewish law during a plenary session of the Convention and Mr. Sack reported to one of the seminars on Synagogue budgets.

Dr. Hasye Cooperman Will Lecture To Adult Education Group

DR. HASYE COOPERMAN

"Yiddish Literature and Culture as an Aspect of Judaism" will be the topic of the concluding lecture in this semester's adult education series on "Faiths Jews Live By" on Monday, December 12 at 9 P.M. Dr. Hasye Cooperman, who has participated in our adult education program in previous years, will deliver this talk. She will describe the attitudes of those who revered Yiddish literature as a record of Jewish life and Jewish ethical values—the laughter and tears of a people—and will explain how a philosophy and a way of Jewish living came into being out of this search for Jewish roots and an identification with one's brethren.

Dr. Cooperman was born and educated in New York City. She received her M.A. and Ph.D. at Columbia University. At present she is a member of the faculty of the New School for social Research where she teaches comparative literature as well as a special course in American prose and poetry. She has lectured extensively on the philosophy of aesthetics and in other fields of European and American literatures. Dr. Cooperman has written poetry, short stories and essays in Yiddish as well as in English, including "Men Walk the Earth," a collection of poems and a book of critical appreciation, "The Aesthetics of Stephne Mallarme."

Rev. George B. Ford To Speak to Young Marrieds

By MAXINE MAMELOK

The Young Marrieds will have the honor of presenting Rev. George B. Ford, Pastor of Corpus Christ Church, who will address them at their next meeting, Tuesday, December 13. Reverend Ford's liberal Catholic philosoph is acknowledged universally.

Outside his immediate church domain, Reverend Ford has played a prominent part in many national and international organizations. He is Vice-President of "Freedom House", President of "The Church Peace Union" (Carnegie endowed) and President of "The Greater New York Council for Foreign Students." His devoted work as Counselor to Catholic students at Columbia University some years ago, has served as an inspiration to his successors. As a humanitarian in the true sense of the word, we feel privileged to present Reverend Ford as our next speaker.

For those of you with a gambling spirit, that is, a "legalized gambling spirit" an exciting! tempting! adventurous! evening awaits you. The Young Marrieds are planning an evening of fun and frolic featuring "Gamblin' games, tasty refreshments and Rollickin' Dancing" on Saturday evening, January 14, 1956. Prizes run the gamut from glamorous spectacles to exotic evening bags. All efforts of the participants will be richly rewarded.

Co-chairmen for the affair are Rose Krones and Don Schlesinger. Tickets may be obtained from Rose at 530 East 90th Street or from any of the other members at $5.00 per couple. The proceeds from this fund-raising affair will go to the Milton Steinberg Fund. So, mark down January 14 as a must on your New Year Calendar!

Congratulations

December 22—Dr. & Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer—20th Wedding Anniversary

Engagement of Elinor Rohrlich to Mr. Bevin D. Koeppel

Mr. & Mrs. Morry Luxenberg—Engagement of son Daniel to Miss Mary Elizabeth Holtz

Youth Activities

By HY SANKEL

United Synagogue Youth Convention

The Park Avenue Synagogue will be represented at the fifth national convention to be held in Cleveland, December 26 to 29 by a delegation of ten members. The theme this year is "Jewish People, God and the Torah; An Eternal Unity." We hope that our representatives to the convention will develop a renewed and deepened desire to worship God through prayer and good deeds which they in turn will transmit to their fellow club members on their return.

The delegates are: Stephen Helpern, John Kogan, Ted Pincus, Michael Freedman, Stphen Stowe, Cecily Falkenstein, Martin Coopersmith, Geraldine Klein, Leonard Stern, Lorraine Buchbinder.

Chanukah Party

The Teen Age Groups are planning their second annual *Chanukah* Dance and Luncheon to be held on Sunday afternoon, December 18 at 3:00 P.M. If last year's event is to be used as a guide, a very enjoyable afternoon is in the offering for all who attend. Admission for members is free. Children of Synagogue members may apply for tickets to Hy Sankel, Director of Youth Activities.

Friday Night Services

An integral phase of the program of all our youth groups is the development of a closer kinship and identification with Judaism. We feel that our group has now progressed to the extent that they can successfully sponsor and conduct a full Friday Night Service on December 16.

The theme they have selected is the "Relationship of Judaism and Democracy." After the service, a panel discussion will take place where the young people will express their opinions on this subject.

The participants in this Friday evening services will be: Cantor—Alan Mehlman, Kiddush—Ted Pincus, Responsive Reading—Ted Zucker, Joan Rubinstein, John Stangel, Stephen Stowe. Sermon—Michael Friedman, John Kogan, Alice Heyman. Panel — Doris Wimpfheimer, Chairman; Martin Coopersmith, Leonard Stern, David Roberts, Cecily Falkenstein. Hostesses—Lorraine Buchbinder in charge.

Chanukah Party — Dec. 11

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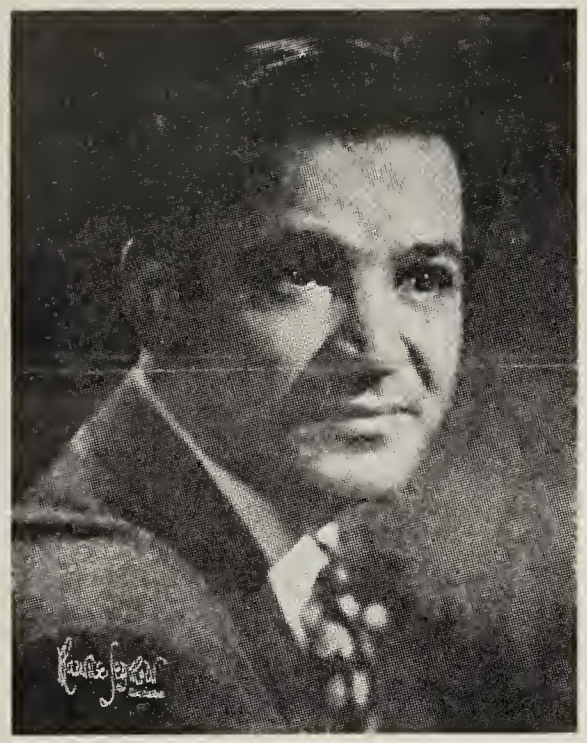
Broadway success, "Mrs. McThing." He is well known at Versailles and at the Ruban Bleu, where he is playing a return engagement. To insure greater enjoyment for the audience, Prof. Corey has requested that the nature of his act be kept a secret.



IRWIN COREY

Another artist to appear will be Miss Florence Holland a lyric soprano, who has been recently engaged for her first season with the Metropolitan Opera House Association. She will be accompanied by Miss Joyce Raymond at the piano. Miss Holland has appeared in the Gilbert and Sullivan Players' production of "The Mikado" and in the opera "Hansel and Gretel." She has also played the lead in "Pirates of Penzance" and in "Gondolier."

After the entertainment, refreshments will be served under the capable supervision of Mrs. Aaron Schoenbaum, chairman of hospitality, and her committee. Mrs. Adolf Stangel will be in charge of decorating the auditorium in keeping with the spirit of Chanukah.

Sisterhood Luncheon

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chairman, Mrs. Solomon Green; Treasurer, Mrs. Saul Granetts; Souvenir Journal, Mrs. Tubie Resnik; Entertainment, Mrs. Louis Grossman, Mrs. Edward Peiper, Mrs. Jacob Starr; Gifts, Mrs. Edward Munves, Mrs. Samuel Wimpfheimer; Gift books, Mrs. Mack Fieber; Hostesses, Mrs. Abraham N. Geller, Mrs. Milton Heller; Publicity, Mrs. David Altschul.

Schedule of Coming Synagogue Events

December 9, 8:30 P.M. — Friday Evening Service
Men's Club Sabbath—West Point Jewish Chapel Choir
Brig. General Melvin L. Krulewitch will speak

December 10, 9:30 A.M. — Sabbath Morning Service (1st Day *Chanukah*)
Bar Mitzvah of David Alberts

December 11, 8:30 P.M. — Congregation *Chanukah* party
Sponsored by Parents Association—entertainment

December 12, 12 Noon — Sisterhood Diamond Jubilee
Luncheon at Hotel Biltmore; Reserved seats at Radio City Music Hall

December 12, 8:30 P.M. — Monday night Adult Education Courses
Dr. Sidney Kosofsky will speak on "Children and Parents" (social hall on 5th floor)
Dr. Arthur Hyman will speak on "The Remote God" (Room 300)
Dr. Hayse Cooperman will speak on "Yiddish Literature and Culture" (Sisterhood Lounge)

December 13, 8:30 P.M. — Young Marrieds Group
Reverend George B. Ford of Corpus Christ Church will speak

December 14, 8:30 P.M. — Senior League
Mr. Bernard Weinflash will speak on "The Emotional Stock Market"

December 16, 8:30 P.M. — Friday Evening Service
Teen-Age Youth Service

December 17, 9:30 A.M. — Sabbath Morning Service
Bar Mitzvah of Jonathan Ostriker

December 19, 8:30 P.M. — Monday night Adult Education Courses
Dr. Sidney Kosofsky will speak on "Family Status" (social hall on 5th floor)
Dr. Arthur Hyman will speak on "Philosophers Interpret Job" (Room 300)

December 20, 8:30 P.M. — Men's Club Meeting
Mr. Seymour Berkson, Publisher of the N. Y. Journal-American will speak

December 22, 8:00 P.M. — College Youth party

School News

By MARTIN LEICHTLING

On Saturday evening, December 10, at 5:30 P.M. students of the Hebrew Department will hold their annual Chanukah Party in the Synagogue auditorium. The supper party will be supervised by the teachers and the Class Mothers Committee of the Parents Association headed by Mrs. Sam Deutch and Mrs. Joseph Rubenstein. The program will include the Havdalah, a candle-lighting ceremony, holiday songs and games, social and folk dancing called by Jack Landman.

On Sunday morning, December 11, individual class parties will be held by the students in the Primary Department. The Class Mothers will, once again, add to the festivities by serving the students the traditional latkes and applesauce.

The distribution of report cards to the students in the Hebrew Department will take place during the month of December.

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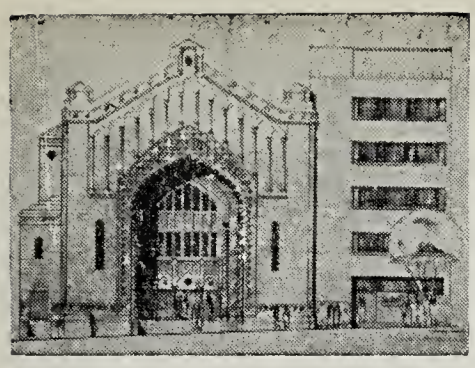

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Sisterhood News

By Mrs. David Altschul

Sisterhood's annual donor luncheon was a huge success. The Chairman, Mrs. J. Easton Holzman, and her Co-Chairman, Mrs. Solomon Green, had good reason to be gratified at the result of their efforts. There was a fine turnout, and a very enjoyable afternoon was had by all.

Sisterhood is very proud to be the sponsor of three flags to be presented to the Girl Scouts. The date for this presentation will be announced in the near future.

Two date to reserve:
Tuesday, January 17—Open Meeting
Friday, February 3—Sisterhood Sabbath

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Sponsored by the "Young Marrieds"

Young Marrieds

By Mrs. Maxine Mamelok

You just can't lose. Everyone is a winner at the January 14 Las Vegas affair. This exciting event featuring "gamblin' games, free money, refreshments and dancing" promises to be one of the gayest evenings yet.

The affair comes at a most opportune time, namely, the first anniversary of the dedication of the new Steinberg edifice. We, the Young Marrieds, feel especially proud that one of our own members Robert Greenstein, was the architect who designed the structure. It is safe to assume that the Synagogue membership will support the group in their efforts to contribute to the building fund.

Co-Chairmen Rose Krones and Don Schlesinger report sales of $5.00 per couple tickets zooming. While making out your New Year resolutions, include attending the January 14 affair as one "resolution" you intend to keep!

Second Semester of Adult Classes Begins Monday Evening, January 9

The Committee on Adult Education is sponsoring another series of Monday evening lectures and discussion courses which will begin on January 9 and continue for six weeks.

Among the classes planned for the first hour, from 8:00 to 8:55 P.M., are the following:

Prayer—Its Meaning In The Jewish Liturgy

—Professor Albert Salomon

This special course will be conducted by Dr. Albert Salomon, a member of our Congregation and a member of the Graduate Faculty of Political and Social Science of the New School, and promises to be of great interest to our congregants.

The class will continue for nine sessions and will cover such topics as: The Pattern of Prayer, The Prayers of Affirmation, The Prayers of Repentance, The Prayers of Redemption, The Psalms as Part of the Liturgy, The Santification of the Name, The Holy Spirit, and The Synagogue: The Ritual and the Pious.

Choral Music

—Cantor David J. Putterman

This course in the singing of traditional Synagogue melodies will culminate in the presentation of a complete Sabbath evening service. It is available to all, regardless of previous lack of singing experience.

Elementary Hebrew

—Mrs. Dora Whartman

A continuation of the first semester's class for the beginning student.

Intermediate Hebrew

—Mr. Baruch Hochman

For those who have some background in Hebrew.

Bible Class

—Dr. Arthur Hyman

Details regarding the latter course and the major lecture series at 9:00 P.M. will be announced in the next issue of the Bulletin.

SCHOOL RECESS

The Religious School will begin its annual winter vacation on Saturday morning, December 24. Students will report back to classes on Tuesday, January 3, 1956.

Students, who are in the city during the winter recess, are invited to attend the Sabbath morning services which are held in the main synagogue during the vacation period.

Schedule of Services

Friday Evening, December 23 ..... 8:30 P.M.
Rabbi Simon Noveck will speak on
"Judaism and the Rise of Christianity"

Saturday Morning, December 24 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of William Panzer
Rabbi Noveck will deliver the sermon

Friday Evening, December 30 ..... 8:30 P.M.
Rabbi Simon Noveck will speak on
"Retrospect and Prospect"—A New Year Sermon

Saturday Morning, December 31 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will deliver the sermon

Daily Minyan Service Every Evening
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Some Observations On Men's Club Sabbath Service

Friday, December 9, may be just another day on the calendar, but it will be a date long to be remembered in the annals of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

This was to be the annual Sabbath Evening service sponsored by the Men's Club, the usual evening service with Rabbi Noveck and Cantor Putterman officiating. But from the moment that the first congregants began to arrive for the services and singing of the opening lines of "*Lechu Neranenoh*", Psalm 95, one could almost feel that this was to be an unusual, outstanding event in the Park Avenue Synagogue. Even before services began, the synagogue was filled to capacity and hardly a vacant seat could be found.

The presence of the West Point Jewish Chapel Choir from the United States Military Academy, coming as it did on the eve of the first day of *Chanukah*, was most appropriate. These cadets symbolized the spirit of the Maccabees, as well as the faith that has enabled the Jew to survive through the ages, despite so many attempts to destroy him even in modern times. As the voices of these young men in military uniform blended so harmoniously with that of our own Cantor Putterman and the synagogue choir in the chanting of the Sabbath prayers in traditional style, one was easily aware of the pardonable pride that thrilled the audience and the emotion that filled their hearts.

Here was visible evidence of the public identification of these Jewish cadets with their Jewish ancestors and the manifestation of Americanism in the truest democratic spirit. In full dress gray uniforms, they made an inspiring sight against the Byzantine background of the beautiful Ark of our synagogue, a blending of the old with the new. To hear these West Pointers chant the Sabbath prayers was a real treat, and when the final "*Ulanu*" prayer was reached, it seemed as if the service had ended all too soon.

In a brief address, Milton M. Sivek, president of Men's Club, welcomed the congregation, and then introduced General Melvin L. Krulewitch, one of its members, as the guest speaker. General Krulewitch, recently appointed a Brigadier General of the USMCR by President Eisenhower, is the first Jew to have attained that rank in the Marine Corps.

In his speech, General Krulewitch referred to the spirit and meaning of *Chanukah*, and to the constant struggle that is being waged for the mind of man, even in our own times. His wit and humor added to the festive spirit of the *Chanukah* holiday, as he related some of his personal experiences during his long combat service, commencing with World War I, when he held the title of sergeant, up to the Korean conflict, when he had achieved the rank of Colonel.

At the conclusion of the religious services, the cadets, under the baton of their director, Sgt. R. Huffman, offered several musical selections. When it was over and the audience slowly filed out of the synagogue, the emotional impact of the grandeur and the solemnity of the occasion was reflected in their countenances.

Prior to coming to the syagogue, the cadets were the dinner guests of the Men's Club, who also provided them with overnight hotel accommodations. Unfortunately, the limited time available to the Pointers did not permit them to accept the many invitations of our members who offered them the hospitality of their homes in true Jewish spirit.

To Cantor David Putterman go our thanks for the excellent manner in which he was able to coordinate the musical portion of the service with the cadets and the synagogue choir, with only an hour's rehearsal.

Special credit for this memorable evening goes to Milton M. Sivek, president of Men's Club, who spearheaded this affair and gave so much of his time and energy in its planning; to Judge Maxwell Shapiro, who arranged to have Park Avenue Synagogue selected for one of the unusual public appearances of the West Point Jewish Chapel Choir; to Julian Jacobs, who was in general charge of arrangements; and to Sidney R. Katz, our Executive Director, who was always available to the Men's Club in helping to make this enjoyable function possible.

And to the Men's Club, our congratulations and grateful thanks for an inspiring evening.

NELSON RUTTENBERG
Chairman of the BULLETIN

Religious Education Is Not Job of Public Schools, Say Rabbis

That religious education is the responsibility of church, synagogue and home —not the public school—was the tenor of several hundred sermons preached by rabbis in New York.

The theme was suggested last month by the New York Board of Rabbis, which earlier had taken issue with a proposed guide of spiritual and moral values for public school teachers. The guide is under consideration by the Board of Education.

The rabbinical group represents Orthodox, Conservative and Reform rabbis in New York. Rabbi Emanuel Rackman, president of the Board of Rabbis, asserted in his sermon that "we cannot permit sectarian religion to take over the public school system simply because church and synagogue crave an easy solution to their problems."

In appealing to the Protestants, he declared "We plead with the Protestants especially, to be loyal to their own liberal tradition and save the very system of education which they originally espoused.

Rabbi Alan A. Steinback, president of the Brooklyn Association of Reform Rabbis, said that "we must never forget that the separation of church and state is the very foundation stone upon which the super-structure of our American demorcracy has been builded. The intrusion of religion into our public schools is a frontal attack upon the principle of separation of church and state, and we are duty-bound, as loyal Americans, to oppose this intrusion with undiminished energy."

Rabbi Edward E. Klein, chairman of the social action committee of the New York Board of Rabbis, said in his Sabbath sermon: "At an hour when democracy is sorely tried let us not place intolerable burdens upon it in the pursuit of sectarian aims."

Condolences

Mr. Philip Mittenthal — Loss of brother Jacob.

Mr. A. M. Weinberg — Loss of mother Lena.

Mrs. Melvin Weisbart—Loss of sister.

Message From Men's Club President

Now that the Men's Club Sabbath Service has past, may I extend to all those who helped to make this occasion possible, my warmest thanks and gratitude. The enthusiastic messages that have come to me by telephone and mail are a sufficient reward for the meticulous preparation and planning that was involved in this grand endeavor.

First, to the West Point cadets, a magnificent group of forty-four Jewish young men, who by their impeccable manners, their impressive appearance, and their fine voices, endeared themselves to the entire congregation and contributed to make this special Sabbath service an unusual spiritual experience.

Secondly, to the overwhelming and most responsive audience whose presence in large numbers always assists in making a Sabbath service worship more enjoyable and meaningful.

Then to those who helped; Judge Maxwell Shapiro, who conceived the idea of inviting the West Pointers, planned for their overnight accommodations, and arranged for a police escort so that they were able to maintain their rigid time schedule.

Julian Jacobs, to whom was assigned the task of organizing the reception dinner for the cadets, an event that reflected his constant attention to every detail.

Chazzan David Putterman, who was able to coordinate the musical portion of the service in the one hour which was allotted for rehearsing with the cadets.

General Krulewitch who, in a brief address filled with subtle humor and meaningful content, captured the festive and spiritual atmosphere of the service.

Nelson Ruttenberg, whose guidance immeasurably assisted in the publicity for the BULLETIN; and Martin Miller who helped to formulate the provocative letter which was sent to our congregation.

Sidney R. Katz, our Executive Director, across whose desk passed a myriad of details and who disposed of them with efficiency and dispatch.

And finally, to the members of the Board of Directors of the Men's Club, some of whom with their wives, acted as hosts during the dinner; and to the others who acted as ushers during the service; to all of them my gratitude and thanks for their help in this labor of love.

MILTON M. SIVEK

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Congratulations

Mr. and Mrs. Bela Adler—Birth of Son, and to his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Sack.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Silberman—Birth of Daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Herwitz—Engagement of Daughter Ellen to Franklin M. Fisher.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Block—Engagement of Son Irwin H. to Harriet Joan Katzman.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Katz—Marriage of Daughter Ruth Doreen to Paul H. Haberman.

Dr. David H. Moskowitz To be Sisterhood Speaker

Dr. David H. Moskowitz will address the Sisterhood at its Tuesday, January 17 meeting.

He is expected to talk about the National Conference on Education recently completed at the White House to which he was a delegate.

Dr. Moskowitz is Associate Superintendant of Schools of the Board of Education of New York City, and is the father of Mrs. Sigmund Siegel, former President of Sisterhood of Park Avenue Synagogue.

Youth Activities

By HY SANKEL

The phenominal growth of our Youth Activities Division has necessitated the closing of registration in the Cubs, Brownies and Teen Age Groups. Our present staff is no longer equipped to absorb new members. The teen age group has a constantly growing waiting list. However, children of synagogue members receive preferential treatment and may be admitted by application to the Youth Activities Director. Encourage your children to participate in the varied cultural, social and religious activities of this club.

Girl Scouts have been very busy during the past weeks making gifts for the under-privileged children of our neighborhood at the Union Settlement. They have also mastered new skills in cooking. At a recent election Joan Levy and Phyllis Pollner were elected Patrol Leaders. The Girl Scouts are led by Mrs. Stanley Simon. Mrs. William Miller is co-leader.

T. R. Racoosin Named Emergency Chairman

Theodore R. Racoosin, a member of the Park Avenue Synagogue for many years, and a brother of the late Amy Putterman, was named national chairman of the newly formed National Zionist Committee for the United Jewish Appeal's emergency campaign.

The committee's task is to mobilize Zionists in communities throughout the country for the raising of funds to be used for rehabilitation and resettlement programs in Israel. Mr. Racoosin recently returned from Israel and North Africa.

Ruttenberg Honored by Jewish National Fund

In connection with dedicating its new building, the Jewish National Fund honored their past National Presidents by presenting each of them with a golden key to their new building as an expression of affection and gratitude for the service they had rendered in the past.

Amongst those so honored was Nelson Ruttenberg, Treasurer of the Park Avenue Synagogue who had been National President of the Jewish National Fund from 1931 to 1933.

Parents Association Activities

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

At a recent tea held at the home of Mrs. Sam Deutsch, 530 East 90th Street, Class Mothers for the Religious School were appointed by the Parents Association for the coming year.

It is the function of the Class Mothers to plan and to supervise individual classroom parties, to conduct the *Kiddush* ceremony following the Junior Congregation Sabbath services, and to supervise the social activities of the young people. Mrs. Sam Deutsch and Mrs. Joseph E. Rubinstein are co-chairmen of this important phase of the activities of Parents Association. The Class Mothers are as follows:

Primary Department

Class 1
Mrs. Allen Krulick, 1125 Park Ave.
Mrs. Murray Remet, 12 East 86th St.

Class 2 A
Mrs. James Leff, 26 East 91st St.
Mrs. Nathan Somberg, 25 East 86th St.

Class 2 B
Mrs. Elmer Arluck, 430 East 86th St.
Mrs. Herbert Berger, 114 East 90th St.

Class 3 A
Mrs. Daniel Beere, 515 East 86th St.
Mrs. Charles Keleman, 114 East 84th St.

Class 3 B
Mrs. Martin Hirtz, 1125 Park Ave.
Mrs. Sidney Miller, 1035 Park Ave.

Class 4 A
Mrs. Louis Rosenblatt, 51 East 78th St.

Class 4 B
Mrs. Manuel Miller, 1435 Lex. Ave.
Mrs. Mark Zabor, 179 East 85th St.

Hebrew Department

Class 1 A
Mrs. Martin Clyman, 55 East 86th St.
Mrs. Belle Merrit, 103 East 86th St.

Class 1 B
Mrs. Alex Fein, 444 East 85th St.
Mrs. Irving Nemeroff, 325 East 80th St.

Class 1 T
Mrs. Milton Brown, 130 East 94th St.
Mrs. Milton Schore, 223 East 83rd St.

Class 2 A
Mrs. William Tapper, 51 East 90th St.
Mrs. Arthur Wiener, 17 East 89th St.

Class 2 B
Mrs. Eric Steibel, 128 Central Pk. West

Class 2 T
Mrs. Jack Alberts, 166 East 92nd St.
Mrs. Jack Kurzweil, 12 East 97th St.

Class 3 A
Mrs. Herbert Nieburgs, 4 East 95th St.

Class 3 B
Mrs. Mortimer Feinberg, 45 E. 82nd St.

Schedule of Coming Synagogue Events

December 23, 8:30 P.M. — Friday Evening Service
Rabbi Noveck will speak on "Judaism and the Rise of Christianity"

December 24, 9:30 A.M. — Sabbath Morning Service
Bar Mitzvah of William Panzer

December 30, 8:30 P.M. — Friday Evening Service

December 31, 9:30 A.M. — Sabbath Morning Service

During the *Chanukah* festival, the Class Mothers planned several Sunday morning parties at which the traditional latkes and apple sauce were served to the children. On Saturday evening, December 10, a supper party and square dance was held in the Lemberg Auditorium for the young people of the Hebrew School.

A splendid workshop containing an exhibit of various objects pertaining to *Chanukah* was conducted by Mrs. Stanley Simon and Mrs. Adolph Stangel. Instructions for making these as well as pamphlets on the home observance of this festival were available to parents and youngsters.

The annual Congregational *Chanukah* party held on Sunday evening, December 11, and sponsored by the Parents Association, attracted a large number of members of the congregation and their friends.

Rabbi Noveck and Cantor Putterman participated in the kindling of the *Chanukah* lights. After a greeting of welcome by Mrs. Herman Helpern, president of the Parents Association. Mr. Ezra Cohen, chairman of the Board of Trustees, spoke briefly.

Prof. Irwin Corey, a well known pantominist and humorist, and Miss Florence Holland, a lyric soprano, entertained the guests.

Mrs. Hector Ritey was chairman of the affair, and Mrs. Bruno Foa and Mrs. Aaron Schoenbaum were in charge of the refreshments. As usual, the charming transformation of the auditorium and the novel table appointments were the artistic work of Mrs. Adolph Stangel, chairman of decorations.

Ceremonial objects for festivals and all occasions are on sale by the gift chairman of Sisterhood, Mrs. Milton Heller. For information, please ask at the Synagogue office.

Mrs. Sigmund Siegel, Mrs. Benjamin Sack Resume UJA Chairmanships

Park Avenue Synagogue continues its role of contributing to city-wide leadership from its own women leadership as well as men.

Mrs. Sigmund Siegel has just been elected by United Jewish Appeal as Co-Chairman of the Women's Division of Greater New York. She also continues, for the third year in a row, as Chairman of the Manhattan Women's organizations.

Mrs. Benjamin Sack is now serving for the first time as special gifts Chairman for the Manhattan women's organizations, in addition to continuing her previous responsibilities as UJA Chairman for Sisterhood of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

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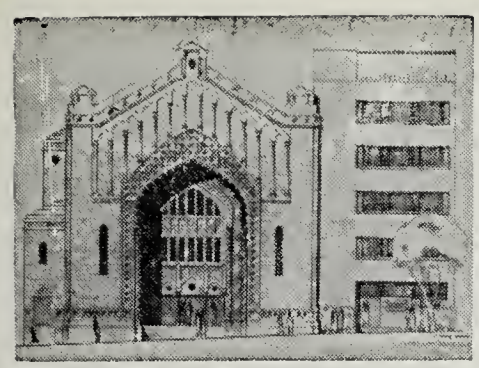

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Sisterhood Sabbath Friday, February 3

The Sisterhood of Park Avenue Synagogue will have Friday night, February 3 set aside as their special Sabbath.

Mrs. L. W. Max, known to many of our members as Pearl Bernstein, will address the Congregants at the Services.

Young Marrieds Las Vegas Night

By Mrs. Maxine Mamelok

In 19 days, 456 hours, 27,360 minutes from the writing of this article the fruits of our labors will be realized. For, on January 14, 1956 the fabulous Las Vegas affair will occur. All the efforts of the Young Marrieds, will be turned towards making this evening of fun one of the most enjoyable events of the Synagogue's social calendar. In addition to the fact, that the funds will be contributed to the Milton Steinberg Memorial Fund.

We're expecting! Yes, we're expecting a pleasant surprise when Robert Greenstein and Dave Namias discuss their respective vocations. For you the harassed, tired and discouraged house hunters and builders, Bob Greenstein will attempt to eradicate your architectural headaches. For the financial wizards of our group, Dave Namias will discuss various phases of exporting and importing.

This informative evening will take place on Tuesday, January 10 at 8:30 P.M. As many of the old members may recall, last year's similar program proved to be an enormous success.

Leo Schwarz to Speak Friday Evening, January 13

Mr. Leo Schwarz, well-known writer and Jewish historian, will be the guest speaker at the Friday evening Service on January 13, sponsored by the Committee on Adult Education.

Talking on the theme "Ideas In Search of a Home," Mr. Schwarz contends that the preoccupation of American Jews with institutional ritual on the one hand, and the latest intellectual fashions (like psychiatry, existentialism, etc.), is an almost certain road to anonymity. It has resulted in the masculation of Judaism and the (often unconscious) dejudization of Jewish thoughtways and lifeways. He will discuss such problems as: What of dual allegiance? Do American Jews live in Exile (Golus)? Are Jewish "segregation" and the program of Day Schools obscruantist? Is a creative Judaism in mid-twentieth century America an illusion?

LEO SCHWARZ

Following the Services, a discussion of these controversial issues to be held in the Auditorium will undoubtedly contribute to a most stimulating evening.

Mr. Schwarz was born in New York City and educated at Harvard. He has devoted himself to the elucidation and interpretation of the Jewish literary and historical heritage. His series of anthologies, like *The Jewish Caravan* and *A Golden Treasury of Jewish Literature* have been best sellers and have become standard in their field. He has traveled and lectured widely in the United States, Europe and Israel.

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Schedule of Services

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Rabbi Simon Noveck will speak on "Spinoza and Judaism"

Saturday Morning, January 21 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Kenneth Morse
Rabbi Noveck will speak

The Bar Mitzvah of Charles Kaiser and John Levy took place on Saturday Morning, January 7.

Daily Minyan Service Every Evening
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From the Desk of the Bulletin Chairman

"Judaism and Psychiatry" is the title of a book recently published by the National Academy for Adult Jewish Studies. Its editor, Rabbi Simon Noveck, has described it as the first real attempt "to explore what Jewish tradition in particular has to teach about modern man's emotional problems."

This new book, the first to relate ancient Jewish teaching to modern psychological techniques, is based on a series of lectures planned by Rabbi Noveck and held at the Park Avenue Synagogue under the sponsorship of the Adult Education Committee. The lectures were given as part of the Friday Evening Lecture Series at which several outstanding psychiatrists and leading rabbis discussed, each from his own viewpoint, the basic problems of modern man.

In view of the large number attending these lectures dealing with religion and human needs, Rabbi Noveck decided that there was a real need for such a publication. "Judaism and Psychiatry" is the result of revising and editing these lectures and the supplemental material supplied by Rabbi Noveck. It is divided into three parts: "Basic Problems in Personal Living", "Psychological Values of Judaism", and "Can Judaism and Psychiatry Meet?" In addition to editing this book, Rabbi Noveck has contributed a chapter on "A Jewish View of Grief."

The National Academy for Adult Jewish Studies, the publisher, is the educational department of the United Synagogue of America. Rabbi Noveck, who recently received his Doctor of Philosophy degree from Columbia University, is director of the academy.

NELSON RUTTENBERG
Bulletin Chairman

Final Sabbath Service Of Calendar Year 1955

On Saturday, December 31, the day 1955 breathed its last, the Park Avenue Synagogue was in a blaze of glory. On that day, several of our congregants attended with their families to celebrate an important event in their respective lives.

First there was Joseph Howard Katz, a member of the Board and a "Cohen", who had the first *Aliyah* in honor of his 22nd wedding anniversary. Marian, his charming wife, was also present to receive blessings.

Three generations of Altmarks were represented at the Synagogue, when Edward Munves, Jr. was called to the *Torah* for an *Aliyah* in honor of the birth of his newly born daughter, who was named in traditional fashion. In the absence of Rabbi Noveck, who was visiting his parents in Detroit, Hazzan Putterman recited the blessings in Hebrew and English, and gave to the new father, the certificate officially inscribing his daughter as a member of the Park Avenue Synagogue. Besides the child's father, the child's grandmother, Frankie Munves, and the child's great grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Altmark were also present to celebrate the happy occasion.

Mr. Sam Allan, another member of our Synagogue, was called to the *Torah* for an *Aliyah* in honor of the 29th wedding anniversary of Mr. Allan and his wife.

The final *Aliyah* went to Zev Putterman, son of Cantor Putterman, who was present with his fiance, Constance Knebel, whose marriage was to take place the following day. As the final words of the book of Genesis were read, "*Chazak, Chazak, Ve Nis Chazak*"—"Be strong, be strong, let us all be strong together," all of the worshippers stood and recited the blessings for the entire congregation. The beautiful "bridal bible" was presented to his intended daughter-in-law by Cantor Putterman, who invoked the three-fold blessing upon the couple.

Mr. Isidor Hahn was granted the honor of reciting the *Maftir* in celebration of the fifth wedding anniversary of his son, Rabbi Sanford Hahn, a former student at our Religious School, and his wife Carol. It was a real treat to hear Mr. Hahn chant the blessings and *Maftir* in the traditional fashion.

Other *Aliyahs* were given to Mr. I. B. Oseas, a member of the Board, and one of the regular attendants at our Sabbath Services; to Harry Altmark, who became a great-grandfather, and who serves as one of the regular Gabbais at the Sabbath Services.

And so ended a beautiful, dignified, and meaningful service, as the calendar year 1955 was heading for a final salute.

I have written this brief resume of our Sabbath Service, as a new feature, at the request of the Bulletin Chairman, who feels that many of our congregants, who may be unable to attend Sabbath Services regularly, would be interested in knowing what took place in their Synagogue during their absence.

JACOB KLEIN
President

Lord of Tiberias

The Jewish Theatre for Children will open its Tenth Anniversary season with the presentation of a new play, "Lord of Tiberias." The students of the Religious School are invited to attend the performance on Sunday afternoon, February 12 at the Joan of Arc Playhouse, 154 West 93rd Street. Tickets are 75 cents and may be purchased at the school office.

The play, "Lord of Tiberias," deals with the first attempt in comparatively modern times at the re-establishment, by political means, of a Jewish homeland in the land of Israel.

Junior Congregation Elections

In a closely contested election, marked by enthusiastic oratory and colorful campaign poster, the following officers were elected to head the Junior Congregation for the year 1955-56: President, David Reichman; Vice-President, Elliot Zucker and Treasurer, Elliot Bien.

The students in Class I of the Hebrew Department also selected the leaders of their congregation for the year. The responsibilities of this younger congregation were entrusted to President Pascal Kaplan, Vice-Presidents Bram Andrews and Ralph Bien.

The elected officers and two representatives from each of the classes in the Hebrew Department make up the student government of the school. They conduct the Junior Congregation services; plan for social events for the school; and seek to develop an extensive co-curricular program for the school.

Adult Classes to Resume Monday Eve., January 16

The Committee on Adult Education has announced that the second semester of the adult classes will start on Monday evening, January 16, instead of January 9, as previously announced.

The following classes are planned to run for six successive Monday evenings from 8:00 to 8:55 P.M.

I. THE BOOK OF ISAIAH

—Dr. Arthur Hyman

This course, based on a careful study of the first thirty-nine chapters of the *Book of Isaiah*, will deal with the fundamental religious and ethical ideas of the Prophet. It will consider them as representative examples of the Prophetic Mind and it will treat their importance in Jewish and world literature.

On January 16, Dr. Hyman will discuss THE PROPHET AND HIS TIME —The Historical and literary background of the *Book*.

On January 23 he will discuss SOCIAL CONDUCT AND RITUAL—Their relative importance in the Religious life.

II. CHORAL MUSIC

—Cantor David J. Putterman

This course in the singing of traditional Synagogue melodies will culminate in the presentation of a complete Sabbath Evening Service. It is available to all regardless of previous lack of singing experience.

III. ELEMENTARY HEBREW

—Mrs. Drora Whartman

A continuation of the first semester's class for the beginning student.

IV. INTERMEDIATE HEBREW

—Mr. Baruch Hochman

For those who have some background in Hebrew.

At 9 P.M. the major lecture series FAITHS JEWS LIVE BY will continue for six weeks with a discussion of Hassidism, Orthodox and Reform Judaism and four Milton Steinberg Memorial Lectures on Conservative Judaism.

At the opening session on January 16, Rabbi Noveck will talk on HASSIDISM—AN EMOTIONAL APPROACH TO JUDAISM. He will discuss the philosophy of Hassidism as it is being taught at the present time, and will describe the original contributions of the Baal Shem Tov, the founder of Hassidism. He will then trace the history and background of the Movement during the past 200 years in Europe and indicate the changes that have taken place in America. The Rabbi will also discuss the influence of this ideology on American Jews in recent years. RECENT TRENDS IN ORTHODOX JUDAISM will be the subject discussed on January 23.

Youth Sabbath Service

By Hy Sankel

The first Friday Night Service held on December 16, 1955, under the auspices of the Youth Activities Committee gave indications of the tremendous possibilities for building closer ties between the youth of our community and the Synagogue. It has been many a year since our Synagogue has seen a Friday Night Service attended by so many teen-age youth—more than a hunderd were present.

Not only did they conduct and participate in the service, but at an Oneg Shabbat held in the Auditorium, they organized a panel discussion which enabled many of the young folk to express their reactions and opinions of the sermon which was entitled, "Judaism and Democracy."

It was a thrilling experience for the Congregants present to see these adolescent boys and girls who are usually such a treat and a tribulation to their elders during this difficult period of development, reaffirm their loyalty and devotion to Judaism in so meaningful a manner.

Alan Mehlman, who acted as Cantor, performed superbly. He more than jusified the expert and careful training he had received from Hazzan Putterman. The sermon delivered by John Kogan and Michael Friedman was a penetrating analysis of the relationship between Judaism as taught in the Bible and practiced by Jews with the concept of Democracy.

Ted Pincus chanted the *Kiddush*. Responsive Readings were led by Cecily Falkenstein, Stephen Stowe, John Stangel, Phyllis Brody, Joan Rubinstein and Ted Zucker.

The panel was ably led by Doris Wimpfheimer. The members were: Martin Coopersmith, Leonard Stern and Cecily Falkenstein. Lorrainne Buchbinder acted as hostess. Mrs. Nancy Rubinstein was chairman of the refreshment committee.

Library Committee Solicits Contributions

By Mrs. Vicky Wimpfheimer

The Library Committee is now formulating policy for the library, purchasing books, and collecting books. It is our desire to have a library collection which will be worthy of the Milton Steinberg tradition. We hope to have the cooperation of all the members of the Congregation in this project. We would suggest if any books are available that could be used by adults and children, that they be sent to the Synagogue. In addition, contributions to buy books would be most appreciated.

College Party

The Youth Activities Committee this year extended its scope to include college age youth of Synagogue members. The first party was held on Thursday evening, December 22 and turned out to be a huge success. Not only did it provide an evening of entertainment but it provided the means for the young people to meet each other under Synagogue auspices, renew friendships and make new acquaintances.

Credits for the success of this pioneer event go to the two indefatigable workers who spent many hours preparing for this party. They were Mrs. Mina Schoenbaum, chairman, and Mrs. Nelson Ruttenberg, her co-chairman. Mrs. Foa assisted in the preparations. Their efforts were rewarded by the wonderful evening accorded to these young folk.

The evening proved such a great success that at 11:00 P.M. it required coercion to send the young people home. They are all looking forward to the next college event.

Professor Salomon Course To Start February 27

In order to avoid a conflict in attendance with the adult education classes to be given at 8 P.M., Professor Albert Salomon will hold his course on PRAYER —ITS MEANING IN THE JEWISH LITURGY at the completion of these courses. His class will begin on Monday evening, February 27 and will continue on successive Mondays through April 30. Those wishing to register for this course may do so by writing to the Committee on Adult Education at the Synagogue.

Dr. David H. Moskowitz Speaker at Sisterhood Meeting

By MRS. DAVID ALTSCHUL

At Sisterhood's Open Meeting on Tuesday, January 17, the guest speaker will be Dr. David H. Moskowitz, associate superintendent of schools of the Board of Education of New York City. Dr. Moskowitz, who is also well known as a lecturer and writer on educational problems, will speak on "American Education at the Crossroads." He holds special interest for Sisterhood, since he is the father of our own Phyllis Siegel.

An innovation at this meeting will be the serving of luncheon at noon. Be sure to come on time so that our meeting will start promptly.

On exhibit at the meeting will be the beautiful tablecloth embroidered for the Milton Steinberg House by Mrs. Anna Edelman. Chairman of the project, Mrs. Milton Heller, says it is a work of art that represents a labor of love. Come and find your name from among the 1500 embroidered on the cloth.

DR. DAVID H. MOSKOWITZ

Sisterhood Presents Flags to Girl Scouts

Mrs. William Karmiol, the president of Sisterhood formally presented troop flags to the Brownies and Girl Scouts in an impressive ceremony during the Friday Night Youth Service on December 16. In her address to the congregation, Mrs. Karmiol told of her pride in the Synagogue for its comprehensive scout program. She felt that the flags were not being presented only to Scouts, but also to future Sisterhood members. Mrs. Stanley Simon, Scout leader, graciously accepted the flags on behalf of the troops.

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Bar Mitzvah of James Fogelson

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Entertainment, dancing and refreshments

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Dr. Arthur Hyman will speak on "The Prophet and His Time"
Mrs. Whartman Elementary Hebrew Class
Mr. Hochman Intermediate Hebrew Class
9:00 P.M. Rabbi Simon Noveck will speak on "Hassidism"

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Congratulations

Congratulations to Hazzan David J. Putterman—Marriage of son W. Zev Putterman to Constance Knebel. (Due to the fact that the Cantor's family is still in mourning, the wedding was private.)

Dr. and Mrs. I Brodsky—Engagement of daughter Barbara to Elliot J. Smth.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Davidson—Birth of granddaughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Munves—Birth of granddaughter Elizabeth and to the great grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Z. Altmark.

Dr. and Mrs. Morris Bien—Birth of a son, Michael William.

Dr. and Mrs. Jacob Easton Holzman —marriage of their son Jac 2nd to Miss Iris Angela Merrick.

Leo Schwarz to Speak

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A new volume in Mr. Schwarz' anthology series, designed for teenagers, *Feast of Leviathan*, will be published next spring. Also to be published this year is a one volume history, *The Great Ages and Ideas of the Jewish People.*

Condolences

Mrs. Benjamin Gross — Loss of brother Max Shivetz.

Mrs. William Karmiol — Loss of mother Mrs. Ann Brody.

Mrs. Samuel Kaplan—Loss of brother Henry Charles Rosenbaum.

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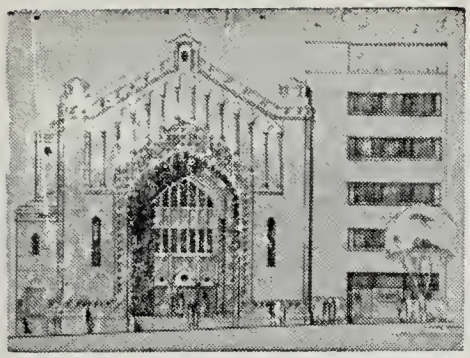

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Annual Congregational Meeting Set for Jan. 29

At a meeting of the Board of the Board of Trustees held January 8, the Nominating Committee, consisting of Nelson Ruttenberg, chairman, Harry Halbren, Dr. Harold Osserman, Harry J. Sokolow, and Dr. Seymour Wimpfheimer, submitted a proposed slate of officers and trustees to be elected at the annual congregational meeting which has been set for January 29.

The Nominating Committee, in presenting its report, expressed the earnest hope that the slate of officers to be approved by the Board would achieve peace and harmony within the Synagogue ranks.

After a lengthy discussion, the Board of Trustees approved the following list of officers and trustees which will be presented for election at the annual congregational meeting:
Honorary President, Jacob Friedman, President, Jacob Klein; 1st Vice-Presi-

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Jewish Music Month to be Celebrated at Friday Evening Service, January 27

On Friday evening, January 27 at 8:30 P.M. the Park Avenue Synagogue will celebrate Jewish Music Month with a special program in honor of the 75th birthday of the greatest living composer of Jewish music, Ernest Bloch. Bloch's absorption with the Hebrew spirit influenced his music from the first. True, his early works did not possess Hebrew messages. But the discerning ear can recognize in much of his music many Hebraic qualities; and elegiac semitic sadness; a Hassidic mysticism and passion and strength.

MME. SUZANNE BLOCH

Bloch himself said "I am a Jew, I aspire to write Jewish music not for the sake of self advertisement but because it is the only way in which I can produce music of ability and significance—it is the Jewish soul that interests me, the complex glowing, agitated so that I feel vibrating throughout the Bible — the freshness and naivete of the Patriarchs, the violence of the prophetic Books, the Jews savage love of justice: the despair of the Ecclesiastes; the sorrow and the immensity of the Book of Job; the sensuality of the Song of Songs. All this is in us, all that is in him. It is all this that I endeavor to hear in myself, and to transcribe in my music; the sacred emotion of the race that slumbers far down in our soul."

We shall be privileged to have as our guest speaker his gifted and famous daughter, Suzanne Bloch, who will speak on "My Father—Ernest Bloch." Miss Bloch has earned an enviable reputation by her delightful concerts of early music played on the lute. Her singing interpretations of this music to her own lute accompaniment have won for her musical acclaim. As a composer at the age of nineteen she won first prize in a Paris contest for women composers; in recent years she has had orchestral performances in New York by Leonard Bernstein and Leon Barbin. Her own recitals include some charming lute songs of her own, set to verses from "Alice in Wonderland."

At our Synagogue on Friday, May 7, 1948 at our 6th Annual Sabbath Eve

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Mrs. L.W. Max, Sisterhood Guest Speaker, At Friday Evening Service, February 3

Sisterhood, the oldest arm of the Park Avenue Synagogue, will sponsor the Friday evening service on Friday, February 3 at 8:30 P.M.

The guest speaker will be Mrs. Pearl Bernstein Max, who is well known in Jewish, cultural, educational and civic groups in the City of New York. Her topic will be "Making Colleges a Potent Weapon for Survival."

Mrs. Max is Administrator of the Board of Higher Education of New York City, past president of Phi Beta Kappa alumni in New York City, and former secretary of New York City Board of Estimate. She is also active in the League of Women Voters and the Women's City Club. She is a member of the executive committee of the Metropolitan Advisory Board of the Anti-Defamation League.

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MRS. L. W. MAX

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From the Desk of the Executive Director

In an effort to reduce the number of BULLETINS needlessly published and mailed to non-Synagogue members who over the years have requested our publication, we informed all those on our miscellaneous mailing list that unless they affirmatively notify us that they want to continue receiving our BULLETIN, we would take their names off our mailing list.

Much to our very pleasant surprise, at this writing, 150 persons took the trouble to respond and say they want to continue receiving our publication. A few even added a name or two of some one else who they were sure would like the BULLETIN as much as they had. Some persons even took the trouble to add gratuitous praise such as "Also be sure to include my son on East 63rd Street" . . . "Enjoy reading your progressive and informative Bulletin" . . . "Found your Bulletin most interesting" . . . "Enjoy news of your Synagogue" . . . "Bulletin is wonderful" . . .

Perhaps the choice comment came from a lady down-town who said "please continue indefinitely". This is as good as the man from up-town who inclosed a check to take care of "mailing costs".

SIDNEY KATZ
Executive Director

Refuah Shalomah To Jacob Friedman

Honorary President of the Park Avenue Synagogue, Jacob Friedman is ill at the Knickerbocker Hospital in New York City.

Mr. Friedman, who is the father of Mrs. Edward Peiper, was President of the Park Avenue Synagogue for a full generation and has recently returned to New York after spending several years in California.

Our best wishes for a speedy and full recovery to Jacob Friedman.

School News

Open School Week

Open School Week has been proclaimed by the Jewish Education Committee during the period of *Tu B'Shevat*, January 29 to February 4.

The Students of the Primary Department will play host to their parents on Sunday, January 29. Parents are invited to observe the instruction in the classrooms and to discuss the work of the students with the teachers.

Parents of students in the Hebrew Department may visit the classes any afternoon during the Open School Week and are, also, invited to join in worship with the members of the Junior Congregation on Saturday, February 4.

Extension Department

The Spring Semester of our newly-organized High School Extension Courses will begin on Sunday, February 4 for students between the ages of 14 and 17. Registration in the courses is open to all young people in the congregation. The first half of the course is not a prerequisite for admission to the Spring session.

Rabbi Myron Berman, who recently returned to the United States from a tour of duty with the Air Force in the Far East, is the instructor of the courses in Jewish Civilization and in Bible for Every Day Living.

Jewish Civilization, given at 9:30 A.M. on Sunday morning in room 503 of the Milton Steinberg House, will discuss the philosophy of Maimonedes and Judah Ha Levi, the significance of the Kabalah, the rise of Hassidism, the Zionist Movement and the development of Reform and Conservative Judaism.

Parents Association Sabbath Service, Feb. 17

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

The Sabbath Service to be sponsored by the Parents Association this year will be held Friday evening, February 17.

Arrangements are being made for a guest speaker to deliver the main address and for the participation by members of the Parents Association in the religious portion of the service. Announcement of the final plans will appear in the next issue of the BULLETIN.

Bible for Every Day Living, given at 10:30 A.M., will study the ideas of the Major Prophets, various books of the Bible — Psalms, Proverbs; Job — and their significance to the Jew in modern American life.

Course on Painting

The School Board has approved a course in Painting for Mothers and Children to be given at the Milton Steinberg House beginning in February and continuing through the school year.

Mrs. Helen Charin Somberg, a member of the Parents Association and an art teacher in the New York City High Schools, has volunteered to teach the course. There will be no tuition fee for the instruction, but the participants in the course will share the cost of the materials.

Registration is limited to ten mothers and their children between the ages of six and nine. Parents are urged to call the School Office (EN 9-2600) between 3:00 and 6:00 P.M. to enroll.

Schedule of Services

Friday Evening, January 27 . . . . . 8:30 P.M.
JEWISH MUSIC SABBATH
Mme Suzanne Bloch will speak on "My Father - Ernest Bloch"
in honor of Ernest Bloch's 75th Birthday

Saturday Morning, January 28 . . . . . 9:30 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Jay Adam
Rabbi Noveck will deliver the sermon

Friday Evening, February 3 . . . . . 8:30 P.M.
SISTERHOOD SABBATH
***Guest Speaker:* Mrs. L. W. Max**

Saturday Morning, February 4 . . . . . 9:30 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Richard Nalin
Rabbi Noveck will deliver the sermon

Daily Minyan Service Every Evening
Appleman Chapel, Milton Steinberg House — 6:00 P.M.

Adult Education Classes

By BEATRICE TRACHTENBERG

MILTON STEINBERG MEMORIAL LECTURES BEGIN JANUARY 30

Beginning Monday, January 30, at 9 P.M., as a continuation of the regular Monday night adult education Major Lecture Course on FAITHS JEWS LIVE BY, the Sixth Annual Milton Steinberg Memorial Lectures in Jewish Theology will be held on four successive Monday evenings. This series on the philosophy and program of Conservative Judaism will cover the general theme WHAT WE CONSERVATIVE JEWS BELIEVE.

The following are the topics that will be covered and the speakers that have been invited to participate in the series:

January 30—"The Origin and Development of Conservative Judaism"

—Dr. Simon Noveck

February 6—"Conservative Judaism and Jewish Law"

—Rabbi Arthur Neulander. Congregation Darchay Noam, Far Rockaway, N. Y. Chairman, Committee on Law and Standards of the Rabbinical Assembly.

February 13—"The Community Philosophy of Conservative Judaism"

—Dr. Ira Eisenstein. Anshe Emet Synagogue, Chicago. Formerly Rabbi of Society for Advancement of Judaism in New York City.

February 20—"Beliefs and Practices of Conservative Judaism"

—Rabbi Albert I. Gordon. Temple Emanuel, Newton Center, Mass.

The Committee on Adult Education urges that, as in the past years, as many members of the Congregation and their friends as possible, attend this stimulating lecture series that are held in memory of Rabbi Steinberg.

Jewish Music Month

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Service of New Liturgical Music by Contemporary Composers dedicated to "The Faith of Israel and Zion's Dream", Suzanne Bloch set to music the poem "Blessed is the Match", by a great martyr of our time, Hana Senesch, which received its world premiere performance. The musical program on Friday Evening, January 27 will consist of excerpts from Ernest Bloch's "Sacred Service" rendered by Hazzan David J. Putterman and choir.

Impressions of A Gala Social Event

If you had been taken blind-folded from your home on Saturday evening, January 14 and your escort removed the blindfolds at the Young Marrieds party that evening, you might have gotten the impression that in some magical manner you had been transported not to the Lemberg Auditorium where you actually were but rather to a "romantic" ballroom in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Somebody in that young enterprising group known as the Young Marrieds of the Park Avenue Synagogue had imagination and what's more was given the opportunity to express it. There were multi-colored murals attractively gotten up hanging all over the walls. Men in shirt sleeves who, on ordinary work days are, look like and act like attorneys and business men, but who played the role of simulated croupiers even to the point of their green visors. It shielded their eyes from the blare of light but still enabled the "customers" to see a good imitation of a bland expression.

It was a right peculiar "gambling affair." There were all sorts of funny money and real looking prizes all of which were donated.

Wonderful-est thing was that every one seemed to be having a gay time—even Synagogue dignitaries, who that evening were reduced to humble and obedient servers. Music seemed to be coming from no one knew exactly where, and made just enough noise to help the atmosphere tremendously. Even the "auctioneer" sounded real.

Of course, even a not so Young Married had he wandered into the party the other night would have known—provided he were perspicacious enough, that is—that the group sponsoring this good time could only have been the Young Marrieds. The easiest way to figure that out was the high percentage of young ladies clothed in feminine habit which comes from a special department at Lane Bryant's.

The weary and the hungry, and that meant about everybody, when midnight came along were treated to a pleasant midnight supper.

Dudley Greenstein who Presidents the Young Marrieds this year, tells us that the work of a lot of people in his group made this affair possible. There was Mrs. Fred Krones, who was Chairman of the evening; our former BULLETIN Editor, Mrs. Marvin Robinson, whom we on the BULLETIN miss very much, and her Westchester friends, Bill Riemer and Mrs. Nat Schfrin, who produced the murals; Sam Fredman who "trained" the croupiers; Asa Sokolow and Sidney Silberman who gallantly dispensed soda water and ginger ale; Don Schlesinger, Co-Chairman of the party and midnight supper arranger; Mrs. Stanley Greenwald and Mrs. Don Schlesinger who knew how to wrap and in fact did wrap about 90 prizes so attractively that it took no soul searching on the part of anyone to surrender "$5,000" for a nicely wrapped silk handkerchief; and Fred Krones, Treasurer who greeted all arrivals and who ultimately we anticipate will greet the Synagogue Treasurer and transmit a splendid contribution from this group to the Milton Steinberg Fund.

From all of which, it is evident that all who attended had an unusual and unexpected happy social event. Our thanks to the Young Marrieds.

SIDNEY R. KATZ

Sisterhood Sabbath Service

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Mrs. Max has written a number of newspaper feature articles on aspects of New York City government and has been a contributing author to professional publications in her field.

As in the past, members of the Sisterhood will participate in the service, which will be contduced by Rabbi Simon Noveck, Cantor David Putterman and the choir, and will include Mrs. William Karmiol, Mrs. Joseph Howard Katz, Mrs. Irwin Rome, Mrs. Ezra Cohen, Mrs. Sanford Cohen, Mrs. Solomon E. Green and Mrs. David Altschul.

During the sixty years of service which Sisterhood has rendered to the Park Avenue Synagogue, they have every reason to be proud of their many achievements, including a contribution of $50,000 to the Milton Steinberg Memorial Fund, and in whose honor the Lounge in the Milton Steinberg House is known as Sisterhood Lounge.

Mrs. William Karmiol, President of Sisterhood, urges that all of the members attend these services and meet Prof. and Mrs. Max at the Oneg Shabbat which will be held in the Lemberg Auditorium following the services.

Congregational Meeting

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dent, Archie I. Thurman; 2nd Vice-President, Saul Godwin; Treasurer, Nelson Ruttenberg; Ass't. Treasurer, Milton M. Sivek; Secretary, Emanuel Rosenthal; Chairman of the Board, Ezra Cohen: Vice-Chairman of Board, Gen. Melvin L. Krulewitch.

Trustees for 3 year term

Nathan Appleman, George Armour. Ezra Cohen, Hon. Sanford H. Cohen, Harry Halbren, Jules Haft, Joseph Klein, Joseph I. Lubin, I. B. Oseas, Dr. Seymour Wimpfheimer, Mrs. William Karmiol, Sisterhood President.

In the course of the general discussion, many members of the Board and of the Advisory Council participated. It was the expressed desire of all that the proposed slate would bring about the result hoped for by the Nominating Committee.

In submitting its report, the Nominating Committee called attention to the provision of Article III Section 5 of the By-Laws, which provides for the creation of Honorary Trustees to be elected of those who have rendered "conspicuous service to the synagogue."

Several members of the Board, who have given many years of devoted service to the Synagogue, have expressed the desire to be relieved of their active duties as regular Board members, and the creation of Honorary Trustees would provide the Synagogue with the opportunity to appropriately honor these members of the Board.

The vacancies in the Board of Trustees thus arising would make possible replacements from among those who, too, have rendered service in the past and who have earned the right to be so honored. The Board intends to implement this recommendation of the Nominating Committee as soon as plans can be made after the annual meeting.

Mrs. Moe Turman named Hadassah UJA Chairman

Mrs. Moe Turman, long time member of Park Avenue Synagogue was recently appointed by the New York City Chapter of Hadassah as United Jewish Appeal Chairman. Mrs. Turman also serves as vocational education Chairman for her Hadassah Chapter.

Schedule of Coming Synagogue Events

January 27, 8:30 P.M. — Friday Evening Service
Jewish Music Sabbath in honor of Ernest Bloch's 75th Birthday—
Mme. Suzanne Bloch will speak on "My Father—Ernest Bloch"

January 28, 9:30 A.M. — Sabbath Morning Service
Bar Mitzvah of Jay Adam

January 29, 8:00 P.M. — Congregational Annual Meeting
Election of officers and trustees

January 30 — Monday night Adult Education Courses
8:00 P.M. Cantor Putterman Class on Choral Music
Dr. Arthur Hyman will discuss "Pride and Humility"
Mrs. Whartman Elementary Hebrew Class
Mr. Hochman Intermediate Hebrew Class
9:00 P.M. Rabbi Noveck will lecture on "Origin and Development of Conservative Judaism"

February 3, 8:30 P.M. — Sisterhood Friday Evening Service
Mrs. L. W. Max will speak on "Making Colleges a Potent Weapon for Survival"

February 4, 9:30 A.M. — Sabbath Morning Service
Bar Mitzvah of Richard Nalin

February 6 — Monday night Adult Education Courses
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Dr. Arthur Hyman will discuss "God in History"
Mrs. Whartman Elementary Hebrew Class
Mr. Hochman Intermediate Hebrew Class
9:00 P.M. Rabbi Arthur Neulander will lecture on "Conservative Judaism and Jewish Law"

Congratulations

Hon. & Mrs. Maxwell Shapiro—Birth of granddaughter Lynn Susan Zorn

Mrs. Sadie Collier—Birth of grandson

Mr. & Mrs. Irving Shapiro—Borth of grandson

Hon. & Mrs. Smon Rifkind—Engagement of son Dr. Richard to Carole Lewis

Mr. & Mrs. Gustave Yuder—Engagement of daughter Lola to Morton Kassover

Mr. & Mrs. Bernard Prensky—Marriage of son Robert to Elinor Steiner

Mr. & Mrs. Emanuel Hochman—Engagement of daughter Harriet Ann to H. Richard Etlinger

January 30—Mr. & Mrs. I. M.—Cohen—35th Wedding Anniversary

February 2—Julius Guggenheimer—89th Birthday

February 2—Mr. & Mrs. Bernard J. Weintraub—20th Wedding Anniversary

February 2—Mr. & Mrs. Godfried Jacob—20th Wedding Anniversary

Condolences

Mrs. Alfred Luebeck — Loss of mother Sadie Nethe

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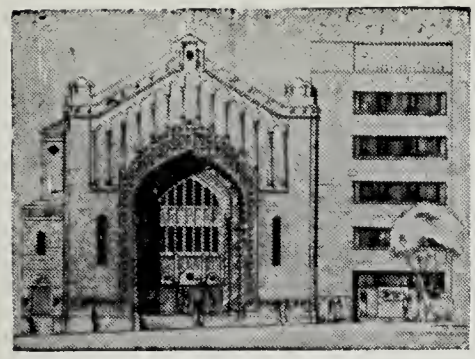

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Judge Hubert T. Delany, Guest Speaker, at Parents Association Sabbath, February 17

By Rhea M. Ruttenberg

Judge Hubert T. Delany, former Justice of the Domestic Relations Court of the City of New York, will be the guest speaker at the Friday Evening Service to be sponsored by the Parents Association on February 17, at the Park Avenue Synagogue. The subject of his address will be: "What is Happening to our Children?"

"Guest Speaker"

JUDGE HUBERT T. DELANY

In 1923, Judge Delany, the son of the late Bishop Henry Beard Delany, of Raleigh, North Carolina, was graduated from City College, and three years later from New York University Law School. Soon after his graduation from Law School, Hon. Charles H. Tuttle, who was then United States District Attorney for the Southern District of New York, appointed him an Assistant District Attorney. Later, during Mayor LaGuardia's term, he was appointed Tax Commissioner of the Borough of Manhattan. He served in that position until 1942, when Mayor LaGuardia named him a Justice of the Domestic Relations Court, where Judge Delany served until 1955.

During his service on the bench, Judge Delany was known as a humane judge who sought to understand the problems of those who were brought before him.

"Outstandingly qualified" was the special reference made to Judge Delany by the Association of the Bar of the City of New York and by the lawyers who appeared before him in his court.

An uncompromising leader in civic and community affairs, Judge Delany is an active worker in educational organizations, fund raising projects for hospitals and schools, as well as in various branches of youth work.

In addition to the regular Sabbath service to be conducted by Rabbi Novick and Cantor Putterman, several members of the Parents Association will participate in the reading of the prayers. At the conclusion of the Service, there will be a symposium and an Oneg Shabbat in the Lemberg Auditorium.

Dr. Joseph N. Nathanson to be Speaker At Friday Evening Service, February 10

A rare treat is in store for the Congregation on Friday evening, February 10, when Dr. Joseph N. Nathanson will be the guest speaker at Services. His subject will be "Abraham Lincoln's Contacts with the Jews." Dr. Nathanson, whose hobby is collecting "Lincolniana," and who has written and lectured on this fascinating subject, has kindly consented to share his broad knowledge of the life and times of Abraham Lincoln with us.

Dr. Nathanson is a practicing surgeon in New York City and an Associate Professor of Clinical Obstetrics and Gynecology at Cornell University Medical College where he has taught for the past 30 years. He started collecting "Lincolniana" about twenty years ago, and his printed material at present consists of over 2,000 books and pamphlets in twenty-one foreign languages, including such rarities as Lincoln biographies in Hebrew, Icelandic, Turkish, Sioux Indian, Hawaiian, Chinese, Japanese, Iranian and Russian. Among his art treasures are hundreds of engravings, etchings, paintings and caricatures, including two of twenty-two known paintings of Lincoln on the back of glass, an art first developed by the Chinese hundreds of years ago, as well as several fine paintings of Lincoln by Mrs. Nathanson. His vast collection also consists of about one hundred sermons and funeral orations delivered at the time of Lincoln's death, numerous letters, pardons and Army and Navy commissions in Lincoln's handwriting, a presentation copy of the Lincoln-Douglas debates and several personal relics of Lincoln's.

Dr. Nathanson has spoken on Lincoln before Hadassah groups and medical societies. He delivered an oration on "Lincoln's Contacts With the Doctors" by invitation of the Obstetrical Societies of New York, Philadelphia and Boston, in 1953, and last year was guest speaker at Sabbath Services at Temple Rodeph Sholom on Lincoln's Birthday.

Dr. Nathanson's talk on "Abraham Lincoln's Contacts With the Jews" is being given at the invitation of Mr. Benjamin Sack and the Committee on Adult Education. After the Services, a short, informal question and answer period will be held in the auditorium, to be followed by an Oneg Shabbat.

We urge our members and their friends to attend what promises to be a most interesting and enjoyable evening.

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An Acknowledgment From West Point

The following communication was sent to us by the Administration Officer of the Jewish Chapel Choir at West Point, which participated in the recent Friday Evening Service sponsored by the Men's Club:

"Dear Sirs:

"On behalf of the Jewish Chapel Choir I would like to express our sincere appreciation for the hospitality extended to us. The kindness and consideration shown us by the Men's Club and the Congregation as a whole made the visit a truly enjoyable one for us.

"We were all greatly impressed with the fine singing of your Cantor and Choir as well as the dignified mien of the Service. It was an honor and a privilege for us to have been able to take part.

"Once again may I express our gratitude for your making our visit such a worthwhile one.

Respectfully
Wallen M. Summer
Cadet Pvt, Co L, 1st Regt, 2d Cl
Adm. Off. Jewish Chapel Choir
West Point, N. Y.

Rabbi Noveck to Leave On Lecture Tour

On February 9, Rabbi Noveck is leaving for a speaking tour on behalf of the National Academy for Adult Jewish Studies and the United Synagogue of America. He will lecture on various phases of the philosophy and teachings of Conservative Judaism to congregation in Memphis, Nashville, Dayton and Cincinnati.

Sisterhood Open Meeting And Luncheon Feb. 21

By MRS. DAVID ALTSCHUL

Sisterhood's luncheon and open meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 21 at 12 noon. The guest speaker will be Mr. Peretz Johnnes, who is an instructor in the Education Department of the Museum of the City of New York. He will speak on "The Peoples of New York City—past and present". This promises to be a very stimulating afternoon. Be sure to keep the date open.

Congregational Purim Party Saturday, Feb. 25

Members of the Park Avenue Synagogue are urged to set aside Saturday evening, February 25 for a real gala Purim Masquerade Party which will take place in the Lemberg Auditorium.

In behalf of the Synagogue, the program this year is being sponsored by the Sisterhood. More complete details will appear in the next issue of the BULLETIN as well as an invitation which our members will receive in the mail.

Young Marrieds News

Now the secret is out. The person who conceived the idea of "Las Vegas" night for the Young Marrieds, which was held at the Park Avenue Synagogue on Saturday evening, January 14, was Mrs. Morty Matz, vice-president, of that group.

Our congratulations to Mrs. Matz for her courage and imagination in giving us one of the outstanding social events of the Synagogue.

Schildkraut and Huber To Speak at Women's UJA Rally

The 18th annual campaign of the Women's Division of the United Jewish Appeal will be launched at an opening rally to be held on Tuesday morning, February 14 at 10:30 o'clock in the grand ballroom of the Sheraton-Astor Hotel, Broadway and 44 Street.

The rally, which usually attracts more than 2,000 women, will inaugurate the most crucial campaign in United Jewish Appeal history. The drive begins at a time when international pressures threaten the very survival of the people of Israel. Guest speakers at the rally will include Semah Cecil Hyman, Israel's Consul General in this city; Edward M. Warburg, President of the United Jewish Appeal; and Joseph Schildkraut and Gusti Huber, stars of the "Diary of Anne Frank."

There will be no fund-raising at the opening rally. Tickets for this impressive gathering may be obtained through Mrs. Benjamin Sack—SA 2-8795 who has been appointed UJA Chairman of our Sisterhood and Mrs. Abel Phillips—RE 7-6870, Co-Chairman, by enrolling with them as a volunteer worker.

Schedule of Services

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ANNUAL REPORT SUBMITTED BY EZRA COHEN, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The business of running this Synagogue is in the hands of a Board of Trustees. Responsible to the Board of Trustees are *sixteen* permanent and special committees who carry on and supervise most of the functional activity. There are 106 individual members who serve on one or more of these committees and each one is supposed to contribute some capability and talent so that his or her committee will operate to its full advantage and purpose. Besides the committees there are five affiliate organizations: The Sisterhood, The Men's Club, The Parents Association, The Young Marrieds, The Senior League.

It is the committees and the affiliate organizations who divide up all the work that is to be done. They report, at regular intervals, their progress to the Board of Trustees and at the end of the year they turn in a final report to the Congregation. Because there never is time and never will be time at an annual meeting to listen to each detailed report of all the broad activities, it is necessary for your Chairman to summarize and give you, so to speak, a capsule portrayal of what is going on. It must be understood that the enforced brevity in no manner implies any lack of importance to any phase of any of the activities. An effort is made to give an over-all picture and anyone interested in more detailed amplification will have access to the full reports.

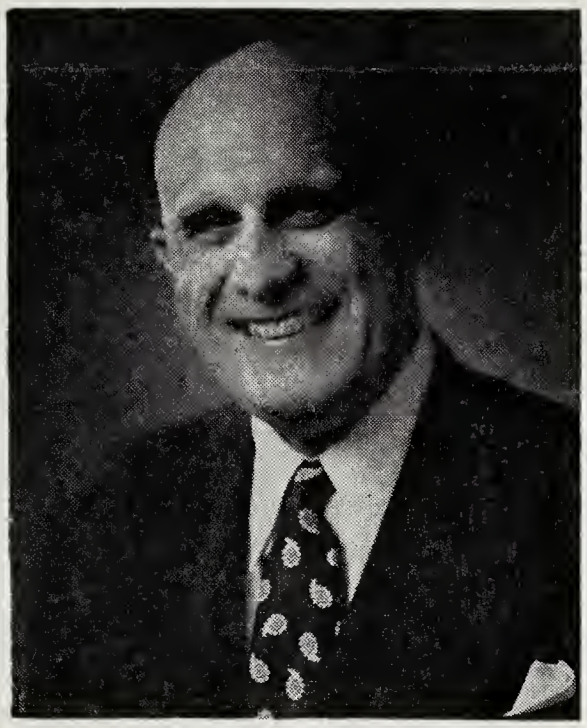
Building Committee

The Building Committee continues to operate in its outstandingly energetic fashion under the outstandingly energetic Chairmanship of Saul Godwin. Its work in the erection of the Milton Steinberg House was reported in detail a year ago.

During the calendar year just ended, we have witnessed the finishing touches put to any number of the numerous offices, classrooms, library, lobbies, directories and roof lighting. But most important of all is the Nathan Appleman Chapel. This is one of the most beautifully designed Chapels anywhere and our Synagogue can be justly proud of it. But there is a good deal of unfinished business, most of which we hope will be undertaken and finished before the next annual meeting. They are the

a) Ballroom furnishings and decorations
b) Tablets and Memorials in the Milton Steinberg House
c) Exhibit Halls on the second floor
d) Cleaning the inside walls of the Synagogue
e) Modernizing the ventilation under the balcony
f) Completing the I. M. Cohen Library
g) Improving the lighting in the main auditorium

Re-elected Chairman



EZRA COHEN

Adult Education

The Adult Education Committee, also under the Chairmanship of the indefatigable Saul Godwin, plays a major role in the program our Synagogue offers. With the influence Rabbi Novick holds in this field, the Synagogue still maintains a position of leadership despite the ever present problem of what type of subjects to introduce in order to keep up the interest and attract members to its courses. The program for the Monday evening classes and the Friday evening guest speaker series has included a wide variety of interesting subjects. For the first semester there were lectures and courses on:

1) Jewish Family Life
2) The Book of Job
3) Elementary Hebrew
4) Intermediate Hebrew
5) Faiths Jews Live By
6) Yiddish Literature and Culture

For the second semester there is now a continuation of most of these and in addition:

a) The Book of Isaiah
b) Choral Music under the leadership of Cantor Putterman
c) Prof. Salomon's series on Prayer and its meaning in Jewish Liturgy.

School Board

The Religious School is functioning on an increasing scale. With the completion of the first full year in the Milton Steinberg House, the new modern facilities have made possible a terrific step forward. The impact of this improvement is now showing itself and will continue to be apparent as time goes on. We have here a real center of educational, cultural and social activity on an efficiency level which has never been known before in our immediate community. A detailed report of all the schools activities, a most interesting and valuable account is on file and available to those who may wish to read it.

We are most fortunate in having as the School Principal, Mr. Martin Leichtling, who has so ably discharged the task of organizing and directing the work of the school. The enriching of its curriculum which has resulted will have a lasting influence on the hundreds of children who benefit annually from the superior instruction provided.

The School Board itself is to be complimented on the manner in which it was responsible for the transition from the old to the new aura of development. To its Chairman, Mrs. Sigmund Siegel, is extended the appreciation of the Synagogue membership for the erudition and statesmanship which characterized her leadership.

Membership Committee

This Committee has functioned in a very astute and constructive manner under the very capable chairmanship of Mr. Harry J. Sokolow. The membership of the Synagogue, as of now, consists of 751 families. There were 45 resignations last year and 61 new members were elected.

The screening of new members so as to suggest a basis for their dues in keeping with our "Voluntary Dues System" was a task that was systematically and meticulously carried out. Personal interviews in which all members of the Committee participated were had with all applicants. The net result was the acquisition of very fine additional members and a $10,000 increase in income

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ANNUAL REPORT BY EZRA COHEN, CHAIRMAN

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for the Synagogue.

There was one other outstanding development in the work of the Membership Committee. It was felt that an investigation should be made of the dues structure as presently existing. It has been evident for some time that there were many, many, inequities in dues paying and a detailed survey was quite in order if not overdue. For this examination, Mr. Asa Sokolow, a member of the Committee, was asked to volunteer.

Mr. Sokolow worked for several months, giving a great deal of his time, energy and resourcefulness to this arduous task. His final report is a masterpiece of concise and valuable information. There are definite suggestions made to correct the many inconsistencies in the dues picture.

The Membership Committee is scheduled to begin implementing immediately on the basis of this report and many of you will be consulted and interviewed in the near future. Especial thanks is due Asa Sokolow for such a valuable and difficult job, so well done.

The Finance Committee

All through recent years this Synagogue has been fortunate to have watching over its fiscal destiny one of the finest, most capable, public-spirited personalities that there is in the City of New York. At times, through the years we have had some pretty rough going and it is a well-known fact that it was Ben Sack, whose skill and know-how was a tremendously important factor in putting our house in order and keeping it in that enviable condition.

Ben Sack's interest in communal affairs goes far beyond the ordinary call of duty and it is amazing to note how he manages to crowd everything into his very busy day. I know of no case, where he has ever turned down an assignment.

The Finance Committee is a live functioning entity. Not only does it keep us in good condition but it is constantly on the watch over every step of the institution's fiscal welfare. Despite all recent activity and the many expenditures that were and will be made, our situation is a sound one and will remain so in the future.

Law Committee

The Law Committee ordinarily acts in an advisory capacity and has little occasion for any strenuous activity. However, during the past year there has been a complete reversal of that normal situation. Not only has the Committee been called upon for an unusual number of detailed opinions but the actual amount of difficult legal work that has accrued because of unusual circumstances is unprecedented in the annals of this institution.

The members of the Law Committee have given of their time for which the Synagogue is most grateful and its youthful Chairman, Mr. Sidney Silberman, is to be especially complimented and thanked for the amount of personal effort in working out the many problems which presented themselves and the expert manner in which all of the results were achieved. With his fine counsel there was avoided, in all probability, many embarrassing situations.

Organizations — Outside Requests for Space

This was the single man Committee which functioned mainly in the matter of recommending a policy to the Board of Trustees to act as a guide to the Executive Director. The demand for the use of our facilities by so many worthy outside institutions and organizations is far beyond our ability and capacity, taking into consideration, of course, our own requirements which necessarily utilize the major portion of the time and space.

Mr. Sidney Silberman has worked out a formula, after much investigation and study, which has enabled us to adopt a basic policy, at least for the time being.

Bulletin Committee

The Bulletins during the past year have taken on a verve that is very refreshing. Not only do we get the news but it is presented in a concise and delightfully interesting manner. Not only is Nelson Ruttenberg the Chairman of the Bulletin Committee but he doubles as its Editor. (I think without portfolio). The combination seems to be wonderful. The Bulletin is printed on a regular time schedule basis and we look forward to each issue as it comes out.

Catering Committee

One has a tendency to run out of adjectives but despite the very limited use of our new facilities, this Committee does function under some definite handicaps in a most admirable way.

The main problems are:

1) The incomplete decorative furnishings of the Lemberg Auditorium which we hope will be our next project to resolve.
2) The policy still to be worked out regarding the type of celebration program permitted on Sabbath afternoons.

It is hoped that the coming few months will clarify these main difficulties and that this Committee will find a lucrative source of Synagogue income from the facilities we have installed. To its Chairman, Nelson Ruttenberg and the members of the Catering Committee, our best wishes in the project which is really just beginning.

Ritual Committee

The Ritual Committee has had to deal with a number of knotty problems, some of which come up because of immediate circumstances and others which have to do with permanent policy recommendations. Likewise, at times, the Chairman has to make some quick decisions when only a few members of his Committee are available for consultation.

Mr. Sol Green, because of his background and his knowledge of tradition and culture, has headed up, with fine distinction, the work of the Ritual Committee and its members are to be complimented for the manner in which provision was made and coordination effected for the many varied services throughout the year.

Youth Activities Committee

Here is a comparatively new activity, the functioning of which is just a little over a year. Its purpose is to provide a Jewish program to take care of the formative and impressionable period of our Jewish youth, with organized, integrated, purposeful activity. It is amazing what the scope of this program really is. To even comment sketchily, would take more time than is at our disposal. A full detailed report is available for those who are interested. To integrate the Youth Activity program the Committee engaged the services of Mr. Hy Sankel, who has skillfully applied himself so that the desirability of this phase of Synagogue endeavor has become readily apparent.

To Mrs. Herman Helpern, the Chairman, for her enthusiasm and devotion to the idea and to her excellent committee, we extend the gratitude of the membership.

Library Book Selection Committee

In the matter of books, one thinks of blissful quietude where he is wont to retire to a comfortable corner and drink in the lore and beauties of thought that

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men, throughout the ages, have placed upon the printed page. It is in just such an atmosphere that we hope to build up the I. M. Cohen Synagogue Library.

On this Committee we have some of the scholars of our membership. Their work has just begun. They have $10,000 to spend, by special grant, and we are certain of a wonderful library resulting from their endeavors. The Committee is headed up by Mr. Asa Sokolow as Chairman who has already demonstrated rare capabilities in the methodical work that this activity requires.

The Ushering Committee

Under the very capable Chairmanship of Dr. Sol Winnick, this Committee has placed the decorum of the Synagogue Services and functions on a very fine level. It is essential that every detail in the greeting and seating of every one who enters our Synagogue House should be carried out with a maximum of smoothness and facility.

First impressions are so important and it is when someone first comes in, that his attitude can be influenced so much by the warmth and cordiality of the greeting he receives. A salute of appreciation goes to the many members who have volunteered as ushers throughout the seasons.

House Committee

The smooth functioning of the physical Synagogue is in the hands of the House Committee which is to be complimented on its excellent performance. The organization of the new set-up to take care of the increased space and activity was provided for satisfactorily without any trace of confusion or uncertainty. Under the capable Chairmanship of Mortimer Millheiser it is a job that was and continues to be well done.

Pulpit Committee

We cannot let this occasion go by without expressing our great appreciation for the work done by the Pulpit Committee. Theirs was one of the most difficult tasks that ever presented itself to our Synagogue. Each one of the members is the busiest of men in his own field of business or profession and likewise each one is a distinguished personality, identified actively with numerout communal and philanthropic causes. Yet each gave of his time and talents, unsparingly, to try to bring peace to Synagogue life and preserve the pleasantness and good feeling which seems to have been threatened in recent months.

This Committee has been functioning for well over a year and at great personal sacrifice it sought to bring order out of what appeared to be a hopeless situation. I wish to record here their names to their great credit and convey to them in the Synagogue's behalf our deepest gratitude for the work so ably performed.

Mr. Milton Weill, Chairman
Judge Bernard Botein
Mr. Samuel Lemberg
Mr. Harold H. Levin
Mr. Benjamin Sack

General

To discourse adequately on the work and activity of our five affiliate organizations would consume all of the time at our disposal this evening. Yet, I also realize that limiting comment is a gross injustice because each one of them is a whole integrated set-up with a full program of activities which reaches into all of social and philanthropic endeavor.

However, an hour is just 60 minutes and time is not only precious but heartlessly uncompromising—so here goes:

Sisterhood

The Sisterhood is the bulwark which stands behind and really is the support of the Synagogue structure. I do not mean this merely in a financial or physical sense. From the Sisterhood stems so large a part of the social activity which is one of the great essentials of Synagogue life. It takes over the Purim celebration and organizes the Congregational Passover Seder. It has numerous receptions and functions which are arranged in connection with various special services, meetings and celebrations. Of tremendous significance is the annual Sisterhood Luncheon which has been such an important social event and has played so great a part in helping to finance the Milton Steinberg Building.

Its philanthropic work takes it into many outside worthy projects and it is ever alert to put its influence and support behind every special occasion that presents itself.

As you all may or may not be aware, the Sisterhood has supplied and is supplying outstanding leadership to all of the major Jewish philanthropic organizations and certainly will continue to do so from time to time.

To the lovely distaff side of all our efforts the warmest of greetings and to Mrs. William Karmiol, its President, a salute.

Men's Club

During the past year the Men's Club continued its policy of presenting monthly meetings featuring social events, lectures and debates, some provocative but all timely. The Men's Club has a complete program of social and philanthropic endeavor and all its meetings are most enthusiastically attended.

Just as the Parents Association Sabbath, when Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt was the featured speaker, was the outstanding service more than a year ago, the year just passed witnessed the turn of the Men's Club to supply that event.

On the night of Friday, December 9, the Men's Club sponsored the appearance of the West Point Jewish Chapel Choir which participated in full in the ritual muscial service. This was a memorable evening in Synagogue annals, a magnificent and inspiring occasion. Our own Brig. General Melvin L. Krulewitch was the featured speaker and the tie-up of religious and military aspects was a most moving experience.

Felicitations and congratulations are due the Men's Club which we convey through its President, Mr. Milton Sivek.

Parents Association

This is a very active organization. It is dedicated to interpreting the needs of the children of the Religious School and initiating activities which help to fulfill these needs. It serves as a liaison between the School and the home supplementing the instruction with workshops of holiday tradition, helping both parents and children to observe properly the various holidays and prepare the appropriate food, decorations and ceremonies for each occasion.

Their efforts along these lines have resulted in making the holidays more meaningful for the children, the relationship between home and school has been strengthened, and a greater interest has been fostered in Jewish life of the future.

To the President, Mrs. Herman Helpern, and the Parents Association we wish continued success.

Young Marrieds

The Young Marrieds are probably the most changeable of the Synagogue groups. Of course this is most natural. As the family grows usually there can be no early settling down in one place. Larger living quarters are a necessity and very often require transfer to other areas. It is in this group that we get

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the largest portion of membership turnover.

But despite the changing character of their membership they maintain a full cultural and social program and they sponsor many fine events during the year.

Recently, their "Las Vegas" night was a wonderful success from every standpoint. Everyone had a grand time and the Steinberg Fund should be enriched to the tune of $904.63. To the President of the Young Marrieds, Mr. Dudley Greenstein, a greeting to your energetic and spirited organization.

Senior League

This branch of Synagogue activity is capable of and is doing very effective work. They have a good schedule of guest speaker programs at their open meetings and they run dances on Sunday afternoons and on weekday evenings,—if and when the Synagogue facilities are available. Some of these have enabled the Senior League to make substantial donations to the Milton Steinberg Fund.

However, the Senior League is really our "problem child". Despite all the increased facilities in our new quarters there are not enough dates and there is not enough space. For their Sunday afternoon dances they run headlong into opposition of the Youth Activities Committee which claims their needs should take priority over those of the League.

The solution of this problem may be difficult. It may require detailed committee investigation and some sort of Solomon like decision. It is hoped, nevertheless, that a method will be found to reconcile the situation.

The President of the Senior League is Mr. Harold Kurte and we hope his group will be enabled to continue their excellent functioning.

Conclusion

And so, in completing this annual report there is one more comment that should not be omitted. With the advent of the new building the activity in most all departments has been greatly accelarated. Besides that there is a greater efficiency, a certain smoothness that has developed in most every application. This may never have been possible were it not for the coming of Sidney R. Katz as Executive Director. After just a little more than a year he has already improved the greatest part of the routine. He has exhibited excellent judgment in many embarrassing situations. As time goes on, I think we can depend on Sidney R. Katz to simplify and coordinate all of the Synagogue functioning so that we will have an orderly running institution at all times. From then on we can look forward to even brighter and broader horizons and a future of greater accomplishments than ever before.

Respectfully submitted,
EZRA COHEN, *Chairman*
Board of Trustees

President's Annual Message

The agenda doesn't call for any report from your president—just a few short remarks.

The By-Laws provide that the only duties that are required of the president are—

(a) that he may preside at all religious functions and
(b) to preside at the annual meeting.

I can report to you that I have presided to the best of my ability at all religious functions when in the city or not ill. I also presided at the annual meeting and turned the chair over to the Chairman of the Board.

Re-elected President

JACOB KLEIN

However, your president has assumed the performance of a variety of services without objection on the part of the Board or any member. I have tried to make this Congregation of 750 families something more than just a religious body, but also a social, fraternal and congenial association of ladies and gentlemen. I don't think I could be called immodest if I state to you now that I have partially succeeded, but certainly not wholly and not to my satisfaction.

You have just elected me to succeed myself for the fifth consecutive year, which I deem a great honor, and for which I am deeply appreciative.

Four years of intensive effort on my part which was always a labor of love have taken a good part of my time daily, have brought me numerous letters indicating how appreciative many members are for having been the beneficiary of these services. These letters are part of my compensation, but I am now going to request additional compensation—from you. It won't burden you, nor our Treasury, but it may put you to a little inconvenience. I ask you that in return for the services I am rendering, that you attend the religious services on Friday evening and Saturday mornings and weekday evenings at 6:00 P.M. Not every Friday evening, not every Saturday morning, and not every day, but give us one or two evenings or Saturday morning services and one week during the year for daily Minyon services. You will be called upon to perform "Jewry duty." "Jewry" spelled J-e-w-r-y. Can I ask this little service of you—not for me, but for the Synagogue, for the glory of God?

I don't know how each of you feels when you enter the Synagogue, but I know that I feel a certain awe and also a thrill, being in a house of worship dedicated to glorify the Holy One, blessed be He, for the Glory of God, for the sanctification of this holy edifice, let us dedicate ourselves, and try to find a place where the Glory of God may feel at home.

My friends, if you want to be happy try to make others happy.

JACOB KLEIN
President

IN MEMORIAM

At the Congregational Meeting, Sunday evening, January 29, the membership stood for a minute of silence in memory of the following members who passed away during the year. They are: Naomi Finkelstein, Sophie Herman, David Hoexter, Peggy Hyman, Leopold Klein, Max Lyon, Arthur Pollak, Amy Racoosin Putterman, Dr. Nathan Rosenthal, Fay Schwebel and Dr. James W. Smith.

Martin Leichtling to Speak to Young Marrieds

Martin Leichtling, Principal of the Religious School of Park Avenue Synagogue will be the guest speaker at the next meeting of the Young Marrieds on Tuesday evening, February 14 at 8:30 P.M.

Mr. Leichtling will discuss "Education for the Jewish Child within the American Community." He will emphasize the relative merits of the congregational school and the all-day school in achieving the goals of Jewish Education. Parents will find this discussion most valuable in deciding upon the kind of Jewish education for their children.

During the years, that the school has been under the supervision of Mr. Leichtling, it has developed in many ways. Our Hebrew Department has become the largest three-day-a-week school in the mid-Manhattan area.

The Sabbath School was established with its special emphasis on Junior Congregation services thus giving our children an opportunity to enjoy the experience of worship. The instruction has been vitalized through the use of dramatics, arts and crafts, music and audio-visual aids. Our school, today, plays a most important roll in the Jewish education of the children in our synagogue and in our community.

Phyllis Brody to be Bas Mitzvah

Phyllis Brody, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Brody, will be Bas Mitzvah on Saturday, February 18, 1956.

This ceremony is in accord with the recent innovation of Bas Mitzvah, as well as Bar Mitzvah, in the Park Avenue Synagogue.

Phyllis has been an excellent student in the Religious School. After completing her studies in the Primary Department, she enrolled in the Hebrew Department and is now a member of class V in the school.

She, also, attends the Senator Robert F. Wagner Junior High School, where she is a member of the school orchestra. She hopes to continue her preparation for a career in music, by studying at the High School of Music and Arts.

THE COMMITTEE ON ADULT EDUCATION

cordially invites you to attend the last two of

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IN JEWISH THEOLOGY

on the theme

"WHAT IS CONSERVATIVE JUDAISM?"

Monday, February 13, 1956
at 9 P.M

Speaker: Dr. Ira Eisenstein

Topic: "THE COMMUNITY PHILOSOPHY OF CONSERVATIVE JUDAISM"

Dr. Eisenstein is Rabbi of Anshe Emet Synagogue in Chicago. He served as Rabbi of The Society for the Advancement of Judaism in New York from 1931 to 1954, was President of the Rabbinical Assembly of America, and Associate Chairman on the Editorial Board of "The Reconstructionist" magazine.

Dr. Eisenstein is the author of a number of important works in the field of Judaism, among them, "Creative Judaism," "What We Mean By Religion," "The Ethics of Tolerance," and "Palestine in the Life of the Jew." He is an editor of "The New Haggadah," and with Professor Mordecai Kaplan and the late Rabbi Milton Steinberg edited the "Sabbath Prayerbook," published by the Reconstructionist Press.

Monday, February 20, 1956
at 9 P.M.

Speaker: Dr. Albert I. Gordon

Topic: "CONSERVATIVE JUDAISM: PROSPECTS FOR THE FUTURE"

Dr. Gordon has been the Rabbi of Temple Emanuel, Newton Centre, Mass. since 1946. He was formerly Executive Director of the United Synagogue of America and has been very active in civic and Jewish affairs. He is also serving as President of the New England Region of the Rabbinical Assembly of America and as a member of the Administrative Committee of the Jewish Community Council of Greater Boston. He also is a Lecturer in Judaism at Andover Newton Theological School.

Dr. Gordon is the author of "Jews in Transition," "Bride and Groom," "In Times of Sorrow," and a series of booklets on the home celebration of Jewish Holy Days.

Report of Annual Congregational Meeting

The 74th Annual Congregational meeting of the Park Avenue Synagogue was held in the Lemberg Auditorium Sunday evening, January 29.

Mr. Jacob Klein, president of the Congregation, presided at the meeting, and after a few words of welcome, he turned over the chair to Mr. Ezra Cohen, chairman of the Board of Trustees.

Mr. Ezra Cohen, in his annual report, summarized the activities of the various synagogue committees and their accomplishments during the past year. A copy of this report is printed in full in the BULLETIN.

The Nominating Committee, through its chairman, Nelson Ruttenberg, submitted its report which had been unanimously approved by the Board of Trustees, containing the names of the Officers and Trustees to be elected at the annual meeting. The report was unanimously adopted by the Congregation and the following officers and trustees were declared elected::

OFFICERS

Honorary President...Jacob Friedman
President.....Jacob Klein
1st Vice-President.....Archie Thurman
2nd Vice-President.....Saul Godwin
Treasurer.....Nelson Ruttenberg
Assistant Treasurer....Milton M. Sivek
Secretary.....Emanuel Rosenthal
Chairman of the Board.....Ezra Cohen
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Gen. Melvin L. Krulewitch

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Nathan Appleman, George Armour, Ezra Cohen, Hon. Sanford H. Cohen, Harry Halbren, Jules Haft, Jacob Klein, Joseph I. Lubin, I. B. Oseas, Dr. Seymour Wimpfheimer, Mrs. William Karmiol, Sisterhood President.

The officers and trustees so elected were installed by Rabbi Simon Noveck who acted as the installing officer.

Schedule of Coming Synagogue Events

February 10, 8:30 P.M. — Friday Evening Service
Dr. Joseph N. Nathanson will speak on "Lincoln's Contacts With the Jews"

February 11, 9:30 A.M. — Sabbath Morning Service

February 13 — Monday night Adult Education Courses
8:00 P.M. Dr. Arthur Hyman will discuss "The End of Days"
Mrs. Whartman Elementary Hebrew Class
Mr. Hochman Intermediate Hebrew Class
9:00 P.M. Dr. Ira Eisenstein will lecture on "The Community Philosophy of Conservative Judaism"

February 14, 8.30 P.M. — Young Marrieds meeting
Mr. Martin Leichtling will discuss "Education for the Jewish Child"

February 17, 8:30 P.M. — Parents Association Sabbath Service
Judge Hubert T. Delany will speak on "What is Happening To Our Children"

February 18, 9:30 A.M. — Sabbath Morning Service
Bas Mitzvah of Phyllis Brody

February 20 — Monday night Adult Education Courses
8:00 P.M. Dr. Arthur Hyman will deliver the final lecture on the Prophet Isaiah.
Mrs. Whartman Elementary Hebrew Class
Mr. Hochman Intermediate Hebrew Class
9:00 P.M. Dr. Albert I. Gordon will lecture on "Conservative Judaism: Prospects for the Future"

Congratulations

February 14—Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Grauer—15th Wedding Anniversary

Condolences

Mr. Maurice Finkelstein — Loss of wife Naomi
Mr. Al Herman — Loss of wife Sophie
Mrs. Charles Weisberg — Loss of mother, Anna Lobel
Mr. Martin Leichtling — Loss of mother Sarah

RESERVE THIS DATE

The February monthly meeting of Men's Club will be held on Tuesday evening February 28. The plans tentatively are for a Purim Sports Festival with the men bringing their sons, grandsons or nephews. Details will appear in the next issue of the BULLETIN. Meanwhile, reserve the date —TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28.

In his customary humorous and witty style, Mr. Jacob Klein, who was re-elected as president of the congregation, delivered a brief address on his "usual day" at the Synagogue. His report is printed in full in the BULLETIN.

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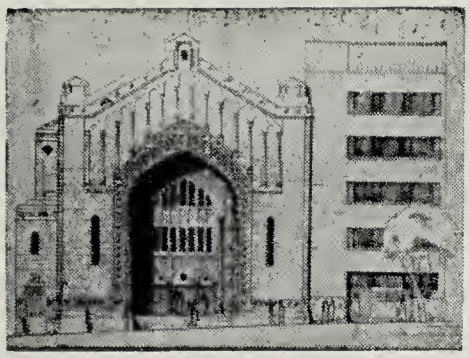

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Purim Masquerade Judges

Maurice Rentner and Sally Victor, top flight figures in the fashion industry and incidentally, loyal members of the Park Avenue Synagogue, will head the Committee of Judges at the Purim masquerade costume party Saturday night, February 25, at the Synagogue, following the reading of the Megillah.

All attractive costumes will really be judged — so be sure to come!

A Proclamation — Hear and Obey!

His Majesty
KING AHASUERUS
Commands your presence at the
READING OF THE MEGILLAH
and
A MASQUERADE BALL
to commemorate the valor of
HER MAJESTY, QUEEN ESTHER
to be held at
THE PARK AVENUE SYNAGOGUE
on
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1956
at
7:30 p. m.

***Sponsor:* The Congregation** ***Hostess:* The Sisterhood**

Rev. Karl Baehr, Guest Speaker, at Brotherhood Service, Friday, February 24

At our Services on Friday, February 24, on the occasion of Brotherhood Sabbath, we shall have the pleasure to welcome to our pulpit as guest speaker, Mr. Karl Baehr, Executive Director of the American Christian Palestine Committee, who will speak on "In Search of Brotherhood."

Mr. Baehr is a leading figure in religious and social affairs. He graduated from Bethel College in Kansas, and from Chicago Theological Seminary, where he received his Degree of Bachelor of Divinity in 1942. After his ordination, he occupied the pulpit of the United Congregational Church of Chicago.

Genuinely concerned with the welfare of all people, Mr. Baehr, who is of Pennsylvania Dutch Mennonite background, reached out from his pulpit to participate in local civic affairs. He firmly resisted the racial and religious prejudice of his community. Seeking to free the educational system of Chicago from political domination, Mr. Baehr served with distinction as a member of the Board of the Citizens School Committee. In 1946-47, he was president of the West Side Ministers and Rabbis Association of Chicago.

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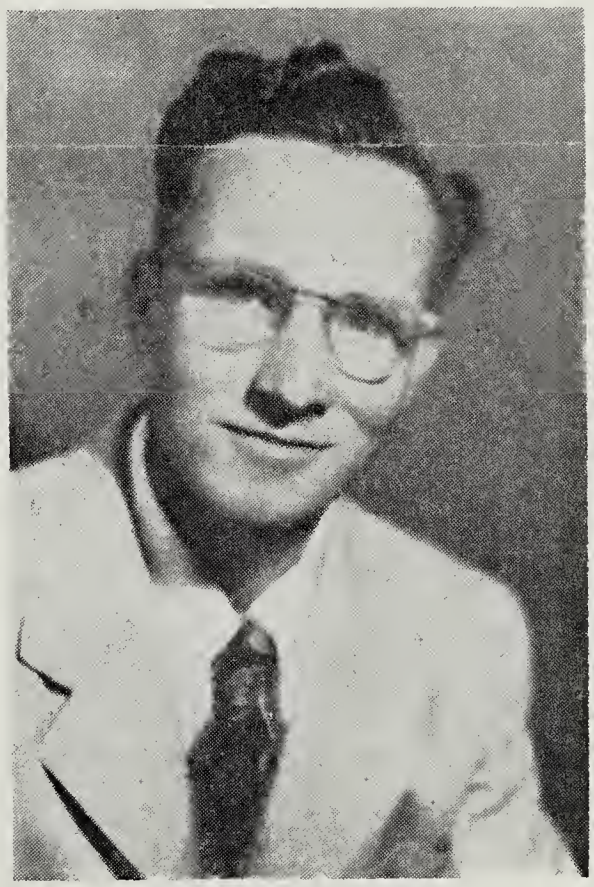

REV. KARL BAEHR

Purim Masquerade Festival February 25

The Annual Congregational *Purim* Party will be sponsored this year by Sisterhood on Saturday evening, February 25. Mrs. Grace Gilbert, Program Chairman, has arranged for a gala occasion to celebrate this festive holiday.

The festivities will commence with the reading of the *Megillah* in the Synagogue at 7:30 P.M. to be followed by a masquerade ball in the Lemberg Auditorium. Noisemakers will be provided in the Synagogue and masks for those who come without costume.

There will be dancing, feasting and wine for the guests. In addition, a grand march in which all of those in costume will participate. Prizes will be awarded by a selected Committee of outstanding citizens. Those who can come in costume are requested to do so or in formal attire — but if either is impossible, come any way, just so long as you will be there.

Dressing rooms are being provided in the Milton Steinberg House for those desiring to change after the reading of the *Megillah* although it is quite proper to attend the Religious Services dressed in an appropriate costume.

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Purim Greetings From Our President

These greetings are written in the patio of the house where Mrs. Klein and I are staying in Palm Beach and the sun is shining brightly and furiously. While thinking what to write, I found myself humming the song which Mary Martin made famous by the way she sang it, i.e. "My Heart Belongs to Daddy" and I felt the urge to change it to read "My Heart belongs to the Park Avenue Synagogue", only I can't say my whole heart, but a goodly portion of it.

Although I am a thousand miles away from you and I cannot be with you in person, I am with you in spirit, and Mrs. Klein and I extend to you our heartiest good wishes on the occasion of this joyous festival of *Purim* and trust that the *Purim* affair on February 25 will be a great success. This should be a get together affair for the entire membership body and good will and a friendly spirit should prevail among all the members of the Park Avenue Synagogue. "*Laihoodim hoyson oru, vesimcho veesoosoni vekor*", "The Jews had light and joy, and gladness and honor".

This quotation is from the *Megillah*, the story of *Purim*, and is the only quotation from the Book of Esther in the prayer book.

May all the members of the Park Avenue Synagogue and the entire house of Israel have light, joy and honor and serve God and the Park Avenue Synagogue with a full heart and an honest endeavor to be kind to one another. As Ben Zoma said in the Ethics of the Fathers, "Who is mighty: he who subdues his passions; he that is slow to anger is better than the mighty and he that ruleth over his spirit, than he who taketh a city."

Abraham Lincoln was asked by a friend of his, why he was so kind to his enemies—one would think he would rather destroy them. Lincoln replied "By being kind to my enemies, I destroy them and they then become my friends."

I conclude with the injunction. Be kind to all and a happy *Purim*.

JACOB KLEIN, *President*

Brotherhood Service

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Later, coming to grips with problems of international significance, he became deeply interested in the awakening Near East and the rise of the new State of Israel. In 1947 he left the United Church to assume the position which he now occupies with marked executive ability. He has published articles in such periodicals as CHRISTIANITY AND CRISIS, WORLD CALL, THE CHURCHMAN, ZION'S HERALD.

Viewing the so-called "Jewish problem" through the eyes of a Christian minister, he looks upon it as a world problem and, therefore, in a final analysis, as a Christian problem. In his keen analysis, the new State of Israel represents a victory for the democratic forces in the world and demonstrates in a remarkable way the great development potentials of underdeveloped lands and backward peoples.

You will not want to miss the opportunity to hear this inspiring and interesting speaker. We urge our members and their friends to attend and to invite their non-Jewish friends to this special Service, which has been arranged by our Committee on Adult Education.

Unusual Costume Display Part of Purim Workshop

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

Those who attended the Workshop of the Parents Association held on February 22, at the Park Avenue Synagogue, saw an unusual display of costumes created by Mrs. Adolph Stangel, chairman of Workshop.

This collection of over seventy original costumes formed the nucleus of a COSTUME LENDING SERVICE where parents of children of the Religious School were able to borrow costumes for their youngsters. Mrs. Stangel, who originated this novel idea, was on hand to help them make their selection of *Purim* costumes.

In addition to the costume exhibit, a table was set in traditional *Purim* style with decorations to carry out the *Purim* motif. Mrs. Stanley Simon was also present to give complete instructions in the art of making *Purim* puppets.

Several Class Mothers assisted in this project and were able to instruct many of the parents who took advantage of this splendid display, designed to help them create in their homes the holiday atmosphere so symbolic of this joyous, merry festival.

Our thanks to Mrs. Stangel, through whose creative efforts this unusual Workshop was made possible.

Schedule of Services

Friday Evening, February 24 ..... 8:30 P.M.
BROTHERHOOD SABBATH
Reverend Karl Baehr "In Search of Brotherhood"

Saturday Morning, February 25 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Harry Pincus,
Son of Dr. and Mrs. Joseph A. Pincus
Rabbi Noveck will speak

Saturday Evening, February 25 ..... 7:30 P.M.
Purim* — Reading of the *Megillah

Friday Evening, March 2 ..... 8:30 P.M.
Rabbi Noveck will speak

Saturday Morning, March 3 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Thomas Gluckman,
Son of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Gluckman
Rabbi Noveck will speak

Daily Minyan Service Every Evening
Appleman Chapel, Milton Steinberg House — 6:00 P.M.

SCHOOL NEWS

By MARTIN LEICHTLING

Puppet Theatre

During Open School Week, the many visitors to the school had an opportunity to witness a puppet show that was produced by the Dramatics Group under the direction of Mr. Alan Blaine of the Hebrew Department.

The stage sets, the lighting, the puppets and some of the music in the production of "Abram in the Idol Shop" were prepared by the students, who recorded the sound and musical effects on the tape recorder and then synchronized the action to the tape. At the conclusion of the performance, which was praised by many of the adults as being "almost professional" in execution, Mr. Blaine announced that the stage and the library of twelve puppets will be available to the teachers for classroom instruction.

Credits for the Puppet Theatre: PUPPETEERS: Stephen Eisenberg, Joan Hoexter, George Pollack and Lillian Wiener. VOICES: Rose Forster, Jerol Politzer and Sheldon Steinbach. SCENERY: Donald Bachman and Joan Helpern. CURTAIN: Mrs. Jack Kurzweil. MUSIC: Mr. Arthur Yolkoff.

Purim

An extensive program is being planned for the students of the Religious School to make the *Purim* celebration this year a memorable one.

All students in the Religious School and their parents are invited to join with us in the Reading of the *Megillah* on Thursday, February 23, at 5:00 P.M. in the Lemberg Auditorium. The Dramatic Group, under the guidance of Mr. Blaine will present "Up Haman's Sleeve" featuring music, comedy and adventure. Refreshments and *Greggers* will be distributed.

The Lemberg Auditorium will be transformed into a carnival area on Sunday, February 26 at 10:00 A.M. Gaily decorated booths, featuring games of chance and skill, will encourage students and parents to spend their "holiday money" freely and help to strengthen our Keren Ami Fund.

Students, who come dressed in holiday costumes, will be eligible for the ten door prizes which will be distributed to the holders of lucky numbers.

Report to Parents

"This is a report to the parents of the children enrolled in the Religious School.

The Student Council of the Park Avenue Religious School has been functioning for some time and the results have been very gratifying.

Our job in the student council is to make the students' stay in the Religious School a more enjoyable one. We attain this goal by having social events where every student will have a good time.

This year our holiday parties and school celebrations were more successful than they have been in many years because there is not that much of a difference in age. Classes two, three and four are in the same general social group and have common interests.

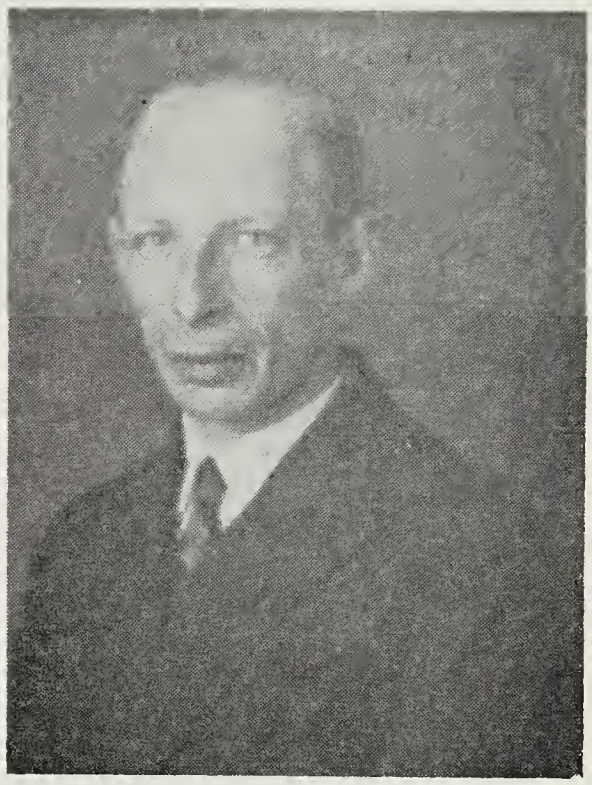
Some of the events planned for the enjoyment of the students, are: a *Purim* Carnival where the proceeds will go to Karen Ami, a dance, a feature length movie, and possibly an outing to a baseball game."

DAVID J. REICHMAN, *President*

Adult Education Courses on Prayer Start Monday, February 27, 8:30 P. M.

It will be our privilege to have Dr. Albert Salomon once again give a course in connection with our adult education program.

Dr. Salomon, an outstanding sociologist of our time, has been professor of The Graduate Faculty of Political and Social Science of the New School since 1935. Previous to his arrival in this country he taught at universities in Berlin and Cologne, Germany. He has also lectured in his specialized field at Syracuse, Columbia and Brandeis Universities. Dr. Salomon is the author of the recently published TYRANNY OF PROGRESS and numerous articles on sociology, political theory and intellectual history in modern society.



PROF. ALBERT SALOMON

This year Dr. Salomon, who is a member of the Park Avenue Synagogue, has been requested to give a special course on PRAYER—ITS MEANING IN THE JEWISH LITURGY, which promises to be of great interest to our membership. The following are the topics that will be covered:

February 27—The Pattern of Prayer
March 5—Prayers of Affirmation
March 12—Prayers of Repentance
March 19—Prayers of Redemption
April 2 and
April 9—The Psalms as part of the Liturgy
April 16—Sanctification of the Name
April 23—The Holy Spirit
April 30—The Synagogue

The entire membership and their friends are cordially invited to attend this very stimulating lecture series.

Parents Association Meets With Similar S. A. J. Group

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

On March 14, the Parents Association of the Park Avenue Synagogue will hold a joint meeting with the members of the Parents group from the Society for the Advancement of Judaism.

This meeting, the first of its kind, will be held in the S.A.J. Auditorium, 15 West 86th Street, New York City. Rabbi Abraham E. Millgram, Educational Director of the United Synagogue of America, will be the guest speaker.

Plans for this function were discussed at a meeting held recently at the home of Mrs. Walter A. Socolow, 45 East 82 Street, with a committee representing S.A.J. and a group from the Park Avenue Synagogue Parents Association, headed by Mrs. Herman Helpern, its president.

Complete details will be published in the next issue of the BULLETIN, but meanwhile, please reserve this important date—Wednesday evening, March 14 — and plan to attend.

Men's Club to Sponsor Purim Sports Festival

By LOUIS HELLER

Men's Club is having its Father-Child *Purim* Sports Festival on Tuesday, February 28, starting at 8 P.M., in the Lemberg Auditorium. Professor Nat Holman, head basketball coach at The City College of New York, will be the principal guest. He will give a short talk on "My Life in Sports", a discussion of sports personalities and techniques, with special demonstrations.

As this program holds special interest for the younger people of our congregation, all the boys and girls, who are 13 years of age or older, are invited to come bringing either their fathers, grandfathers, or uncles.

Nat Holman is known to millions of sport fans throughout the world as "Mr. Basketball." This current year is his 36th as head basketball coach at CCNY. He has been a part of basketball almost since it originated, learning to play as a child on New York's lower East Side.

"Mr. Basketball"

NAT HOLMAN

After finishing his schooling, Holman turned professional and eventually joined the Original Celtics in 1921, playing with them until 1929 when the team was disbanded for lack of competition. During that period sportswriters were calling him "pro basketball's greatest star."

As teacher of the game, he has few equals. Professor Holman has become noted for his ability to develop ball players, many without previous experience, into well coordinated teams. There were six seasons in which his squads lost but one game a year, and in 1950, CCNY's team reached the top of the basketball world, winning both the NCAA tournament and the NIT titles, for basketball's first and only "Grand Slam".

In 1949 Nat Holman went to Israel at the invitation of the Israeli government to devclop a program for the game in that country.

Of course some extra special refreshments will be served that night, so be sure to come on time — 8 P.M., on Tuesday, February 28. Don't forget, boys and girls 13 years or older, come and bring your fathers, grandfathers or uncles.

Schedule of Coming Synagogue Events

February 24, 8:30 P.M. — Brotherhood Sabbath
Reverend Karl Baehr will speak on "In Search of Brotherhood"

February 25, 9:30 A.M. — Sabbath Morning Service
Bar Mitzvah of Harry Pincus
7:30 P.M. Reading of *Megillah—Purim* Celebration to be followed by Masquerade Party in Lemberg Auditorium

February 26, 1:00 A.M. — Religious School *Purim* Carnival

February 27 — Monday Night Adult Education Courses
8:30 P.M. Professor Albert Salomon will lecture on "The Pattern of Prayer"

February 28, 8:00 P.M. — *Purim* Sports Festival Party sponsored by Men's Club

March 2, 8:30 P.M. — Friday Evening Service

March 3, 9:30 A.M. — Sabbath Morning Service
Bar Mitzvah of Thomas Gluckman

March 5 — Monday Night Adult Education Courses
8:30 P.M. Professor Albert Salomon will lecture on "Prayers of Affirmation"

RESERVE MAY 11

Our members are urged to reserve Friday evening, May 11 for the Twelfth Annual Service of New Liturgical Music by Contemporary Composers.

This year we will present the world premiere performance of a complete Sabbath eve service by Mr. Siegfried Landau, the renowned young composer, conductor, lecturer.

Reservations for tickets will be mailed in the near future.

Congratulations

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Zorn—Birth of daughter Amy Sue
Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Liberman — Birth of grandson Randall Alan
Mr. and Mrs. Robert Greenstein — Birth of twins and to the grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Louis Greenstein
Dr. and Mrs. William Karmiol — Engagement of daughter Stephanie to Mandel Kuber
Marriage of Miss Elinor Ruth Rohrlich to Bevin David Koeppel

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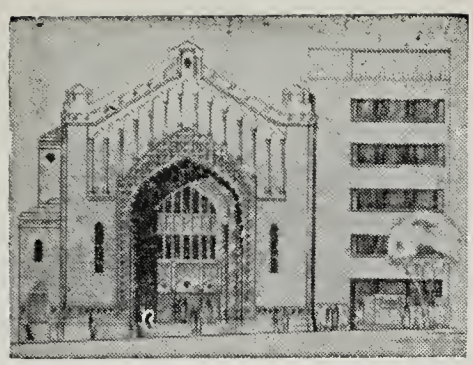

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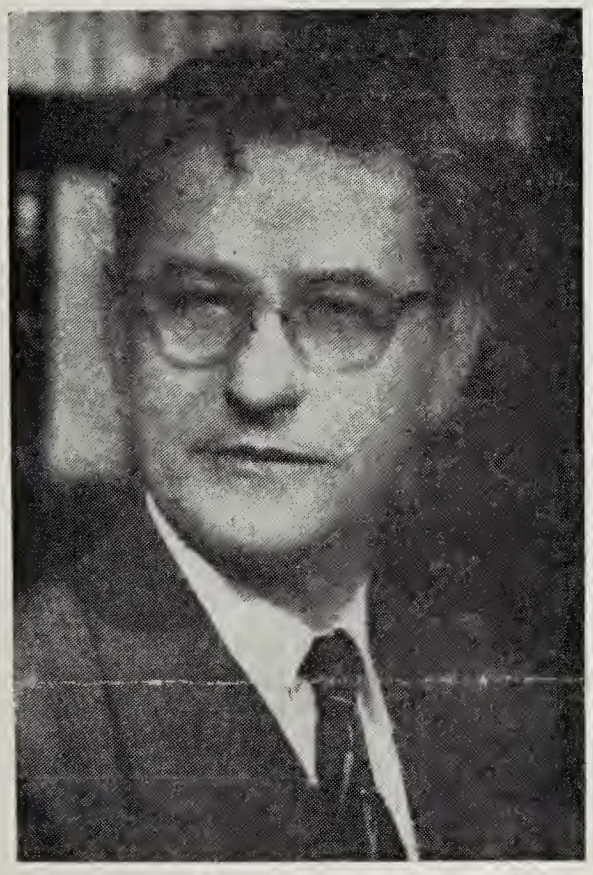
S.A.J. and P.A.S. Groups To Meet Jointly March 14

By Rhea M. Ruttenberg

The Parents Associations of the Park Avenue Synagogue and the Society for the Advancement of Judaism will hold a combined meeting at the S.A.J. building, 15 West 86th Street, on Wednesday, March 14, at 8:30 P.M.

This meeting, the first of its kind, will bring together the two Parents groups for an exchange of ideas on a subject of common interest—their children.



DR. ABRAHAM E. MILLGRAM

Dr. Abraham E. Millgram, Educational Director of the United Synagogue of America since 1945, will be the guest speaker. He will discuss: "How can Jewish Education best prepare our children for life?"

Dr. Millgram, who received his B.S. degree from the College of the City of New York, his M.A. from Columbia University, and his Ph.D. from Dropsie College, is well known, not only as a rabbi

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Milton Steinberg House Honored By Architects

The Milton Steinberg House of the Park Avenue Synagogue has been selected by the New York Architectural League as one of the six best architectural projects of the entire nation..

A competition is being held by the League for selecting from among the six the one most qualified for the Gold Medal Award. Originally hundreds had been submitted. The exhibition is now under way of outstanding projects in the field of architecture, sculpture, engineering, mural decoration, design and craftsmanship. Our building is also being considered for the craftsmanship award.

The exhibition may be viewed at the Headquarters of the New York Architectural League, 155 East 40 Street between March 12 and March 30. The announcement of the Gold Medal will be made some time during the exhibit.

Kelly and Gruzen were the architects for the Milton Steinberg House together with Robert Greenstein, one of the members of the Park Avenue Synagogue as supervising architect. The building was constructed by H.R.H. Construction Co. with one of our Trustees, Saul Horowitz, a member of the firm.

Milton Steinberg Yahrzeit, Friday Evening, March 16

In accordance with our custom, the Friday evening Services to be held on March 16 will commemorate the 6th Yahrzeit Services of the late Milton Steinberg, Rabbi of the Park Avenue Synagogue from 1933-1950.

Rabbi Simon Noveck will deliver a lecture on Jewish theology in commemoration of this 6th Yahrzeit. Hazzan David J. Putterman and Choir will sing some of the favorite liturgical selections of Rabbi Steinberg.

Young Folks Reserve This Date!

The Youth Club of Park Avenue Synagogoue will hold a dance in the Lemberg Auditorium on Saturday evening, March 24 for the benefit of UJA. Tickets may be obtained from Hy Sankel, Youth Director, at $1.50 per person or $2.00 per couple.

Schedule of Services

Friday Evening, March 9 ..... 8:30 P.M.
Rabbi Noveck will speak

Saturday Morning, March 10 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will speak

Friday Evening, March 16 ..... 8:30 P.M.
Rabbi Noveck will deliver a lecture on Jewish theology in commemoration of the Sixth *Yahrzeit* of Rabbi Milton Steinberg

Saturday Morning, March 17 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will speak

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From the Desk of the Executive Director

On Friday evening, March 16 the Synagogue will commemorate the 6th Anniversary of the death of Rabbi Milton Steinberg. Like many of the families who are now part of Park Avenue Synagogue, I was not fated to have known him. However, the printed word has been able to bring me very much of the greatness of the man in whose memory our Synagogue built the Milton Steinberg House.

For one who had never heard a sermon by Rabbi Milton Steinberg, a book published two years ago entitled "From the Sermons of Rabbi Milton Steinberg" can to some degree fill this void. Presumably the book is intended more for teachers and students though the sermons given in outline form, when read with patience, can be followed very clearly.

In an effort to increase the understanding among our members of the greatness that was Steinberg's, we print this year on the anniversary of his sixth Yahrzeit his sermon entitled "The Secret of Forgiveness". What this writer has found refreshing and emotionally stimulating is not only the breadth of knowledge and culture which the sermon reflects, but more particularly the void it fills for those of us who are ever seeking distinctive Jewish approaches to the problems of living. In "The Secret of Forgiveness" one will find an excellent Jewish statement for modern man. Although the occasion of this Sermon was Kol Nidre night, the problem of forgiveness is with all of us every day of the year.

SIDNEY R. KATZ
Executive Director

Purim Services and Masquerade Party

Inaugurating a new method of awarding the honors in connection with the Annual Reading of the Megillah on Purim, Mr. Jacob Klein, President of the Synagogue, reached from the depth of Florida and came up with the families of five new members who were honored with selections from the Megillah. They were: Morris Fox, Leona Giat, Harry Markowitz, Alan Mehlman, John Stangel.

Also honored with selections to read were: Mrs. Grace Gilbert representing the Sisterhood, Mr. Milton Sivek representing the Men's Club, Harold Kurte for the Senior League and Mrs. Herman Helpern for the Parents Association. Another novel feature consisted in awarding one of the honors to Mr. Allan Blaine, one of the favorite teachers in our Religious School.

Following the reading of the Megillah, a masquerade party took place in the Lemberg Auditorium. Highlight of the Ball was its parade of contestants in costumes ranging from the real to the ridiculous. The judges were hard put to choose the winners.

Prizes were finally awarded as follows: Most Amusing: Chassidish Wedding with Dr. Sigmund Siegel as the blushing bride, Becky Edelson as the bashful bridegroom, Dr. Ed Edelson, Phyllis Siegel, Marie Meistrich and Rhoda Fieber as the "Chupah bearers".
Most Original: King Ahasuerus designed and executed by Grace Gilbert and worn by Sidney R. Katz. *Most Beautiful*: "Gay Nineties", Irma Heller costume (and lady). Close runners-up were: Spanish Senorita — Anna Edelman, French Apache and Zamar of the Jungle—Walter and Henrietta Roth, Queen of Hearts—Grace Gilbert, Queen Esther —Judy Goldsmith, Rabbi and Cantor—Stephen Stowe and David Noveck, Peasant—Lillian Friedland, May West—Ida Waldman, Charlie McCarthy — Louis Greenstein.

Judges were: Hon. Benjamin Marvin. Nelson Ruttenberg and Harry J. Sokolow.

Haman Tashen and wine and an excellent band kept the guests equally gay and cheerful.

UJA Survival Fund Campaign Under Way

The 1956 campaign for the United Jewish Appeal got off to a good start at the opening rally luncheon, February 14, in the grand ball room of the Sheraton Astor, when over a million dollars was raised.

This year's effort embraces two campaigns; the general annual campaign to meet the world-wide Jewish needs, with a national goal of $105 million dollars, and the Special Survival Fund campaign with a goal of $25 million dollars, which will be used exclusively in Israel for immigrant absorption and rehabilitation purposes.

The Special Survival Fund was created as an emergency measure through which Jews outside Israel will accept full responsibility for the rescue and rehabilitation of more than 50,000 North African Jews who seek to settle in Israel this year.

The Women's Division of UJA is ably represented in the Park Avenue Synagogue by the Sisterhood representatives, Mrs. Benjamin Sack, chairman, and her co-chairman, Mrs. Abel Phillips. The members of their committee are now busily engaged in soliciting members of the synagogue in behalf of UJA, so if you should hear from these volunteer workers, please respond willingly and generously. They are giving of their services in a good cause, so why not help them achieve their goal by giving of your resources.

Mrs. Benjamin Sack also doubles as chairman of the Special Gifts Committee of the Women's Division for Manhattan. Their group will hold a mammoth brunch at Pierres on March 14.

Mr. Ezra Cohen, Chairman of the Board of Trustees thanked all who assisted in the work at the Purim Party particularly Mrs. Grace Gilbert who was its Program Chairman and represented the Sisterhood. The others who served on the Committee were: Mrs. Shy Rosen, Mrs. Louis Greenstein, Mrs. Markowitz and daughter, Mrs. Tubie Resnik, Mrs. Ted Meistrich and Mrs. Samuel Gellert.

SPECIAL MEMORIAL SUPPLEMENT — MILTON STEINBERG SIXTH YAHRZEIT

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BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH — — RABBI MILTON STEINBERG

Born in Rochester, N. Y. in 1903. Educated in public schools of Rochester. New York City. B.A. (Phi Beta Kappa and Summa Cum Laude) C.C.N.Y., 1924. Instructor Classical Languages, C.C.N.Y. 1924-1925. Instructor Jewish History and Religion, Teachers' Institute of Jewish Theological Seminary of America, 1926-1928. Rabbi, Jewish Theological Seminary, 1928. M.A. Columbia University, 1928. Doctor of Hebrew Letters awarded *honoris causa* by the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, September 1946. Served as Rabbi, Temple Beth-El Zedeck, Indianapolis, Indiana, 1928-1933. Rabbi of the Park Avenue Synagogue, New York City, September 1933-March 20, 1950 when he died.

Author of articles which have appeared in *The Journal of Religion, The Modern Thinker, The Atlantic Monthly, Common Ground, The Contemporary Jewish Record,* also pamphlets for the United Jewish Appeal. Member of the Editorial Board of *The Reconstructionist.*

Author of *The Making of the Modern Jew* (Bobbs-Merrill, 1934); published in England by George Routledge & Sons, 1934; revised edition Behrman House, (1948), New York. Author of *As A Driven Leaf,* a philosophical novel set against the background of Jewish and Greek life in the 2nd Century of our era, (Bobbs-Merrill); recently translated into Hebrew and published in Palestine. Author of *A Partisan Guide to the Jewish Problem,* (Bobbs-Merrill, 1945). Author of *Basic Judaism* (Harcourt, Brace, 1947).

"THE SECRET OF FORGIVENESS"

A *Kol Nidre* sermon by Rabbi Milton Steinberg taken from "Sermons of Rabbi Milton Steinberg" and edited by Bernard Mandelbaum. (Bloch Publishing Co.)

How vivid to us are the memories of our childhood.
How they stand out with all the firm outlines of a newly stamped coin—clearer often than the recollection of what may have happened only yesterday.

Kol Nidre night—
Scene from my early boyhood—I can remember with perfect clarity—little synagogue—aged bearded Jews, dressed in pure white "kittels"—they moved to and fro about the crowded aisles addressing one another—
"What are they doing?"
"They are seeking from each other pardon and forgiveness before *Kol Nidre*," was the reply.

At the time the answer meant nothing to me.
the words—"forgiveness," "pardon"—no significance.

What did I know then of the fact that human beings wrong one another—of that burning need which we all have for exoneration from our fellow.

Neither did I know the beautiful tradition, Jewish law—to seek forgiveness from all on eve of *Yom Hakippurim*.

In all ages, Judaism has taught pardon, forgiveness, sacred literature filled with it—
"Thou shalt not take vengeance, nor bear any grudge . . ." (Lev. 19:18)

Bible—story of Joseph
Jacob died—Joseph forgives
"Fear not, for I am in the place of God?" (Gen. 50:15)

Like the Bible in the Talmud,
"He who waives his right of retribution is forgiven all his sins"

We are told of a Rabbi, Mar Zutra, every night would say "I forgive all who have vexed me."

Tonight, solemn night of the year and any number of possible themes, I have chosen this simple vision as my theme —tempted by metaphysical flights
nothing more relevant—nothing more important

He who forgives, he shall be forgiven.

How beautiful a sentiment, but how difficult an execution.
We in our lives—
There is none among us who has not at some time or other been hurt to the inmost recesses of his being by somebody.

You may remember—
malicious slander—humiliated in public—some dear possession—employer—served faithfully wives, husbands—betrayal

We think of these things—bitter with resentment.

It is easy enough to admire the old Jews—*Yom Kippur* at night.

But does not Judaism ask the impossible when it commands—
Forgive your enemies!

The inability to forgive, often the one vice of the virtuous, is the only blot on a noble character.

This is the dividing line between the great and the near great, the truly noble and the imitation.

1. Of all the artists—Michelangelo
   He had a soul that vibrated sympathetically to anything beautiful. His fingers could carve marble into awe-inspiring giants.
   His pen could write the softest and sweetest poetry.
   His brush could mirror his fertile imagination.
   Sistine Chapel—David—Moses
   This was the one blot on his character.
   He could not forgive.
   like some crack in the marble statue of life
   A friend of his once dared to criticize one of his pictures . . .
2. Greatest poet of the middle ages—Dante
   imagination—spirit of that divine love
   A great man? Only near great—described tortures that will be inflicted on his enemies.

Against these illustrations of weakness the truly great stand out all the more boldly.

1. Uncounted are the wrongs which the Jewish people inflicted on Moses.
   refused to believe him—betrayed his God—accused him of dishonesty rebelled against his leadership—insulted him
   He stand pleading with God for the Jewish people.
2. Abraham Lincoln—quality of forbearance—Chaste
   insulted him publicly—intrigued against him—expressed contempt
   the South—maligning of Lincoln
   When the Civil War was over, when the near-great clamored for revenge upon the South,
   Lincoln alone could find it in his heart to say, "With malice toward none; with charity for all".

An old saying has it that to err is human to forgive divine.
Do we not all feel something of the Divine in these illustrations of supreme forbearance?
thrill with admiration

All of us reverence this quality of forgiveness.
We all accept it in theory and not at all in practice.
But why do we fail in this supreme challenge in character?
What is there in our temperaments?

In the first place, there is in man what the Rabbis called "the evil impulse"
part of the old animal—the beast of the jungle

Have you ever played with a kitten and caressed it—purr—rub the fur the wrong way—the purring stops—animal attempts to escape.

If you hold it and persist, it will grow angry; its back will arch; its claws distend.

That is the universal animal.
All living things grow angry when they are hurt.
All higher beings if they cannot express their anger for the moment, seek revenge.

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"THE SECRET OF FORGIVENESS"

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For revenge is only clotted and coagulated anger, choked up resentment, hatred that has no outlet.
It is the suspended blow that could not be struck.

Now anger is an unpleasant feeling—
expression of it—a pleasurable release
the man who stubs his toe in the dark . . .

That is the only one reason why we refuse to forgive—
We will not give up the pleasure of striking back.
What a delight it is to get even!
cutting remark—animal joy—stabbing back—
turning the knife around
How sweet it is to make the gossip eat his words!
How delicious to humiliate and trample upon him who has shamed us!
We lie awake nights, seething with suppressed wrath, dreaming.

You do not believe me?

1. If Winter Comes—the chronicle of a fine and decent human being—book describes how out of wanton malice a business associate of Mark Sabre's sets out to ruin him
   work — wife — honor
   at the darkest moment of Sabre's life—piece of paper
   Personal reaction—pain in story—disappointment—cheated at ending
2. Popularity of Count of Monte Cristo

This then is one basic cause for refusal to forgive—
Will not admit it to ourselves—feel undignified.
When we are accused, we deny it hotly.
protest—unfair—insist on moral right, absolute justice

We go further—
Forgiveness is not only wrong morally, we say, it is also dangerous—breaks down morality
example—child who discovers it and takes advantage

What becomes of society if we pardon every offense?
Devil quotes scripture
"A learned man who fails to take vengeance is not really a learned man."

Is personal forgiveness a violation of justice?
two kinds of justice

a. law courts—symbolized by blind woman holding scale—so much for so much
b. justice of family—punishment, forgiveness

What is the difference?

a. justice of law court—deed identical with person
   criminal—may be an idealist—a dreamer—whole person is punished
b. father—deed only partial expression of person
   still good in person—retrieve it
   modern criminology

No one asks that we pardon deed—father
does not—criminologist
correct mistakes—save what is good in person
"Let sinners cease . . ."
"The written text (suggests) sins as the meaning and not sinner."

Unless that is done—
person attempts to atone—we will not listen
hate person so—can see no good in him
paradox—everyone else says so-and-so is a decent sort, I insist alone that he is not
lose opportunity to redeem him
Hillel, Shammai and the pagan

Well, we recognize all this—logical—true—valid.
How can we avoid indulging in pleasure—confusing person with deed?

1. Recognize the part played by animal pleasure in offender.
2. Use your imagination.
   All of us see into ourselves—what we lack is the capacity to see others

To do hurt is as natural as to live.
We forget, when we resent slander, that we have slandered.
Yes, but we had our reasons—careless—
he deserved it—
human nature of a piece
He also thought that he had good reason.
"Don't judge your associate until you find yourself in his place."

For the offender may seem like arch-villain—from without.
Get inside of him.
poor, frail soul
limitations like ours
fears—excuses
thirst for life
He is us—only position different.

3. Understanding
   each of us a product of circumstance
   heredity—environment
   the boisterous hoodlum in subway—slum
   the bully—domineering father—compensation
   the slanderer—feels insecure—wants to be important
   When you understand you cannot hate.

This is the way of forgiveness, of refusing to regard deed as equal to person.
renounce pleasure of revenge
imagination and understanding

Test case—Nazi Germany
hideous wrong
liberty—democracy
innocent people—careers, lives
forgotten benefits
attack on us

Sense of outrage
people react two ways
do nothing
the true reaction—fight Nazism—seek Jewish rights but without hating

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How can we avoid hating—
1. Pleasure of hating must be renounced
2. Must not confuse whole with part.
   German culture
   German decency today
3. Use your imagination and understanding.
   war—Versailles Treaty—reparations
   inflation

Would we not seek a scapegoat too?
even Hitler—
starving housepainter—cafes in
Vienna—obsessed
one confines a lunatic—does not
hate him
The saints would forgive, but fight
Nazism—so must we.
How much we personally need forgiveness today.
Each man kills the thing he loves.
Have we not knowingly or unknowingly erred?
Careless of those who love us—hurt
our parents, wives, children—
betrayed our friends.
All because we are frail human beings.
Do we not want them to understand that we
meant no evil, to understand and to forgive?
Then we must too understand and forgive those
who have offended against us.
Yes—we need forgiveness from somebody.
And shall we not give it?
Is there not enough pain and unhappiness in
the world without our adding to its sum?
Must we not, all of us, suffer disease and hunger,
watch those we love die, see life slip from our
fingers, dreams fade?
Has not each heart its full share, that we must
seek revenge and fill the cup of anguish to
overflowing?
That is the lesson of Kol Nidre. Let us no
more tear ourselves from each other—hate,
resent and seek to hurt.
The world is cold enough.
Let us rather huddle together for warmth,
hold hands for comfort.
That in this terrifying business of living,
we may find some rest and surcease.
That if life must have its sorrow, it may
be as slight as we can make it.
That we may spread as much happiness as lies
in our poor power—between this day and
that dark veil that leads to the world
beyond, where all is forgiven because
all is understood.

Fresh Kids, Chassidim, And Lawn-Mowing

by MRS. THEODORE KAPLAN

If word reached you that it was raining silver dollars, the chances are you'd rush outside to see, and finding the news true, you would hurry to shovel up a few. Well, here's word that on Monday evenings at the Adult Classes of the Synagogue, it has been raining wisdom and humor and knowledge, but so few seem to know about it that this is to spread the news before the wealth is withdrawn and those who haven't been sharing it may still get in on the bonanza.

Imagine having a chance to listen to a man who is all these: a Rabbi, a Ph.D. and practicing psychotherapist, and the father of five daughters! Imagine listening to him discuss what the Rabbis have to say about modern child-training! This privilege was ours during the first semester when Dr. Sidney Kosofsky conducted a course on Jewish Family Life. Fresh kids? Dr. Kosofsky reminded us that this is the age of the enthronement of the child, whereas the Rabbis always planked for the enthronement of the parent. "In Jewish tradition," he said, "the father, mother and God are regarded as partners in the upbringing of the child." Quarrels? Dr. Kosofsky interpolated a charming idea. In the last prayer of the *Kaddish*, the "*Oseh Sholom*" it is customary to take three step back. Since those words have to do with the making of peace, the gesture may imply that the best way to make peace is to back up a little!

But those riches are all scooped up for the time being and many who missed out on them would do well to ask for another chance. This semester, the excitement is about What Branch of Judaism Will You Have? Of course there's no doubt as to the branch which WE'LL have, but we've been inquiring and learning about the alternatives before concentrating upon—and dissecting, if we wish—our own choice. In discussing *Chassidism*, Rabbi Noveck acknowledged the contributions which may well be the legacy of this sect to modern Judaism, namely: Aesthetics (Emotionalism, Joy). Personal Guidance (closeness and confidence as with a Tsaddik), and Democracy (respect and welcome for the unlearned, the non-student).

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Youth Activities Division

By HY SANKEL

Our Brownie Troop under the leadership of Mrs. William Miller and Mrs. Abraham Sherr has developed a program of which we may justly be proud. However, because of the fine work being accomplished, a severe problem of accommodating applicants has developed. We have a long waiting list but an insufficient number of leaders. If anyone would like to provide a vital community service by volunteering, we will be glad to provide the necessary training. It's fun and service too.

The Brownies and Girl Scouts attended the District Party commemorating the birth of Juliet Loew, founder of the Girl Scouts. All had a wonderful time. On Sunday, March 11, both troops will march in the Manhattan Parade.

On March 10, during Girl Scout Week our troops will act as ushers at the Saturday Morning Service. Mrs. Stanley Simon and Mrs. Jaques Kaplan, leaders of the Girl Scouts will be in charge of arrangements.

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL NEWS

By MARTIN LEICHTLING

Youth Leadership Award

The Men's Club of the Park Avenue Synagogue once again, will sponsor the "Youth Leadership Award" to be presented to an outstanding student in our school at *Shavuot* time. This award is made in each synagogue in the U. S. where there is a men's club affiliated with the National Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs.

Mr. Milton M. Sivek, President of Men's Club, announced that a sterling silver medal and a certificate will be given to the young person who combines proficiency in Hebrew studies and non Hebraic studies with those qualities which show a great potential "aptitude for future leadership in Jewish life."

Ramah Camps

More than 1000 children and young people attended the three Ramah Camps —in Wisconsin, the Poconos and in Connecticut—during the past summer. This year, a fourth Ramah Camp in California will be in full operation and equipped for 200 campers.

The Ramah Camps, under the guidance of the Jewish Theological Seminary, offer a complete program of educational, athletic, creative and religious activities. The regular program, which is the traditional feature of American summer camping, is enriched by active participation in Hebrew language studies and Hebrew cultural activities.

Each year a number of our students attend the Ramah Camps and all return with most glowing reports of their summer experiences. Parents, who may be interested in Ramah in 1956, are advised to call the Seminary for further information.

Art Exhibit

The Jewish Museum, 92nd Street and Fifth Avenue, opens its 13th Annual Children's Art Exhibition on the evening of March 14. The theme of the exhibit is "Home and the Family" and will stress the family in early Biblical times, the family circle in the present time, the place of the family in the community, and all the milestones in the life of a family—births, Bar Mitzvahs, weddings, and Anniversaries.

Many Schools—our Religious School has submitted three entries—have prepared work in various media; painting, murals, models, dioramas, mobiles and clay work.

Parents who visit the museum with their children, will also find the other exhibits of the Museum most interesting.

The beautiful silver objects—*Torah* ornaments, spice boxes, Sabbath lamps, *Hannukah* Menorahs and other ceremonial objects for synagogue and home use —are exhibited on the second floor. These objects were designed over the centuries and in widely separated geographic areas. On the third floor pewter and brass objects are displayed.

The Museum also holds temporary exhibits of particular interest. At present the work of Maurycy Gottlieb, Polish portrait painter who died in 1879, at the age of 23, is on display. Following this exhibit, there will be an extensive showing of the work of Max Weber, one of the foremost contemporary American artists. The exhibit will emphasize the Jewish themes that appear and reappear in Mr. Weber's work.

S.A.J. and P.A.S. Groups

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and educator, but also as an author. Among his publications are "The Anthology of Medieval Hebrew Literature", "Sabbath, the Day of Delight", and his most recent "Handbook for the Congregational School Board."

After serving as Rabbi of Temple Beth Israel in Philadelphia for a period of ten years, Dr. Millgram became the Director of the Hillel Foundation at the University of Minnesota. His work there with college boys and girls has proved to be a most valuable experience to Dr. Millgram in his understanding of young people.

Following the lecture, there will be a symposium during which the audience will have an opportunity to discuss specific problems that face children today in their social and academic adjustments at various age levels.

Refreshments and a social hour will conclude this joint venture of the Parents groups of two neighborhood synagogues.

Fresh Kids

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Did you know why the *Al Chayt* prayer on *Yom Kippur* is in alphabetical order? A *Chassidic* leader, we were told, explained it as a matter of humaneness: there is no end to sin, but there IS an end to the alphabet!

Rabbi David Kahane described Orthodox Judaism as the faith which incorporates the maximum amount of observance into everyday life and, while open to discussion of change, will usually bow to the "timeless wisdom of the *Torah*". Orthodox Judaism, he said, has been studying the methodology of the modern world and hopes to combine this with its devotion to tradition to strengthen its position among modern religions.

Which brings us to now and the series of talks on Conservative Judaism. Rabbi Noveck explained that this shading of our faith came into being to counteract the Reform Movement which seemed to be tossing tradition completely overboard. He defined the main tenets of the Conservatives as follows:

1. Change is all right ONLY if it enhances the traditional.
2. Intellectual integrity must not be assailed; all things may be discussed and questioned.
3. There must be a maximal approach to the Jewish life via multiple channels: art, music, drama, literature, etc.

May the Conservative Jew mow his lawn on *Shabbos* with an electric mower? "No," said Rabbi Arthur H. Neulander in his talk on changes in Jewish law. But he may light a lamp to read by or play his phonograph to enrich the day. Electricity is not fire; there are no flames or ashes. Rabbi Neulander summed up the attitude of Conservative Jews on the manipulation of laws: "We are reverent but critical. We realize that the laws are divinely-inspired riches but that they have reached us through human agencies. We evaluate them. We want to conserve what's worth conserving. We want to utilize the laws which a Jew today can find worthwhile. Our standards of truth may be different from those of our ancestors. Our aim is to promote Jewish life, to help provide religious experiences which have real meaning today."

Of course, I'm slighting the other courses, but others can tell you about them.

Some Comments on Parents Ass'n Sabbath

An instructive and stimulating evening was afforded by the Parents Association of the Park Avenue Synagogue at its Friday night Service, February 10. Judge Hubert T. Delany, guest speaker, drew on his experience as a past judge in the Domestic Relations Court and as an active community leader in presenting his views on "What is Happening to our Children?"

He focused attention on the responsibility of adult society to set an example for youth, of courage, morality and integrity. He stated that the major factor in the present high incident of juvenile delinquency is the failure of adult society to set such an example in such areas as the bigoted and violent resistance to desegregation; the intimidation of personal loyalty and courage in the face of hysterical loyalty programs; and the tension of international relations and the atom bomb.

The stimulating nature of this thesis was evident in the many and varied questions raised by the audience after the Services. If some of the questions might be considered controversial, there is one aspect of the evening about which there can be no dispute;—that is the more glamorous appearance of the Pulpit with our charming ladies gracing it.

Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer, our winsome Program Chairman, was ably assisted by Mrs. Herman Helpern, head of the Parents Association and several members of the Parents group who participated in the reading of the prayers. They were: Mrs. Leon Klein, Mrs. Michael Stowe, Mrs. Hector Ritey and Mrs. Adolph Stangel.

Young Marrieds

By MRS. MAXINE MAMELOK

On Tuesday evening, March 13, the "Young Marrieds" will have their next meeting. At this time, they will depart from their usual program schedule and substitute a discussion of Ed Murrow's "See It Now" in Israel. The television broadcast will be viewed at 8:30 P.M. and immediately following, the group will critically examine its contents. To add to the variety of the evening, a surprise collation will be offered.

Included on the future agenda, is the traditional Friday evening religious service which will be conducted by the "Young Marrieds" on April 6. More details will be published in the next issue of the BULLETIN. All members of the Synagogue are cordially invited.

Schedule of Coming Synagogue Events

March 9, 8:30 P.M. — Friday Evening Service

March 10, 9:30 A.M. — Sabbath Morning Service

March 12 — Monday Night Adult Education Courses

8:15 P.M. Intermediate Hebrew (Room 402)

8:30 P.M. Professor Albert Salomon will lecture on "Prayers of Repentance" (Room 300)

March 13, 8:30 P.M. — Young Marrieds meeting

March 16, 8:30 P.M. — Friday Evening Service

Yahrzeit of Milton Steinberg, Sixth Anniversary

March 17, 9:30 A.M. — Sabbath Morning Service

March 19 — Monday Night Adult Education Courses

8:15 P.M. Intermediate Hebrew (Room 402)

8:30 P.M. Professor Albert Salomon will lecture on "Prayers of Redemption" (Room 300)

Congratulations

Mrs. Sylvia Disick—Marriage of daughter Shelley Ronda to Stuart Vort

U. S. Students May Study At Hebrew University

A plan has been devised by the American Friends of The Hebrew University to enable American students to spend a year in study at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

This plan, while allowing students to continue with their regular studies, will introduce them to the fundamentals of Jewish thought, history and literature, and to modern Israel in its Middle East setting, and will enable them to gain an extensive knowledge of the Hebrew language.

A considerable number of leading American colleges and universities have expressed interest in this plan and have indicated a willingness to cooperate by giving sympathetic consideration to requests by students to spend a year with credit at the Hebrew University.

Further inquiries should be addressed to the American Friends of the Hebrew University, 9 East 89th Street, New York 28.

Condolences

Prof. Albert Salomon—loss of wife Anna

Miss Dorothy Schonfeld, Mrs. Helene Shapiro—Loss of mother Henrietta Schonfeld

RESERVE MAY 11

Our members are urged to reserve Friday evening, May 11 for the Twelfth Annual Service of New Liturgical Music by Contemporary Composers.

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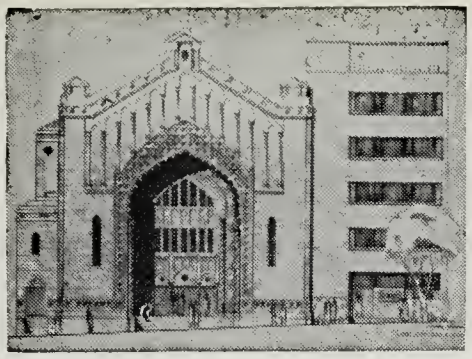

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Dr. Oscar I. Janowsky to Speak at Friday Evening Services March 23

On Friday evening, March 23, the Committee on Adult Education has invited Dr. Oscar I. Janowsky, eminent historian and educator, to address the Congregation from the Pulpit. We shall have the privilege of hearing Dr. Janowsky talk on the topic JEWISH EDUCATION: A SURVEYOR'S ESTIMATE, a subject which he is highly qualified to discuss. Dr. Janowsky was Director of the nationwide survey of the National Jewish Welfare Board on Jewish education. He is at present Chairman of the Commission for the study of Jewish education in the United States.

DR. OSCAR I. JANOWSKY

Professor Janowsky was educated in New York City schools, at the College of the City of New York and at Columbia University. As Professor of History at the College of the City of New York, he has taught for many years Modern History, International Relations and Imperialism, and he is equally at home in traditional Jewish lore and in current Jewish History. He is also Director of Graduate Studies at City College. He has traveled and observed conditions in Western, Central and Eastern Europe, in the Balkans and in Palestine.

Professor Janowsky is author of "The Jews and Minority Rights," "Nationalities and National Minorities," "The JWB Survey,"; co-author of "International Aspects of German Racial Policies"; and editor of "The American Jew: A Composite Portrait," among other works. He has contributed to various journals and periodicals.

Following the Services the Congregation is invited to participate in an informal question and answer period and to attend an Oneg Shabbat which will be held in the Auditorium.

Schedule of Passover and Sabbath Services

Friday Evening, March 23rd.....8:30 P.M.
Dr. Oscar I. Janowsky will speak

Saturday Morning, March 24th.....9:30 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will speak

FIRST DAYS OF PASSOVER
First Evening, Monday, March 26th.....6:00 P.M.
First Morning, Tuesday, March 27th.....9:30 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach

Second evening, Tuesday, March 27th.....6:00 P.M.
Second Morning, Wednesday, March 28th.....9:30 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach

Friday Evening, March 30th.....early service 6:00 P.M.
Saturday Morning, March 31st.....9:30 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach

Seventh Evening, Sunday, April 1st.....6:00 P.M.
Seventh Morning, Monday, April 2nd.....9:30 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach

Eighth Evening, Monday, April 2nd.....6:00 P.M.
Eighth Morning, Tuesday, April 3rd.....9:30 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach
Memorial Services will be held

MUSICAL SERVICES WILL BE CONDUCTED BY HAZZAN PUTTERMAN ASSISTED BY THE SYNAGOGUE CHOIR AND ORGAN

If you wish any of Your Family Memorialized
Please return the Enclosed Card to the Synagogue Office

Friday Evening, April 6th.....8:30 P.M.
Young Marrieds Sabbath

Saturday Morning, April 7th.....9:30 A.M.

Yizkor-Memorial Services Tuesday Morning, April 3

On the eighth day of Passover which this year occurs on Tuesday morning, April 3, the regular Religious Holiday Service in the Synagogue will include Yizkor-Memorial prayers. As is our custom, Memorial Cards which are returned to us by our members with the names of the persons to be memorialized inscribed thereon, will again this year be deposited in the Ark during the Yizkor Services. Blank cards are enclosed with this issue of the Bulletin.

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Passover Greetings

On the occasion of this Passover, celebrated by Jews all over the world, I greet you and wish you joy and happiness.

In the Seder service, the most beautiful service that any religion can offer its adherents, the Jew reads in the Haggadah:

"Each Jew must feel as though he were one of the Jewish people enslaved by Pharoah"

How many of us stop to think, what a miracle was performed when the wandering Jew, who was a slave to Pharoah for 400 years, was finally liberated and became a great nation.

I recall when the State of Israel was proclaimed by the Jewish people in Palestine, that Milton Steinberg of blessed memory, David J. Putterman and myself were standing on the Pulpit of the Park Avenue Synagogue and we three joined hands, danced and then kissed each other for joy. Milton then said, the fact that the State of Israel became a reality was a greater miracle than the Exodus from Egypt, because the latter became a possibility under the leadership of God himself, and the State of Israel was the work of the Jewish people.

My fellow congregants, we are all one large family consisting of upwards of 1500 persons, united by ties of religion, fellowship and goodwill, and it behooves each of us to love our fellow members, to forgive and forget, and above all to remember that to forgive is divine and to forget human.

Moses who led the people out of Egyptian bondage was a man of great humility and today he is lovingly referred to as Moshe Rabennu, Moses, our teacher. Personally, he never sought for any honors and the Bible says of him "This man Moses was the most humble of all men in Israel". I came across this passage somewhere:

"If any man seeks for greatness, let him forget greatness and ask for truth, and he will find both".

I greet you on this wonderful Passover season and call your attention to this passage in our Saturday Prayer Book:

"May nothing that we do, mar the holiness of life by causing any fellow creature to lose the joy of living"

May each and everyone of you enjoy with your families a very Happy Passover and a redeemer shall come to Zion saith the Lord.

Affectionately

JACOB KLEIN
President

Young Marrieds Sabbath Service

By MRS. MAXINE S. MAMELOK

On April 6, the Friday Evening Service will be conducted by the "Young Marrieds".

Departing from the usual procedure of presenting a guest speaker, the group instead, will take charge of the entire Service with members reading and chanting in Hebrew and English. Sidney J. Silberman our own "Hazzan" will prepare the group for this type of evening which has become a tradition in the Synagogue. Actually, the "Young Marrieds" are the only group which takes over the entire service.

After the Service, a soul-searching discussion "Judaism, Is It Liberal?", has been planned in which revealing and provocative statements will be discussed by speakers of the group. Sam Freedman has courageously volunteered to serve as our moderator, an arduous task indeed, for a topic as explosive as this.

Naturally, the entire membership of the Synagogue is invited to participate in what promises to be a most rewarding evening.

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL PASSOVER RECESS

The spring recess of the Religious School will take place during the Passover Week and through the Public School vacation. School will be closed on Monday, March 26 and re-open on Monday April 9.

Miss Pearl Groothuis To Appear March 20 At Sisterhood Meeting

By MRS. DAVID ALTSCHUL

Sisterhood has a rare treat in store for all members and their friends on Tuesday, March 20 at 12:30 P.M. Miss Pearl Groothius, mezzo-soprano, will present a one-woman dramatization of Rodgers and Hammerstein's "Carousel," featuring outstanding hit songs. Her accompanist will be Cele Abbey.

Miss Groothuis, born and educated in America, has studied music and dramatics as well as public speaking and language arts. The dramatic presentation of popular Broadway musicals, featuring their hit songs, is the perfect expression for her many talents.

This promises to be a particularly entertaining and worthwhile afternoon. Don't miss it! Come and bring your friends.

Mrs. Sigmund Siegel Honored by UJA

For the third successive year, Mrs. Sigmund Siegel, an active member of the Park Avenue Synagogue and chairman of the Religious School Board, has again been selected to head the Manhattan Organizations Division of the Women's group of UJA. She also serves as co-chairman of the city-wide Women's Division.

The great need for emergency fund raising functions throughout the country was stressed at a recent nationwide conference held in Miami Beach, Florida. Mr. William Rosenwald, special chairman of the national UJA, in referring to the generous outpouring of gifts as "a barometer showing the widespread concern for Israel's survival", stressed the urgency of the 1956 campaign.

The year 1956 presents a challenge to the Jews of America and can only be met effectively through the greatly increased support of the UJA drive. Thousands of Jews in North Africa are waiting to emigrate to Israel. The success of the UJA campaign will determine whether they will have the opportunity to go.

Mrs. Benjamin Sack and Mrs. Abel Phillips, co-chairmen of the Sisterhood Women's group of the Park Avenue Synagogue urge all members of the Congregation to be listed as contributors.

Youth Activities

By HY SANKEL

United Jewish Appeal Dance

Our Teen Age Group is sponsoring its Second Annual United Jewish Appeal Dance on Saturday evening, March 24. All proceeds are going to this very worthy organization. Last year's dance netted $100. It is our hope that this sum will be exceeded this year. Chairman of the dance are John Stangel, Joan Rubinstein, Lorraine Buchbinder, Gerry Klein, Linda Wolfman, Linda Fradkin, Stephan Helpern and Elli Frischling.

Youth Seder

A Youth Seder is becoming a tradition at our Synagogue. On Saturday, March 31, the youth groups are conducting a Third Seder. A special Haggadah has been prepared and illustrated with their cooperation. A simple service including all the essential elements of the seder is planned. The Four Questions proposed are problems facing Jewish Youth today. They are:

1. What is Our responsibility to Israel in these times of stress?
2. How Can We Integrate Our Laws as Americans and Jews?
3. What is Our Role in Jewish Life?
4. How Can We Aid in the Solution of the Problems Facing Us Today?

Discussion and singing will follow.

Community Service

On Friday morning, March 30 our Teen Agers are visiting Welfare Island to aid in the Passover program for aged Jewish people in the island hospitals. They will assist at the services and with the refreshments. Our thanks to Mrs. Druss and Mrs. Stowe of the Council for Jewish Women who assisted us in formulating the project. Chairman of this event are: Susan Druss and Teddy Zucker and the boys and girls who are participating are: Judy Strauss, Harry Pincus, Joan Rubinstein, Geraldine Klein, Joel Siegel, Richard Fread, Lida Wolfman, Stephen Stowe, Bob Glauber, Betty Goldin, Wendie Weckstein, Barbara Newman and Linda Fandlins.

Art Exhibit

There are some proud seven and eight year olds in our synagogue who at that tender age have already done what many adults strive for years to accomplish—exhibit their art work at a Museum. The work of Art Club members may be currently viewed at the Jewish Museum, 92nd St. and Fifth Ave. where it is exhibited. It is part of the Thirteenth Annual Art Exhibition. Mrs. Sylvia Cohen is the instructor. Meetings are held every Wednesday afternoon.

March is indeed a busy month for the youth of our Synagogue.

Congressmen Coudert and Davidson To Discuss Middle East Crisis at Men's Club—Thursday, March 22

In keeping with the policy of presenting a forum for important events of the day, the Men's Club is sponsoring a program devoted to "U.S. Diplomacy in the *Explosive* Middle East." Two members of the U.S. House of Representatives have been invited to present their own personal views on this timely topic.

They are the Hon. Frederic R. Coudert, Jr., who represents the 17th Congressional District in which our Synagogue is located; and the Hon. Irwin D. Davidson, who represents the 20th Congressional District on the west side of Central Park, where many more of our members live.

CONG. FREDERIC R. COUDERT

Ladies Invited

This meeting takes place in the Lemberg Auditorium on Thursday evening, March 22 at 8:30 P.M. (Note it is not on a Tuesday, the regular meeting night.) Because of the importance of the subject, all ladies are invited to attend as well as the men.

Frederic R. Coudert, Jr. was born in New York City and is a graduate of Columbia University. A Republican, his first elective position was as a N. Y. State Senator from 1939 to 1946. While in that office he became noted primarily for his Chairmanship of the Rapp-Coudert Joint Legislative Sub-Committee to Investigate Public Education in the City of New York (1940-44); and as the father of the Public Housing and Slum Clearance Law.

In 1946, Coudert was elected to the U. S. Congress and has been serving there since. His record shows he has voted for such progressive legislation as FEPC, anti-lynching and anti-poll tax laws.

Irwin D. Davidson, also a native New Yorker, graduated from New York University. He served in the N. Y. State Legislature for 12 years, starting in 1936. During this period he was the Acting Democratic Leader of the House. In 1948 he became a Justice of the Court of Special Sessions in New York City, resigning voluntarily in 1954 to run for the U. S. Congress.

Since his election he has been a member of the House Committees on the Judiciary, and Merchant Marine and Fisheries.

All members of the congregation are urged to attend this Men's Club meeting to hear our own Representatives, Republican and Democrat, discuss this important topic. Remember, the date is Thursday, March 22, and don't forget the ladies are welcome too!

CONG. IRWIN D. DAVIDSON

Parents Group Prepares Passover Demonstration

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

On Monday, March 19, the Parents Association of the Park Avenue Synagogue sponsored a dessert luncheon in the Lemberg Auditorium for the mothers of children of the Religious School. This get-together featured as its theme "Your Passover Holiday at Home", and aimed to assist mothers in carrying out the traditional observance of Passover in their homes.

Under the capable supervision of Mrs. Stanley Simon and Mrs. Adolph Stangel, there was a display of an attractive seder table set with the customary symbols of Passover.

Cantor David Putterman discussed the traditions, customs and ceremonies of the holiday. He also spoke on music which plays such an important part in conveying the spirit of this Festival in the home.

Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer and Mrs. Joseph Rubinstein were in charge of the details. Mrs. Bruno Foa was responsible for hospitality.

Advisory Council Vacancies Filled by Board of Trustees

At the meeting the Board of Trustees held, Sunday, March 11, the Board elected the following to fill existing vacancies in the Advisory Council: Z. Harry Altmark, Joseph Mandelbaum, Milton M. Sivek, and Asa Sokolow.

The Board also approved a unanimous report submitted by Gen. Melvin L. Krulewitch, chairman, on behalf of a special committee recently appointed by Ezra Cohen, chairman of the Board, to consider the future policy with regard to membership on such Advisory Council. The report reaffirmed the policy that membership on such Council should be regarded as an opportunity to those, who may desire to become available to fill vacancies on the Board of Trustees, to inform themselves as to the administration of Synagogue affairs.

Another recommendation adopted by the Board limited membership to the Advisory Council to not more than 25, with representatives of the Men's Club, Parents Association and Young Marrieds to be invited to serve during their term of office.

Combined Meeting With SAJ

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

The joint meeting with the Parents Association of SAJ, held Tuesday, March 14, at the SAJ building was a great success.

Dr. Abraham Millgram, Director of the United Synagogue of America, spoke brilliantly on the need of Jewish education to prepare our children for life. He pointed out that the more thorough religious education a child receives, the more prepared he will be to meet the problems of life in the outside world.

After the meeting, which was well attended by representatives from both groups, those present enjoyed a social evening with friends, old and new. We hope to have the opportunity to welcome our genial hosts at the Park Avenue Synagogue at some future time.

Religious School News

By MARTIN LEICHTLING

Passover Services

The Junior Congregation will hold holiday services in the Appleman Chapel on the First Days of Passover and the second Days of Passover. Irving Spielman, who conducted the High Holy Day Services at the Jewish Museum, will supervise the services at 10 A.M. on the mornings of March 27 and 28 and on April 2 and 3, Tuesday and Wednesday, respectively.

All students are urged to participate in the worship and to enjoy the holiday refreshments that will be served after each of the services.

Model Seder—Sunday Morning, March 25

This year the students of the Religious School, under the guidance of Rabbi Noveck, will hold four Model Sedorim on Sunday morning, March 25.

The Primary Department students will conduct a special Seder in the Lemberg Auditorium while each grade in the Hebrew Department has its own Seder in the Milton Steinberg House. The development of the four Sedorim will make room for wide audience participation in a Seder geared to the age-level and to the educational achievements of the students. Parents of the students are invited to attend the Seder and join with the children in the service.

Mrs. Sam Deutsch, Mrs. Joseph Rubinstein and the committee of Class Mothers have arranged for the preparation and the serving of the food at each seder.

Dr. and Mrs. Alex E. Kaplan Honored by Israeli League

The Federation for Anti-Tuberculosis League of Israel tendered a dinner in honor of Dr. and Mrs. Alex E. Kaplan, members of the Park Avenue Synagogue, on March 17 at the Hotel Pierre in recognition of 50 years of service as a doctor and humanitarian and in tribute to their work for many years on behalf of the League.

Congratulations

March 23 — Mrs. Tillie Heller—91st Birthday

March 24 — Mr. and Mrs. Edward Peiper—30th Wedding Anniversary

March 26 — Mrs. Emma Luebeck—93rd Birthday

Mrs. and Mrs. Benjamin Honig—Engagement of son Lewis to Della Reinkraut

Condolences

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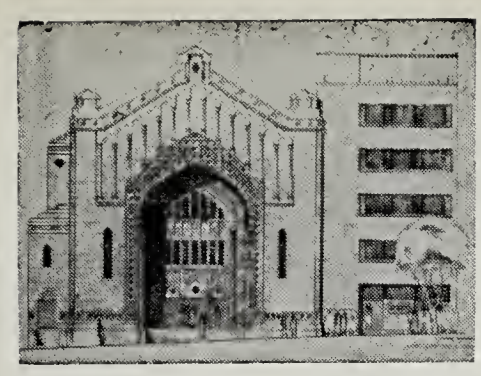

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BULLETIN

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Sisterhood Annual Birthday Luncheon, April 17

By Mrs. David Altschul

Sisterhood's annual birthday party will be held on Tuesday, April 17 at 12:00 Noon in the Sisterhood Lounge. This will be a very gala occasion with special entertainment and attractive, original decorations. Don't miss it!

Star of the entertainment will be Miss Pearl Groothuis, who was held over from last month's meeting. Miss Groothuis, a mezzo-soprano, will present a one-woman show, a musical dramatization of Rodgers and Hammerstein's "Carousel." She will be accompanied by Cele Abbey. This most unusual presentation will feature outstanding hit songs from the show. Miss Groothuis, born and educated in America, has studied music and dramatics as well as public speaking and language arts. The dramatic presentation of popular Broadway musicals, featuring their hot songs, is the perfect expression for her many talents.

Those who have been privileged to hear Miss Groothuis perform say it is a rare treat, not to be missed.

Don't forget the date! Tuesday, April 17. Come and bring your friends. Help Sisterhood celebrate its birthday.

Lionel Gelber, Guest Speaker At "Israel Independence Day" Sabbath

On Friday evening, April 13, at 8:30 P.M., a special service, commemorating the Eighth Anniversary of Israel's Independence, will be held at the Synagogue, under the auspices of the Committee on Adult Education. Mr. Lionel Gelber will speak on "ISRAEL AT THE UNITED NATIONS."

Mr. Gelber served as political advisor to the Jewish Agency at the United Nations during the dramatic years of 1946-48, when negotiations were being conducted which led to the establishment of the State of Israel. Mr. Gelber, formerly a Rhodes Scholar, is a writer on international affairs. His two most recent books are *Reprieve From War* (1950) and *American Anarchy* (1953).

Men's Club to Hold Monthly Meeting, Apr. 24

The April monthly meeting of Men's Club will be held on Tuesday evening April 24. As always, an unusual program is being planned for that evening. Therefore, please reserve the date.

On Wednesday, April 18, the annual meeting of the Metropolitan Region of the National Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs takes place at the Jewish Theological Seminary, Broadway and 122 Street. At that time a special award will be presented to Milton M. Sivek, President of our Men's Club and Assistant Treasurer of the Synagogue. All members of the Men's Club are urged to attend this meeting which will be called for 5:30 P.M. Following the meeting, there will be a dinner for which there will be no charge.

Paintings Donated To Synagogue

During the past several months, the Park Avenue Synagogue has been fortunate in receiving four artistic contributions in the form of excellent paintings. The donors were Mr. I. M. Cohen, Mrs. Sol Green, Dr. Luise-Lotte Horn.

The paintings are being temporarily hung in the Sisterhood Lounge and in the office of the Rabbi.

Seven Months and Seventeen Days To November 28

Mark your calendars now, so that when Wednesday, November 28 rolls around, that day will have been cleared by you months ahead of time.

On November 28, the Annual Sisterhood Luncheon will be bigger and better—we are assured—than it ever has been.

But the first step, now, is to set aside Wednesday, November 28, 1956, for the Annual Sisterhood Luncheon.

Schedule of Services

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from the desk of the Treasurer

Many a letter concerning synagogue fiscal affairs crosses our desk daily, but the following expresses such a warmth and depth of feeling that we could not help but share it with all of you:

"Enclosed please find a small token of my appreciation towards the synagogue. Although money wise it is very small, my feelings towards the synagogue and the people connected with it, is very great.

"I hope that some day, in the not too distant future, my contributions will rise up to my emotional feelings for the Park Avenue Synagogue.

"Thank you for making my Passover a little bit more joyous and meaningful."

It was sent by a young man, not a member of the synagogue, but who attends our services quite regularly.

Rabbi Noveck, Speaker At Southern Convention

On Sunday evening, April 8, Rabbi Simon Noveck was the keynote speaker at the opening banquet of the South Eastern Region of the United Synagogue of America held in Jacksonville, Fla. This gathering brought together delegates from 29 Conservative Congregations in the states of Miami, Georgia, Alabama and Tennessee. In addition Rabbi Noveck met with the leaders of these Congregations in a special seminar to discuss their congregational problems with them.

UJA Tea in Memory of Amy Putterman

The Sisterhood of the Park Avenue Synagogue will sponsor a Tea on behalf of the United Jewish Appeal on Wednesday, April 25 at 1:30 P.M. at the home of Mrs. Abraham N. Geller, 47 East 88 Street, in memory of our own beloved Amy Putterman.

Not often has it been possible to reflect honor on the Sisterhood by reason of a particular activity. The Sisterhood has selected the unforgettable Amy Putterman to inspire them on this occasion. Most of us know her genuinely sincere constructive work for all causes identified with the establishment of the State of Israel; the struggle in the early days for its continuance, and the human problems of its people.

We cannot forget the days of Haganah when Amy brought home to thousands the critical need for the support of that incomparable organzation that helped so mightily to achieve its first objective. With Haganah's work completed, Amy was destined to move logically to another vital area and became one of the founders and later an officer of MATERIALS for ISRAEL which was responsible in assembling millions of dollars of critical products which at that time helped the Survival of Israel.

The United Jewish Appeal was not a catch phrase for Amy. She labored for a united effort on the part of all segments of the Jewish Appeal.

Were Amy to address you now, she would be better able than we to explain the meaning of the 1956 Survival Fund. Her rewards were heartaches during the critical days of the creation of the State. How well we can now understand when we recognize our collective duty to insure Israel's Survival.

Events are moving fast in world politics which have created the incredible state of apprehension existing in Israel today. Our assistance NOW means survival for Israel and LIFE SAVING for the remaining Jews outside Israel who are knocking at the doors for what may be the last time. WE CANNOT FORESAKE THEM.

Mrs. Benjamin Sack, Chairman of the Women's Division of the Park Avenue Synagogue and a devoted friend of Amy, in welcoming the participation of all the members of the Synagogue said:

"My Committee is unanimous in expressing the feeling that in planning this tribute in memory of Amy Putterman, we are continuing faithfully in an effort to achieve survival for Israel to which it can correctly be said had Amy been spared to us, she would have been in the forefront of our effort."

Dr. Mordecai M. Kaplan To be Honored, April 22

Dr. Mordecai M. Kaplan will be honored at a dinner to be held Sunday evening, April 22, at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel. The dinner is being tendered to Dr. Kaplan on the occasion of his 75th birthday, in recognition of his great contribution to American Jewry.

As the teacher and, later, as co-worker of Milton Steinberg, our revered Rabbi of blessed memory, and as teacher also of Dr. Simon Noveck, Dr. Kaplan occupies a special place in the hearts of the congregants of Park Avenue Synagogue. It was with Dr. Kaplan and other colleagues, that Rabbi Steinberg edited the prayer book in use in our Synagogue. It was with him, that Rabbi Steinberg spent many happy years as an editor of THE RECONSTRUCTIONIST, the journal in which Rabbi Steinberg's theological views were crystallized, and in which he also expressed his feeling for the Jewish people and its cultural creativity. The relationship between these two giants of the Jewish spirit, broken by the untimely passing of Rabbi Steinberg, remains for us to continue.

The Park Avenue Synagogue is happy to join in this well deserved tribute to an outstanding figure in American Judaism, and we look forward to a large reservation of our members at the Waldorf on April 22. Reservations for the dinner are $15.00 per plate and may be secured by calling (TR 7-3595) or writing to the Jewish Reconstructionist Foundation, 15 West 86th Street, New York 24, or contacting our Executive Director, Sidney R. Katz, at the Synagogue office (EN 9-2600).

Religious School News

By MARTIN LEICHTLING

In the spring, a young student's fancy often turns to things other than school. The crack of a bat against a ball; the whirr of the wheels of a bicycle; the scraping of roller skates on the sidewalk are all very attractive. But, a young student must learn that a job begun must be completed to deserve the compliment "well done".

This has been a good year for our students. Despite an arduous winter, absences have been infrequent and educational achievement has been great. Our students have done well in their classroom studies and, particularly well, in their co-curricular activities. The dramatics program, the Hanukkah parties, the Purim Carnival and the Model Sedorim have evoked words of praise from parents and students.

Though temptation to miss a day at school may be great, it is important that all students complete the school year with a minimum of absence and a maximum of effort.

Hebrew High School

The following communication was recently received from Alan Mehlman, a student in our High School:

"This year an innovation has been developed in our Religious School—the formation of a Hebrew High School. Those students, who asked that these classes be organized, felt a strong love and devotion for Judaism and had a great desire to further pursue their Jewish education.

Thus far, three courses are offered in the High School. The first is called the History of Jewish Civilization. The object of this course is to trace Jewish thought from Biblical times up to the present day. A second subject is a course on the Bible which gives the student a more comprehensive analysis of the Bible than he has had previously. These two courses are given by Rabbi Berman. The other classes are Intermediate and Advanced Hebrew with emphasis on conversational Hebrew. This course is given under the very able guidance of Dr. Aaron Giat. All of us feel a great pride in the achievements that were made in these courses. We have found our studies helpful in our secular as well as our religious education.

I think it is important to mention the students who have been responsible for the organization of the High School. They are: Michael Borenstein, Susan Druss, Cecily Falkenstein, Steven Kohn, David Novack, Alan Mehlman, Frana Mills, Eugene Roth, Michael Slote, John Stangel, Stephen Stowe, Ellen Wimpfheimer and Susan Wimpfheimer."

Prof. Albert Salomon To Continue Courses On Jewish Liturgy

Prof. Albert Salomon's series of lectures on the meaning of prayer in the Jewish Liturgy was resumed on April 9, after the Holiday interval, with a discussion on the part that the Psalms play in the Synagogue Service.

The next lecture in this group will be held April 16 at 8:30 o'clock in the evening, at which time Prof. Salomon will discuss the "Santification of the Name". This will include readings from Rosenzweig's "Understanding the Sick and the Healthy," and Heschel's "Man is Not Alone."

The lecture following will take place on Monday evening, April 23 at 8:30 P.M. in which Professor Salomon will continue the above readings in discussing "The Holy Spirit."

The final lecture in this series will be given by Professor Salomon on Monday evening, April 30 in which he will discuss "The Synagogue and Ritual".

Librarian Appointed for Steinberg House Library

Asa D. Sokolow, Chairman of the Library Book Selection Committee, announced that the Committee which he heads has retained a Librarian to undertake the work of classifying our books and getting us into operation.

The Library of the Milton Steinberg House, which is the result of the special contribution of I. M. Cohen and his father, Joseph H. Cohen, is not yet available for use but it is expected to be in full operation after the High Holydays.

The Librarian, Mr. Saul Kuchinsky, is a graduate of Western Reserve Library School and has had extensive experience in the metropolitan area in setting up and organizing similar libraries. For several years, he has been Medical Librarian at the Brooklyn Jewish Hospital.

From the Heart of the Membership Committee Chairman

It is with no small degree of trepidation that I, as Chairman of the Membership Committee, signed my name to a couple of hundred letters asking a large number of our Synagogue families to agree to voluntarily increase their annual dues contribution to Park Avenue Synagogue.

What makes this job a lot easier and about one million percent pleasanter is to receive letters from people to whom I did not write and of whom we did not ask an increase in their annual dues contribution. One of these is from Mrs. S. G., 940 Park Avenue, who "voluntarily offers to raise the family dues 25%" and she also sends best regards along with it. Another unsolicited communication arrived a couple of months ago from Mr. A. L. of 923 Fifth Avenue, who increased his annual dues contribution without anyone even suggesting it from $350 to $500. Any additional communications in the same vein will receive the same grateful acknowledgment.

As to those whom we did invite to adjust their contribution upward, the early responses are encouraging and the Membership Committee is confident that the expanding needs of Park Avenue Synagogue and the increased services with their mounting costs will be readily met by a generous membership.

Sincerely,

HARRY J. SOKOLOW
Chairman

Mrs. Sigmund Siegel Heads New Committee

Mrs. Sigmund Siegel has been named to the Chairmanship of a new Committee on Planning and Policy according to an announcement by Ezra Cohen, Chairman of the Board of Trustees.

The purpose of this Committee is to assist the Board in the over all planning of the events long before they occur and in the general coordination of various Synagogue activities. Others who have been named to this Committee are: Mr. Saul Godwin, Mrs. William Karniol, Mr. Joseph Howard Katz, Mr. Arthur Ochs, Mr. Nelson Ruttenberg, Mrs. Benjamin Sack, Mr. Archie Thurman, Gen. Melvin L. Krulewitch, Mr. Milton M. Sivek, Mrs. Herman Helpern, and Mr. Sidney R. Katz, Advisory.

Bar Mitzvah Ceremony Inspires Mother

Mrs. David Fogelson, who son was Bar Mitzvah recently, was so inspired by the ceremony at the Park Avenue Synagogue, that she penned the following poetic message to him:

This I Give To You

No tangible, mercenary, trite gifts
But all the gifts of God to grasp and hold.
The sinking sun, a rainbow's hues,
The touch of beauty, the scent of dawn.
Daddy's laugh, mother's love, sister's hug,
A small child's smile and hug.
The joys we cannot see or grasp or hold
But we can feel and touch and share.

These are yours to have and hold.

The love of life, good health and joy,
The courage of your convictions and belief,
Your honor, be it of great renown.
Friends you have found staunch and true.
The glow of work, success at tasks;
That you study, grow wise all the days of your life,
That you reap the rewards of a great career.
That you defend the rights of your fellow men.

This I pray for you to grasp and hold.

Keep well the faith by which your heritage has grown.
Be like Abraham and Isaac, with courage and belief.
Be like Jacob, a man of Peace.
Like David wear the crown of royalty.
Like Solomon, be wise and understand.
Like Moses, the father of the Prophets,
The Liberator of his people.
Strive toward Justice, Mercy, Freedom and Peace.

These are all yours to achieve and to hold

Go forth my son, with courage, strength and fervor.
Choose well the worthwhile from the mire.
Wear not only the crown of power, position and scholarship
But as your faith teaches, the crown of a Good Name and a Good Life.

Have faith in God, have faith in man, have faith in yourself.
Guard well the love of man and God.
Live by DEEDS NOT WORDS.
I give you all this and all the Gifts of God to aspire to, to cherish and to hold.

You are my lad, my shining STAR. I love you so.

MOTHER

Schedule of Coming Synagogue Events

April 13 8:30 P.M.—Friday Evening Services
Israel Independence Sabbath—Lionel Gelber, *Guest Speaker*
April 14 9:30 P.M.—Sabbath Morning Services
Bar Mitzvah of Lloyd Howard
April 16 8:30 P.M.—Monday Night Adult Education Courses
Professor Albert Salomon will lecture on "Sanctification of the Name"
April 17 12:30 P.M.—Sisterhood Annual Birthday Meeting
April 20 8:30 P.M.—Friday Evening Services
April 21 9:30 A.M.—Sabbath Morning Services
April 22 7:00 P.M.—Dinner to Dr. Mordecai M. Kaplan 75th Birthday—Waldorf-Astoria
April 23 8:30 P.M.—Monday Night Adult Education Courses
Professor Albert Salomon will lecture on "The Holy Spirit"
April 24 8:30 P.M.—Mens' Club Meeting
April 25 1:30 P.M.—U.J.A. tea in memory of Amy Putterman
At home of Mrs. Abraham N. Geller, 47 East 88 St.
8:00 P.M.—Senior League Meeting

Congratulations

Mr. and Mrs. Jules Freedman — Marriage of daughter June to Dr. Raymond E. Benenson.

Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Schoenbaum — Marriage of daughter Suzanne Lee to David Smith.

Dr. Alfred J. Marrow Honored by Mayor Wagner

Dr. Alfred J. Marrow, a member of the Park Avenue Synagogue, has been appointed by Mayor Robert F. Wagner as a member of the City's new Commission on Intergroup Relations.

Dr. Marrow, a well known industrialist and sociologist, has served as Chairman of the American Jewish Congress' Commission on Community Interrelations, which led in the effort to create an effective intergroup agency.

Committee Appointed To Revise Synagogue By-Laws

The Honorable Sanford H. Cohen has been named by Ezra Cohen, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, to head a committee to study and review the By-Laws of Park Avenue Synagogue.

Other members who are serving on the Committee are: Mr. Asa Sokolow, Mr. I. B. Oseas, Mr. Nelson Ruttenberg, Mr. Benjamin Sack, Mr. Saul Godwin, and Mr. Sidney Silberman.

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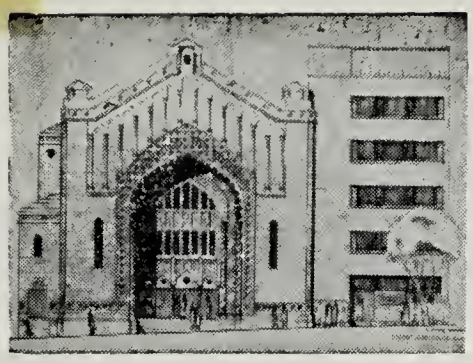

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Twelfth Annual Liturgical Service, Friday, May 11

The Twelfth Annual Liturgical Service of new Liturgical Music by contemporary composers will be presented at the Synagogue at the regular Friday Evening Service. May 11. at 8:30 P.M. It will be the World Premiere Performance of a new sacred service for the Sabbath Eve by the renowned composer. Siegfried Landau.

These annual services have become a part of the tradition of the Park Avenue Synagogue and are recognized as a major musical event in the field of Liturgical Music. These programs were instituted by our own Hazzan David J. Putterman and will be presented by him and the Synagogue choir with George Crook at the organ.

These programs. presented under the auspices of the Committee on Adult Education. are dedicated to the enhancement of Jewish worship and to the wider utilization of the resources of Jewish Music. They also serve as a source of encouragement to those who devote their lives and talents to its enrichment.

Siegfried Landau, the composer, was born in 1921 in Berlin. Germany. and received his formal musical training at the Stern Conservatory and the Klindworth-Scharwenka Conservatory in Berlin. He continued his musical education in London. studying at the Guild Hall School of Music and Drama and at Trinity College.

In 1940, he came to New York and three years later was appointed a member of the faculty of the New York College of Music in charge of the Orchestral and Operatic Departments. In 1954 he was appointed conductor of the newly formed Brooklyn Philharmonic Orchestra which has received unanimous acclaim by music critics and public alike. Mr. Landau is the conductor and musical director of the Kinor Symphonietta and the Y.M.H.A. chorus and has been a frequent guest conductor with the Carnegie Pops: the Central Park "On the Mall": Brooklyn Museum Concerts; Hunter College Series: "Opera in English" project of the American Guild of Musical Artists: radio, T.V.. opera. symphony and oratorio performances. He is a member of the faculty of the Cantors Institute of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America.

This Friday Evening Service was written during the summer of 1955 and

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Composer

SIEGFRIED LANDAU

SIX MONTHS AND TWENTY-SIX DAYS TO NOVEMBER 28

Remember the Day — Wednesday, November 28 — Annual Sisterhood Luncheon—Mark your calendar now.

Schedule of Services

Friday Evening, May 4th ..... 8:30 P.M.
Rabbi Noveck will speak on
SIGMUND FREUD AND JUDAISM

Saturday Morning, May 5th ..... 9:30 A.M.
Rabbi Noveck will preach

Friday Evening, May 11th ..... 8:30 P.M.
Twelfth Annual Service
New Liturgical Music by Contemporary Composers
Siegfried Landau, Composer

Saturday Morning, May 12th ..... 9:30 A.M.
Religious School Service

SHAVUOTH SERVICES

First Evening, Tuesday, May 15th ..... 6:00 P.M.
First Morning, Wednesday, May 16th ..... 9:30 A.M.
CONFIRMATION EXERCISES

Second Evening, Wednesday, May 16th ..... 6:00 P.M.
Second Morning, Thursday, May 17th ..... 9:30 A.M.
YIZKOR (MEMORIAL) SERVICES
Rabbi Noveck will preach

Friday Evening, May 18th ..... 8:30 P.M.
Rabbi Noveck will speak on
THE SUMMING UP — A Farewell Sermon

Saturday Morning, May 19th ..... 9:30 A.M.

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Rabbi Noveck To Leave Synagogue, May 21

The following announcement has been received from the Rabbi's office for publication in the BULLETIN:

"Dr. Simon Noveck has announced his resignation as Rabbi of the Park Avenue Synagogue, effective May 21, 1956. On Friday evening, May 18, Rabbi Noveck will deliver his farewell sermon to the members of the Synagogue. The title of his address will be 'The Summing Up.' "

Rabbi Noveck Speaks At Convention

On Wednesday, April 25, Rabbi Noveck participated in a Seminar on Preaching at the Annual Convention of the Rabbinical Assembly of America, held at Grossinger's Hotel in Ferndale, N. Y. He read a paper on "The Use of Literature in the Modern Sermon."

On Tuesday, May 8, the Rabbi will speak at Temple Emanuel in Englewood, N. J. on the theme JUDAISM AND PSYCHIATRY: ARE THEY COMPATIBLE?

On Sunday, May 20, Rabbi Noveck will be the keynote speaker at the annual Convention of the New England Region of the United Synagogue, to be held in Hartford, Conn. The theme will be THE CHARACTER OF THE MODERN JEW.

Men's Club Meeting, May 10, Special Award To Berkson

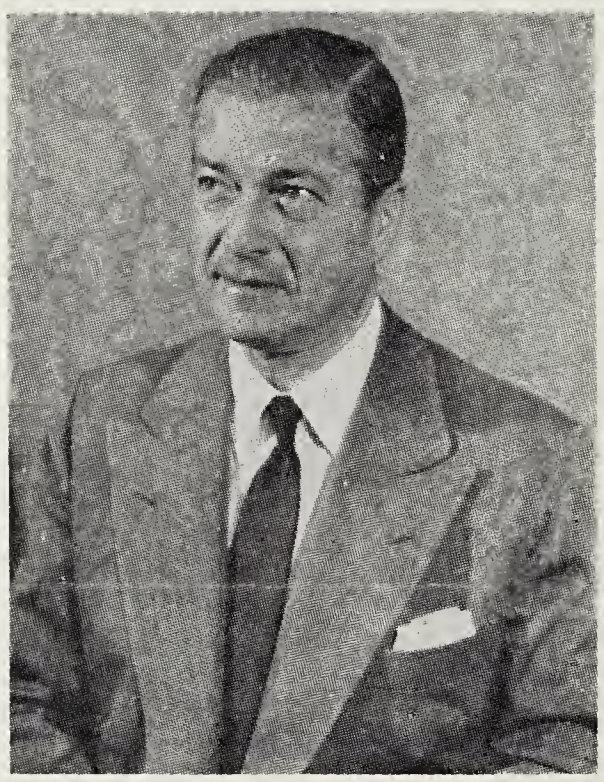
By LOUIS I. HELLER

The time is drawing near for the Annual Meeting and Dinner of Men's Club, as it is taking place on Thursday, May 10, in the Lemberg Audtorium.

The Committee on Arrangements, composed of Milton J. Selig, Chairman, Jacob W. Boorstein, and Dr. Sol L. Winnick report that the cost will be only $4.00 per man. This price covers everything—cocktails and hot hors d'oeuvres at 6 p.m., followed by a kosher dinner, with tips and entertainment included.

Jacob Klein, President of the Synagogue, will lead the blessings at the beginning of the dinner, and the Grace after the meal will be conducted by Cantor David J. Putterman. The program for the evening will be the Election and Installation of the officers for the coming year and the new members of the Board of Directors.

"Official Citation"



SEYMOUR BERKSON

In addition, a special citation will be presented to Seymour Berkson, Publisher of the New York Journal-American. This award is the result of a spontaneous feeling of appreciaton by all the members of the Club for Mr. Berkson's contributions to two outstanding meetings during the past season.

Past President Joseph Howard Katz will install the newly elected men. The slate of nominations is as follows:

President, Milton M. Sivek; First Vice President, Dr. Harry Neivert; Second Vice President, Harry A. Dubin; Recording Secretary, Jacob W. Boorstein; Corresponding Secretary, Louis I. Heller.

Directors for a 3 year term, expiring 1959: David Altschul, Theodore Meistrich, Milton J. Selig, Dr. Sol L. Winnick.

Director for a 1 year term, expiring 1957: Harvey Glasser.

All members of the Men's Club, who have not yet made their reservations for this Annual Dinner, are reminded to mail their $4.00 checks to Jacob W. Boorstein, 63-61 99th St., Rego Park 74, N. Y., at once.

If it will be impossible for you to make the dinner, plan to attend the meeting which will start at about 8:15 P.M.

Officers of Sisterhood To Be Installed At Final Meeting, May 22

By MRS. DAVID ALTSCHUL

The final meeting of Sisterhood for the current season will be held on Tuesday, May 22. In addition to the installation of officers, a most unusual and stimulating program has been planned.

This will take the form of a Town Meeting, with Mrs. William Karmiol, President of Sisterhood, acting as the moderator. Participating in the panel discussion will be Mrs. Milton Heller, who will speak on the history and aims of Sisterhood; Mrs. Harry J. Sokolow, who will discuss our relationship to Synagogue and Judaism; Mrs. Abraham N. Geller, who will appraise our responsibilities to the community and Jewish Philanthropies; and Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer, who will give us a comparative study of other Sisterhoods in relation to our own. The new program chairman, Mrs. Saul Granetts, will discuss programming for next season.

Following the panel discussion there will be a Buzz Session and a general question period. From this meeting, a new dynamic approach to Sisterhood should take form, giving each member some part to fit her needs. We will furnish you with all the pieces. The next move will be up to you-

Don't miss this powerful and stimulating meeting!

Dr. Noveck To Speak On "Freud and Judaism," Friday, May 4th

On Friday evening, May 4, Rabbi Simon Noveck will speak on the theme SIGMUND FREUD AND JUDAISM in commemoration of the 100th Birthday of the founder of psychoanalysis. In this lecture, Dr. Noveck will deal with Freud's attitude toward religion as he presented it in "The Future of an Illusion" and in his other works, and analyze his views on Jewish culture and his relationship to the Jewish people both in Vienna and in London. The Rabbi will also discuss some of Freud's personal character traits which have been described as Jewish, and indicate their relationship to his psychoanalytical theories.

This lecture will bring to a close the series of Friday night discussion on GREAT SPIRITUAL PERSONALITIES which Rabbi Noveck has been giving throughout the year and which has included Moses, Jeremiah, Maimonides, Spinoza and Mordecai Kaplan.

Howard A. Kieval Honored By City College Alumni

Howard A. Kieval, a member of the Advisory Council of the Park Avenue Synagogue, and whose affiliation with our synagogue dates back to his Bar Mitzvah, was honored at a testimonial dinner given by the Board of Directors of the City College Alumni Association on April 14, at the John H. Finley Student Center of the College.

More than 125 people attended to honor Mr. Kieval on the occasion of his retirement as Executive Secretary of the Alumni Association, a post he held for the past 8 years. Prior to his association with the Alumni Association, Mr. Kieval served as Director of the Student Houses at City College over a period of 6 years. Mr. Kieval and his wife, also active in synagogue affairs, plan to devote their full time to the operation and direction of Camp KODA for boys, which they own and operate at Bridgton, Maine.

Among the speakers at the dinner were President Buell G. Gallagher of City College, Dean Morton Gotshall, Professor Emanuel Saxe. Also present were many old friends and associates of Mr. Kieval, including Mr. Abraham D. Beame, Budget Director of the City of New York, Surrogate George Frankenthaler, Dr. Joseph J. Klein, former member of the Board of Higher Education, Mr. Stanley Lowell, Assistant to the Mayor, Hazzan David J. Putterman, Rabbi Morris Kertzer, Mr. Sol Tekulsky, and Mr. Oscar Schachter, Chief of the Legal Department of the United Nations.

Annual Confirmation and Graduation Wednesday, May 16, at Shavuoth Services

The annual Confirmation and Graduation exercises of the Religious School will be held at the *Shavuoth* service on Wednesday morning, May 16. Eight of the students, who have fulfilled the requirements for confirmation or for graduation from the five-year course in the Hebrew Department, will be presented to the congregation for certification.

During the year the students continued their Hebrew language study in the Bible under the guidance of their teacher, Alex Kaplan. This gave the class an opportunity to develop the ability of comprehension of the written material and to discuss some of the basic ideas developed in the Bible. *Torah* was studied as a guide for a joyous, rich and healthy way of life rather than a collection of burdensome laws.

The class also read "The Still Voice", a guide to Jewish ethics and "The Confirmation Reader." These books made possible the analysis of basic Jewish values, the role of prophecy in Jewish thought, the concept of God, the land of Israel and the explanations of suffering in Jewish life with emphasis on the Book of Job.

The confirmands will actively participate in the *shavuoth services*. They will read from the Scripture, present an explanation of their readings and deliver a series of papers on "Basic Concepts in Jewish Life."

Mrs. Sigmund Siegel, chairman of the School Board, wil present the students with certificates of confirmation, diplomas for graduation and bibles and books which are a gift from Sisterhood. In addition, each of the students will share in a gift of books awarded as the Adolph and Rosa Klein Prize, Abraham and Frances Bock Prize and the Milton Steinberg Prize.

Milton Sivek, on behalf of the Men's Club, will present a Youth Leadership Award. This award, a silver medal and certificate, is given to a member of the graduating class for outstanding scholarship, character, service and leadership.

The following students have fulfilled the requirements for graduation from the Hebrew Department: Jay Adam, Phyllis Brody, Leona Giat, David Reichman, Jon Waldman and Elliot Zucker. Certificates of Confirmation will be presented to: Leona Giat, Sara Gore, David Reichman, Joseph Weintraub and Elliot Zucker.

UJA Committee Plans Dinner for June 7 To Honor Dr. Osserman

Nathan B. Kogan has been appointed UJA Chairman for the Park Avenue Synagogue. Together, with Gustave Yuder, Jacob Starr and Max Zahler, his co-chairmen, plans are being made for the annual UJA dinner to be held on June 7 in the Lemberg Auditorium of the Synagogue.

Dr. Harold A. Osserman, former Associate Treasurer, and a member of the Board of Trustees, will be the guest of honor at the dinner, in recognition of his ten years of service as the previous Chairman of the Synagogue UJA Committee.

The Dinner Committee is now in the process of formation with Ezra Cohen, Chairman of the Board and Jacob Klein, our President, serving as Honorary Chairmen. A large attendance is expected as the present state of peril and anxiety in the State of Israel demands not only financial support but our presence on this occasion to give moral courage to those who are giving their lives that Israel may survive.

Further details will be published, but meanwhile reserve the date—JUNE 7—at the Synagogue.

Red Cross Reminder!

Mrs. Edward Munves and her co-chairman, Mrs. Jesse Haas wish to thank those who have sent in their Red Cross contributions to the Park Avenue Synagogue, 50 East 87 Street, New York 28, N. Y. If any of you have failed to do so, please make your checks payable to Red Cross and mail them to the Synagogue.

Play to Highlight Meeting Of Parents Association

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

The final meeting of the Parents Association will be held on Monday evening, May 21, at 8:30 P.M. in the Lemberg Auditorium.

After the annual election of officers and the Executive Board, the Parents Association, on the occasion of its birthday, will present a play by professional actors of the American Theatre Wing Community Players. This new comedy entitled, "Really, Mother", was adapted by Nora Sterling from some of the short stories of Cornelia Otis Skinner.

The story will ring familiar to many a parental ear. The American Theatre Wing offers its sympathy to the "rejected parent" whose hard-won wisdom of experience is of no avail, whose most conscientious efforts to please seem useless and whose state of being appears to be one of helpless dismay. It provokes laughter that transforms helplessness to humor and eventual enlightenment.

After the presentation, there will be a symposium led by a discussion leader. Refreshments and a social hour will complete this birthday celebration which members, their families and guests are invited to attend.

Musical Instruments Wanted for Israeli Youth

If you have any unused musical instruments lying about your house, here is a chance to put them to good use. Israel needs a number of musical instruments in order to bolster the morale of the newly arrived young immigrants in the current wave of the Aliyah.

Theodore R. Racoosin, a member of our Synagogue, and long identified with Israel even before the Balfour Declaration, has asked our congregants, who have no further use for these instruments, to leave them at the Synagogue office, where they will be picked up, boxed, crated and shipped to Israel.

Listed among the wanted items are: Bugles, Helikon in Es., Alt Horns in Es. Trumpett or cornet in Bb, Bariton in Bb. Clarinet in Es., Picolo in B., and Wald Horns in F (Corno). If cases for any of these instruments are available, it would be appreciated if they were also included.

Youth Group Visits Chapel At Welfare Island

A delegation from the Park Avenue Synagogue Youth Group, including Steven Stowe, Joel Siegel, Richard Fread, and Betty Goldin, recently made a visit to the Gilda Roman Chapel at the Goldwater Memorial Hospital on Welfare Island.

The purpose of their visit was to assist patients to attend the Friday Evening Services which were held in the Chapel. Prior to the services, they were personally conducted about the Hospital by Dr. Luise-Lotte Horn, Deputy Medical Superintendent at the Hospital, and an active member of our synagogue.

In expressing her thanks to these youngsters for their noble service, Dr. Horn said:

> "It was heart warming to see the response of the young folks and our patients, when we invited them to participate in the service. I want to congratulate our visitors for their splendid and quick adjustment to a brand new situation, the poise with which they conducted themselves and the anxiousness with which they took to their assignment."

This is typical of the community service which is being rendered by members of our Youth Group.

Adult Education

Professor Albert Salomon's course on "The Meaning of Prayer in the Jewish Liturgy," originally scheduled to end on April 30, will meet on Monday, May 7 and May 14 at 8:30 P.M., in order to make up for the two classes missed during the past month.

Yizkor-Memorial Services Thursday Morning May 17

On the second day of Shavuoth which this year occurs on Thursday morning, May 17, the regular Religious Holiday Service in the Synagogue will include Yizkor-Memorial prayers.

As is our custom, Memorial Cards which are returned to us by our members with the names of the persons to be memorialized inscribed thereon, will again this year be deposited in the Ark during the Yizkor Services. Blank cards are enclosed with this issue of the BULLETIN.

Parents Ass'n Presents Books As Gift to Library

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

The Executive Board of the Parents Association has presented many fine volumes to the library of the Milton Steinberg House. A recent gift was made in memory of the following:

MRS. HARRIET HOWE, founder and first President of the Parents Association, eleven volumes of the Universal Jewish Encyclopedia edited by Isaac Landman:

MRS. RUTH HELPERN, who served as Vice-President of the Parents Association for many years, seven volumes of "The Legend of the Jews" by Louis Guinsberg, translated from the German by the late Henrietta Szold:

DONALD BLAU, son of Dr. Abram Blau and Anna Blau, former President of the Parents Association, two dictionaries, individualy bound, one from English to Hebrew and the other from Hebrew to English compiled by Reuben Grossman, and published by the Dvir Publishing Co., Tel Aviv.

These gifts were made possible through personal contributions of the members of the Executive Board of the Parents Association and will be appropriately inscribed prior to their presentation. Mrs. Edward Gevirtz, Chairman of this project, was in charge of the selection of the books presented.

Liturgical Music

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the composer utilized much source material from our Jewish musical tradition: Cantillation, Oriental and European — Sephardic motives and Ashkenazic Nusach (prayer mode).

Among the many compositions and orchestrations of Siegfried Landau are two musical editorials "Blood, Sweat and Tears" (broadcast from coast to coast) and "Give Them Their Meaning", Music for the Film Documentary "Placing the Displaced," "The Golem" (a ballet), Jerusalem song-cycle, music for the play "Solomon and the Cobbler," a symphonic dance, and "At The Recital", a suite for piano.

Religious School News

By MARTIN LEICHTLING

Registration

Registration of new students for the Primary and Hebrew Departments of the Religious School for the school year beginning in September 1956 may be made in the school office any afternoon during the months of May and June. Parents are urged to register their children immediately because the size of classes will be limited.

Members of the congregation should advise their friends and relatives in the community that children of non-members may be enrolled in the school at this time.

Students, who now attend the Religious School, need not re-enroll for the new school year.

May Service

The Junior Congregation of the Religious Schohol will conduct the Sabbath moring service in the Main Synagogue on Saturday, May 12. The entire service will be led by the boys and girls of the school.

For many years, the members of the congregation who have attended this service have been impressed by its beauty and by the ability of students. It is hoped that all the members of the congregation will join with our students in Sabbath worship on May 12.

The service will be conducted by the members of the Graduating Class and the following students from lower grades in the school: Jonathan Bien, Stephen Dell, Tomi Deutsch, Elisa Kaufman, Jeffrey Mehlman, Eric Shullman, Martha Stein, Renee Stern.

Primary Department Closing

The last session of the Primary Department will be held on Sunday morning, May 27.

End-of-term parties will be held in each of the classes with entertainment provided by the students and refreshments supplied by the school. The students, then, will meet in the Auditorium for a showing of a film and the awarding of certificates of completed study to each of the students.

SEMINARY BRUNCH TO HONOR BRIG. GENERAL KRULEWITCH

Brigadier General Melvin L. Krulewitch, Vice-Chairman of our Board of Trustees, will be the guest of honor at a Brunch to be held in the Milton Steinberg House on behalf of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, on Sunday, May 6 at 10:30 A.M.

For many years, Brig. Gen. Krulewitch has been interested in and concerned with Jewish life and affairs. The

Guest of Honor

BRIG. GEN. KRULEWITCH

highest ranking Jewish officer in the Marine Corps, he has been a forceful leader for Judaism and a civic-minded citizen.

Dr. Simon Greenberg, leading Jewish educator and author, Vice-Chancellor of the Seminary and Vice-President of its Faculties, will address the gathering.

Chairman

TUBIE RESNIK

Dr. Greenberg serves also as Director of the University of Judaism, the Seminary's West Coast branch. Formerly he was spiritual leader of Philadelphia's Har Zion Temple, a founder of the Philadelphia Psychiatric Hospital, and President of the Rabbinical Assembly of America.

Tubie Resnik, Chairman of the Brunch and a leading executive, urges all members of the Congregation to attend this important affair to honor Brig. Gen. Krulewitch, to hear Dr. Greenberg's speech, and to suport the Seminary, the world center of Conservative Judaism. In stresing the importance of the Seminary in Jewish life, Mr. Resnik said:

> "We can share a deep pride in the Seminary's fine Cantors Institute and Teachers-Institute-College of Jewish Studies. Many of us have visited the Seminary library and the Jewish Museum, internationally recognized centers of Jewish learning and art. We listen to The Eternal Light radio series on Sundays; we see the Seminary's TV programs on "Frontiers of Faith." Truly, we can be justifiably proud of our part in helping to maintain these important activities."

Arthur A. Cohen To Conduct Symposium On Freud

Arthur A. Cohen, Director of Meridian Books, will chair a special function in commemoration of Sigmund Freud at the 92nd Street "Y" on Sunday, May 6 at 3:00 P.M. Mr. Cohen who is a son of one of our Trustees, Mr. I. M. Cohen, will moderate the forum. The speakers will include Dr. Abram Kardiner, Mr. Philip Rahv, and Dr. Benjamin Nelson.

Youth Activities

The most recent addition to the Youth Committee has been the formation of a Leaders' Training Fellowship group. The organization seeks to create intelligent Jews, committed to Jewish tradition and the Jewish people. Implicit in these goals is the assumption that a good Jew is also a good human being.

At the elections Len Stern was elected President; Steven Stowe and Susan Gitelson were voted Vice-Presidents. Members of the group are; Tony Enwin, Michael Freedman, David Novack, Ted Pincus, Eugene Roth Jr., and John Stangel.

The handball team of the Park Avenue Synagogue Youth Group defeated their Temple Anche Chesed counterparts by the score of two matches to one.

Playing first singles, captain Leonard B. Stern handily beat Robert Rosen of Anche Chesed in two successive games by the scores of 21-8 and 21-7. The other member of the team, Martin Coopersmith lost in the second singles by scores of 21-12 and 21-8. Combining their efforts in the doubles match our group won in straight games 21-12 and 21-10.

The match was played at Temple Anche Chesed.

Condolences

Mrs. Isaac Liberman—death of sister Mrs. A. Bayer

D. S. Gottesman Family—death of D. S. Gottesman

Mrs. Bessie Greenwald—death of brother Harold Holzman

Mrs. Tubie Resnik—death of mother Dora Smith

Mrs. Maxwell Shapiro—death of mother Ray Katz

Julius Golding—death of brother Barney Golding

Mrs. Lester Tuchman Author of "Bible and Sword"

Mrs. Lester Tuchman, member of the Park Avenue Synagogue, has just published a most interesting book on the history of Palestine up to the period of the Balfour Declaration. The book is a scholarly work entitled "Bible and Sword" published by New York University Press and, as a well-known book service for public library described it, it is "outstanding for its historical grasp and originality."

Schedule of Coming Synagogue Events

May 4 8:30 P.M.—Friday Evening Services
Rabbi Noveck will speak on Freud and Judaism

May 5 9:30 A.M.—Sabbath Morning Services

May 7 8:30 P.M.—Prof Salomon Lecture on "The Meaning of Prayer"

May 8 8:30 P.M.—Young Marrieds Meeting

May 10 6:30 P.M.—Men's Club Annual Dinner Meeting
Special Citation to Seymour Berkson

May 11 8:30 P.M.—Twelfth Annual Liturgical Service
Siegfried Landau, Composer

May 12 9:30 A.M.—Sabbath Morning Services
Religious School Services

May 13 8:30 P.M.—Senior League Dance

May 14 8:30 P.M.—Prof. Salomon Lecture on "The Meaning of Prayer"

May 15 6:00 P.M.—1st Eve of *Shavuoth* Services

May 16 9:30 A.M.—*Shavuoth* Services—Confirmation Exercises

May 16 6:00 P.M.—2nd Eve of *Shavuoth* Services

May 17 9:30 A.M.—*Shavuoth* Services—*Yiskor*

May 18 8:30 P.M.—Friday Evening Services
Rabbi Noveck will speak "The Summing Up"

May 19 9:30 A.M.—Sabbath Morning Services

May 21 8:30 P.M.—Parents Association Annual Meeting

May 22 12:30 P.M.—Sisterhood Annual Meeting

Benjamin Sack Heads Pulpit Committee

Ezra Cohen, Chairman of the Board of Trustees announced the formation of a Pulpit Committee.

Mr. Benjamin Sack who for five years had been Chairman of the Board of Trustees was named as Chairman of the Pulpit Committee. The others who are serving on the Committee are: Hon. Bernard Botein, Mr. Benjamin Gross, Mr. Joseph Howard Katz, Mr. Samuel Lemberg, Mr. Harold H. Levin, Mr. Milton Weill.

Congratulations

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Greene—Birth of son Kenneth Eric and to the grandparents Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Hill

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dubin—Engagement of daughter Jane Betty to Gilbert Cates

Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Gevirtz—Marriage of granddaughter Renee Mnuchin to Alan Saphier

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Klein—Birth of Granddaughter Margaret Ann

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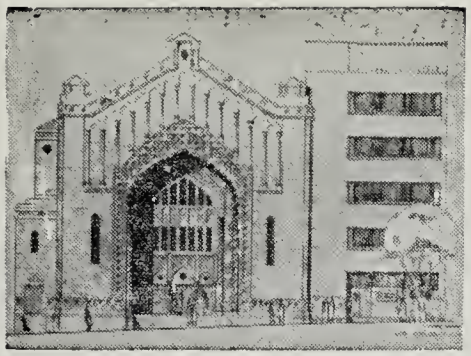

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Rabbis Kogen, Kertzer To Occupy Pulpit in June

Rabbi David C. Kogen, former spiritual leader of Congregation Beth Israel in Vancouver, B. C., Canada from 1946 to 1955 and Rabbi Morris N. Kertzer, former Associate Rabbi of the Park Avenue Synagogue, and at present the National Director of Religious Activities for the American Jewish Committee, will occupy the Pulpit of the Park Avenue Synagogue during the month of June.

Rabbi Kogen, who is serving as Director of Community Activities for the United Synagogue of America, is cooperating with the United Synagogue regions in an effort to develop a deeper spiritual and working relationship between the regions and the Conservative movement as a whole. Born in Cleveland, Ohio, where he attended the public schools and Western Reserve University, Rabbi Kogen received his B.A. degree at the University of British Columbia and was ordained at the Jewish Theo-

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U. J. A. Committee Dinner, June 7 To Honor Dr. Harold A. Osserman

The UJA Committee for the Park Avenue Synagogue will hold a Dinner on Thursday evening, June 7, 1956 at 6:00 P.M. in the Lemberg Auditorium. The Guest of Honor will be Dr. Harold A. Osserman, former Associate Treasurer of the Park Avenue Synagogue and a member of the Board of Trustees, for his services as Chairman of the UJA Committee of the Park Avenue Synagogue for the past ten years. Mr. S. Roberb Abrahami, a leading business man from Israel, will be the guest speaker.

Guest of Honor

DR. HAROLD A. OSSERMAN

Mr. Nathan B. Kogan, who succeeded Dr. Osserman as UJA Chairman, has stressed the importance of participating in this function, not only as a tribute to Dr. Osserman, but more important because of the extreme emergency which faces the people of Israel.

UJA Chairman

NATHAN B. KOGAN

"It becomes our responsibility", said Mr. Kogan, "the responsibility of American Jewry, to shoulder the financial burden for the effective carrying out of the

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Schedule of Services

Saturday Morning, June 2 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of RICHARD ROSENTHAL
son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rosenthal
Rabbi Kertzer will officiate

Saturday Morning, June 9 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of SANFORD SHAPIRO
son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Shapiro
Rabbi Kogen will officiate

Saturday Morning, June 16 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of MICHAEL KATZ
son of Mr. and Mrs. Max Katz
Rabbi Kogen will officiate

Saturday Morning, June 23 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of STEPHEN WEINSTEIN
son of Mr. and Mrs. Irwin Weinstein
Rabbi Kogen will officiate

Friday Evening Services ..... 6:00 P.M.
(*During the month of June*)

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From the Desk of The Bulletin Chairman

This will be the final issue of the BULLETIN for the current season. We have endeavored to bring you news of our synagogue functions in a manner, which we hoped would arouse your reading curiosity. If we have succeeded in cultivating your interest and participation in the many synagogue activities that the enlarged facilities of the Milton Steinberg House now provide, then we shall have served a useful purpose.

Editing and publishing the BULLETIN has been a real pleasure, but this task would have been impossible without the help of our volunteer staff of contributors and Sidney R. Katz, our executive director. To all of them, the BULLETIN Chairman wishes to express his thanks and appreciation.

And with the summer season approaching, may we wish you all a pleasant and happy summer.

NELSON RUTTENBERG
Bulletin Chairman

Reminders

May we remind you that Tisha B'Av will fall on Tuesday, July 17 this year.

This year, the High Holydays will fall unusually early. Rosh Hashanna comes on Thursday, September 6 and Friday, September 7.

Yom Kippur will fall on Sunday, September 16.

High Holiday Honors

The Ritual Committee is making up its list of honors to be awarded for the coming High Holydays which begin on September 6.

If you would like to be included on that list send your name to the Ritual Committee at once.

SOL GREEN
Chairman Ritual Committee

Auditorium Item

By MRS. JULIA KATZ

Three weeks of hammering, sawing, painting and plastering,—and the constantly changing appearance of the Lemberg Auditorium have kept our members in a state of suspenseful curiosity.

For the peace of mind of the Congregation we have defied the long-established rules of suspense productions and asked our interior designer, Mr. Ben Glick, to let us all in on the "plot".

The architectural changes in the Lemberg Auditorium, as conceived by Mr. Glick and the members of the Synagogue Committee working with him, are designed, to transform the Auditorium from an undistinguished barnlike room into an "intimate room which will provide an equally attractive setting for the most casual as well as the most formal Synagogue functions".

To achieve this end, the monotony of unbroken expanses of wall, will be relieved by alternative panels of mirror and tekko wall papering; doors will be integrated into the overall architectural design by related paneling; posts will be transformed into columns; and a color scheme created which will make a focal point of the stage. In keeping with the general character of the Milton Steinberg House, such classic forms as the design of the columns and the wall paneling are employed to achieve a contemporary effect.

Complementing the turquoise stage curtain, and making a central point of interest of the stage, the color scheme of the Auditorium will be terra cotta doors and plastic daddo creamy white woodwork and muted gold wall coverings.

These revelations about the Auditorium are rendered somewhat anticlimatic by the fact that the work will be completed in less than ten days.

In addition, the Cohen Library, furnished by Mr. Glick, affords an excellent example of his success in creating an interior which reflects the dignified and contemporary character of our building.

Mr. Ben Glick is of the firm of Ben Glick and Paul Schulke, Inc. Interior Designers. They have worked on the interiors of institutions, private organizations and large commercial establishments.

Refuah Shalomah To Our Cantors

Hazzan David J. Putterman has been confined to his home for several weeks past. Despite his doctor's orders, he left a sick bed to participate in the Annual Liturgical Music Festival, held on Friday, May 11.

Due to his continued illness, he was unable to be with us on the Shavuoth Holidays. We were fortunate, however, with his help, to secure the services of Cantor Frank Birnbaum from the Cantor's Institute, who was able, with but a few rehearsals at the home of Cantor Putterman, to conduct the musical portion of our services in a creditable manner.

Our thanks to Cantor Birnbaum and our best wishes for a speedy recovery to Hazzan David J. Putterman.

Our Bal Korah, Cantor Abraham Friedman, has recently returned to his home from the hospital, where he has been confined for the past six weeks. During his recuperation, Mr. Emil Wrescher has substituted in the reading of the Torah during the Sabbath services. To Mr. Wrescher, go our thanks and to Cantor Friedman, our best wishes for a speedy return to health. *Refuah Shalomah.*

Milton Weill Award Shared By Two Institutions

The first Milton Weill Award for outstanding contributions to health and social welfare was shared by two Long Island institutions, the Hillside Hospital in Glen Oaks and the Jewish Community Service of Long Island in Jamaica.

This award, which was created by friends of Mr. Weill, who served as president of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies from 1951 to 1954, was given to these two institutions for a joint three-year project in helping mental patients return to normal living.

Despite his participation in communal affairs, Mr. Weill has been active in the Park Avenue Synagogue, having served as a former chairman of the Board of Trustees and as chairman of the Pulpit Committee. At present, he is a member of the Board and also serves on the Pulpit Committee.

PARK AVENUE SYNAGOGUE RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

WHY SHOULD MY CHILD GO TO RELIGIOUS SCHOOL?

By attending a modern Jewish school, together with others of his own age, your child will gain a rich and joyful experience as a Jew. He will learn the great heritage of our people . . . the traditions and culture of Jews through the ages . . . the Jewish ethics and ideals which have contributed to the development of the American democratic spirit. He will grow up with a deep love and understanding of the privilege of being Jewish. Your child will find identification with you, your family, the synagogue, the Jewish community in the United States and with the Jewish people throughout the world.

WHAT DOES YOUR SCHOOL OFFER MY CHILD?

Primary Department

for children from the ages of 6 to 9. The school, which meets on Sunday morning, aims to familiarize the child with Judaism; its history and its cultural expressions. Bible stories, customs, festivals are taught through games, songs and play. The school develops within him a sense of loyalty and pride in Judaism.

Hebrew Department

for children from ages of 9 to 15. The school, which meets on two afternoons and on Saturday mornings, aims to prepare the child for an active and constructive participation in Jewish life. Instruction in Hebrew, Bible, history, customs and ceremonies and religious worship in the Junior congregation develop in the child an understanding of the religious concepts, the ethical values and the ritual forms of Judaism.

High School-Extension Department

for students on the high school level. The school, which meets on Sunday morning, offers courses in Hebrew, Basic Judaism, the great Jewish Books, Jewish History, Jewish Ethics and Bible study.

The instruction is in the hands of a well-trained and experienced faculty who use modern classroom techniques. The program is enriched by the use of music, arts and crafts, dramatics, dance, visual aids, field trips and a full holiday program sponsored by the Parents Association.

WILL MY CHILD BE PREPARED FOR BAR MITZVAH AND CONFIRMATION?

Bar Mitzvah and Bat Mitzvah for boys and girls comes at the age of 13. In accordance with the recommendation of the United Synagogue Commission on Education, a minimum of three years of instruction in the Hebrew Department is required for Bar Mitzvah and Bat Mitzvah at the Park Avenue Synagogue. The principal will discuss all special cases with parents.

Confirmation is granted to students who meet the educational requirements for Bar Mitzvah and Bat Mitzvah and continue their education for one year in a special Confirmation Class.

WHO MAY ATTEND THE RELIGIOUS SCHOOL?

Membership in the Synagogue is not necessary to qualify your child for registration. The children of members and non-members of the congregation may be enrolled in the school.

WHEN MAY I REGISTER MY CHILD IN YOUR SCHOOL?

The School office is open daily from 3:00 to 6:30 P.M. for enrollment of new students in the Religious School.

Please bring this information to any relatives or friends who are interested in Jewish Education for their children

Religious Views Recalled of the Late Adolph Ochs

By JACOB KLEIN

There are many great men to whom we Jews as well as the entire world are greatly indebted, and one of these is the late Adolph Ochs, founder and original owner of the New York Times.

Mr. Ochs was not only a leader in the field of journalism but also inspired the men and women with whom he was associated, in his deep attachment to Judaism. Recently, I had some correspondence with the Ochs family which I am sure will be of interest to the members of our congregation. It related to an editorial that appeared in the New York Times at the time of Mr. Ochs' death.

The editorial quoted from a book written by William Durant, "On the Meaning of Life." In October 1931, when Mr. Durant was preparing this book, he wrote to Mr. Ochs for his views, and Mr. Ochs' reply is quoted in the book as well as the comments of Mr. Durant which follows:

"Evidently religion does not die; in the vast majority of men it is still a living force for good and ill. I find a sincere note of it in the reply of Adolph Ochs, publisher of that finest achievement in modern journalism, the New York Times; by this letter I am better able to understand the solid, quiet success of this man in making his paper the most respected and most influential in America without ever catering to the mob.

"New York, Oct. 22, 1931.

"Dear Mr. Durant:

You ask me what meaning life has for me, what help—if any—religion gives me, what keeps me going, what are the sources of my inspirations and my energy, what is the goal or motive force of my toil, where I find my consolation and my happiness, where in the last resort my treasure lies.

To make myself clearly undrestood, if I were able to do so, would take more time and thought than I can give the matter now. Suffice it for me to say that I inherited good health and sound moral principles; I found pleasure in work that came to my hand and in doing it conscientiously; I found joy and satisfaction in being helpful to my parents and others, and in thus making my life worth while, found happiness and consolation. My Jewish home life and religion gave me a spiritual uplift and a sense of responsibility to my subconscious better self-which I think is the God within me, the Unknowable, the Inexplicable. This makes me believe I am more than an animal, and that this life cannot be the end of our spiritual future.

Yours faithfully
Adolph S. Ochs"

The deep religious spirit expressed by Mr. Ochs which shaped his life and his thinking inspired me to write to Arthur Hays Sulzbergsr, president and publisher of the New York Times for the purpose of securing any additional information that might be available on this subject. The following reply was received from Mrs. Arthur Hays Sulzberger, a daughter of Mr. Ochs:

"The New York Times
Times Square

April 6, 1956

Dear Mr. Klein:

My husband turned over to me your letter of March 28 asking for comments on my father's statement to Will Durant in 1931. I really don't think I can add very much to this as I believe the statement speaks fully for itself.

My father was raised in a Liberal Jewish household but one which took religion very seriously. He was devout though he did not attend services regularly.

He frequently told me that he felt that belonging to a minority group was of the greatest value to him as it made him very conscious of the feelings and problems of the underdog. I don't know if it really was that or just his innate goodness, but I know of no one who had more devoted friends and did more to enrich the lives of others than he. If he had an enemy, he must have been the silent type because no one every heard from him. My father was not only a great leader in the field of journalism but also his precepts and example still are the inspiraion of the men and women who produce the New York Times and the Chattanooga Times.

Sincerely,
Iphigene Ochs Sulzberger
(Mrs. Arthur Hays Sulzberger

What Adolph Ochs accomplished is well expressed in a speech delivered by Daniel Webster in Boston, in 1852:

"If we work upon marble, it will perish
"If we work upon brass, time will efface it,
But if we work upon men's immortal minds,
If we imbue men with high principles, with the just
Fear of God and love of their fellow men,
We engrave on those tablets something which no time can efface,
And which will brighten and brighten to all eternity."

The New York Times stands for an everlasting monument to the memory and glory of Adolph Ochs. That he was proud to publicly proclaim that he was a Jew and his great debt to his Jewish heritage is a credit to his memory.

JACOB KLEIN
President, Park Ave. Synagogue

Sisterhood Holds Final Meeting

By MRS. DAVID ALTSCHUL

Sisterhood held its final meeting of the year on Tuesday, May 22. The business of the meeting included an Open Forum on the future of Sisterhood and the installation of officers for the coming year.

Participating in the Forum were Mesdames Abraham N. Geller, Saul Granetts, Milton Heller, Harry J. Sokolow, and Seymour Wimpfheimer. The moderator was Mrs. Robert Gilbert.

The new officers, installed by Mrs. Milton Heller, were as follows: chaplain, Mrs. Sigmund Siegel; president, Mrs. William Karmiol; vice-presidents, Mrs. Saul Granetts, Mrs. Tubie Resnik, Mrs. Irwin Rome, Mrs. Benjamin Sack; recording secretary, Mrs. David Altschul; assistant recording secretary, Mrs. Abel Phillips; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Louis Greenstein; treasurer, Mrs. Samuel Gellert; financial secretary, Mrs. Mortimer Millheiser.

Elected to serve on the Executive Board for three years 1956-1959: Mrs. Joseph H. Katz, Mrs. Louis I. Heller, Mrs. Jesse Haas, Mrs. Harry J. Sokolow; for two years 1956-1958: Mrs. Jacob Starr, Mrs. Morris Edelman, Mrs. Harry Neivert, Mrs. Abrahom N. Geller, Mrs. Mitchell Leventhal, Mrs. Alfred Luebeck, Mrs. Mack Fieber, Mrs. Marvin Spiegel; for 1956-1957: Mrs. Benjamin Gross, Mrs. Theodore Meistrich, Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer, Mrs. Irving Shapiro, Mrs. Edward Munves, Mrs. Harold Osserman, Mrs. Shy Rosen, Mrs. Louis Stich, Mrs. Solomon E. Green; for one year: Mrs. Louis Grossman, Mrs. Edwin Slote and Mrs. Herman Helpern.

School News

By MARTIN LEICHTLING

Registration

The School Office will be open afternoons during the month of June for the registration of *new* students in the Religious School.

Members of the congregation are urged to advise their friends and relatives in the community that children of non-members may be enrolled in the school.

Closing Exercises

The Hebrew Department of the Religious School will hold its closing exercises on Wednesday afternoon, June 13.

The program for the afternoon will be an end-of-term party with dancing, movies, refreshments and an opportunity for students and teachers to exchange farewells and good wishes for a pleasant summer vacation.

Grade Two *Siddur* Service

For the past two months classes 2A, 2B and 2T have been busily preparing for the project; the fruits of which will be presented on Wednesday, June 6, in the Appleman Chapel to the parents, friends and guests of the students.

The "*Siddur* Service" is modeled upon the Friday Evening Service in the Synagogue and will include original prayers, responsive readings and the general Friday evening liturgy. The organist for the service will be Mark Siegel of Class 2A. Preliminary remarks will be delivered by Sheldon Steinbach. Original prayers written for this service will be presented by Pamela Foa, Donald Bachman, and Mark Siegel.

The highpoint of the afternoon will be presentation of personalized prayer books to each child in Grade 2 by Mr. Leichtling and Miss Lily Rubee of the Jewish Education Committee.

The following children will participate in the service:

Donald Bachman, Peter Berglas, Stephen Eisenberg, Rose Forster, Leonard Gold, Joan Helpern, Joan Hoexter, Carol Hoexter, Jane Jacob, Irene Klein, Phyllis Mishkin, Jerald Politzer, George Pollack, Mark Siegel, Sheldon Steinbach, Lillian Wiener, Donald Bienenfeld, Michael Botein, James Buff, Richard Fieber, Richard Gerard.

Willa Grauer, Howard Herman, Harvey Kohn, Gerald Stiebel, Pamela Foa, Jonathan Stowe, Elliot Bien, David Benevy, Susan Carr, Stephen Jochsberger, Edward Kreps, Stanley Kurzweil, Gerald Miller, Sanford Perlman, Richard Rubin, Irene Steiner, Robert Friedman, Rosanne Alberts, Arnold Goldman, Diana Reeve and Helen Rosenblum.

Sisterhood plus Millheiser Equal one Bride's Room

Because of the generosity of Sisterhood of Park Avenue Synagogue which last week contributed $1,100 for the special purpose of creating a Bride's Room in connection with our weddings and the able assistance of our ingenious Chairman of the House Committee, Mortimer D. Millheiser.

The Synagogue is now well on the road towards being able to boast of a very beautiful Bride's Room. Leading off the left side of the stage of the Lemberg Auditorium in what previously had been a rather beat-up ramshackle looking dressing room we now have a freshly decorated and painted Bride's Room with pretty fixtures. It is also understood that the furnishings will also in some manner find their way into the Bride's Room.

Mr. Millheiser was ably assisted by Mrs. Harry J. Sokolow, Mrs. Benjamin Sack and Arthur Ochs. All that we need now are some brides, and judging by the trends which seem inevitable, the trek of brides-to-be towards weddings in our Synagogue is about to begin.

State Scholarships

The Board of Regents of the State of New York recently announced the winners of the annual scholarship awards throughout the state. The awards are granted to the candidates who score the highest marks on a comprehensive nine-hour competitive written examination. Each scholarship carries a yearly stipend of $350 for four years and may be applied towards the tuition in any college in the State of New York.

Four students, who formerly attended our Religious School and were Bar Mitzvah in our Synagogue, were among the recipients of the awards this year. Congratulations to Edward I. Curtiss, Lee B. Reichman, Stephen J. Heyman and Theodore A. Zucker.

Confirmation-Graduation Exercises Held May 16

The Confirmation-Graduation Exercises of the Religious School were held as part of the religious services on the first day of Shavuoth, May 16. Those who participated in the service and who received diplomas were: Jay W. Adam, Phyllis J. Brody, Leona R. Giat, Sara L. Gore, David J. Reichman, Jon D. Waldman, Joseph M. Weintraub and Elliot P. Zucker.

The graduating class selected as its composite effort, a portion from the first chapter of the Ethics of the Fathers, "Three Foundations of Life." The first Pirka tells us that it was Simon, the Just, who said that the world was based upon three things: Torah, Worship, and Charity. Jon D. Waldman introduced the theme; David J. Reichman discussed the "Importance of Torah"; Joseph M. Weintraub, the "Role of Worship"; and Elliot P. Zucker, "Acts of Kindness."

Mrs. Sigmund Siegel, chairman of the School Board, presented the graduates with diplomas and bibles for the girls, and books for the boys, gifts from Sisterhood. Each of the graduates also received a money gift from an "anonymous donor."

The Youth Leadership Award, an annual award sponsored by the Men's Club in cooperation with the National Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs, to the graduate who demonstrated the "greatest aptitude for leadership in Jewish life", went to Elliot P. Zucker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Zucker, active members of our congregation. In presenting the award, consisting of a sterling silver medal and a certificate, Mr. Milton M. Sivek, president of the Men's Club, mentioned the fact that a similar award was made several years ago to Theodore Zucker, a brother of the present recipient.

Following the services, a reception was held in honor of the Confirmands in the Lemberg Auditorium to which the entire congregation was invited. The refreshments were in charge of a special committee from the Parents Association, consisting of Mrs. Sam Deutsch, Mrs. Albert Siegel, Mrs. Bernard Fread, and Mrs. Jack Kurzweil, who also arranged the beautiful table decorations.

Fourth Annual Convention, March, 1956
Report of Educators Assembly
United Synagogue of America

By MARTIN LEICHTLING

The Congregational School, throughout the United States is grappling with the problem of Jewish education for our young people beyond the age of Bar Mitzvah and Bas Mitzvah. The acceptance of the synagogue educational program on the elementary level, with its requirements and standards for Bar Mitzvah and onfirmation, and the growing acceptance of education for the adult permits us, now, to concentrate our efforts, on the development of an educational program on the teen-age level.

Mr. Henry Goldberg, past President of Educators Assembly, in his keynote address, emphasized the need for developing a curriculum based upon the needs and the experinces of the teenager. Though the adolescent may sometimes resent direction from the adult, it would be a mistake to seek to develop an educational program on this level on a purely voluntary acceptance of these courses by the students. Parents must be made to realize the importance of their role in the education of their children beyond the age of thirteen. These sentiments about the position of the parent were echoed by several speakers at the seminar sessions who described experiences in their respective communities. All clearly stated that student recruitment for the High School must begin on the elementary level and that such recruitment will only be successful if it involves an understanding both by the student and his parent of the value of his continued Jewish education.

I attended three seminars devoted to specific problems in this field of education—

"Organization and Development of a High School"

"Curriculum for Extensive and Intensive High School"

"Co-Curricular Activities: LTF, USY, Ramah"

and, list below some of the major thoughts expressed:

1. The High School must be a regular department of the school with stated objectives, a four-year course, a set curriculum with texts, tests and credits granted for completion of courses.
2. The High School must develop interest in its studies within the curriculum and not through its co-curricular activities. The inherent value of the material taught must be recognized by the student.
3. The High School must have a curriculum and a co-curricular program—each individual, yet integrated and helping to strengthen each other.
4. The High School must offer two types of educational programs—an intensive program for those who wish to enrich and further their education in Hebrew and an extensive program for those with less interest in Hebrew.
5. The development and the encouragement of Leaders' Training Fellowship and United Synagogue Youth groups and summers spent at Camp Ramah will strengthen the High School department.
6. The young people must be integrated within the congregational synagogue structure—Why not a Youth Congregation to take its place between the Junior Congregation and the Adult Congregation.
7. The High School must draw its curriculum from Sources of Judaism, Hebrew language and Jewish values.
8. The High School's success will be dependent upon the selection of teachers who qualify both as peragogues and as those who understand the needs and the interests of the adolescent. This presents a serious problem and the Assembly devoted a seminar to the problem of "Recruitment and Training of Teachers."

The development of a High School program is essential for the fuller educational growth of our young people, but the goals and the curriculum of such a school must be carefully analyzed. As I listened to the discussants at the various seminars, I was struck by the frequent proud comments that the graduates from the High School later enrolled in Teachers' Institutes. One may, of course, expect the better students in our schools to be interested in continuing their Hebrew education in institutions of higher learning, but, if our High Schools are to appeal to the greater number of our students, they must also be geared to the educational needs of the many, rather than just to the needs of the upper percentile of our students.

Rabbis Kogen, Kertzer

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logical Seminary of America. He also served on the Executive Council of the Rabbinical Assembly of America.

Both Rabbi Kogen and Rabbi Kertzer have arranged to officiate at our services temporarily during this interim period. Rabbi Kertzer will be with us at the services on Sabbath morning, June 2, and Rabbi Kogen will continue on the successive Sabbaths during the month of June.

RABBI DAVID C. KOGEN

U. J. A. Committee

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absorption of thousands of North African immigrants into Israel."

Together with Jacob Starr, Gustave Yuder and Max Zahler as co-chairmen, Mr. Kogan urges all those who have failed to send in their reservations, to do so at once.

Mr. Ezra Cohen, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, sent the following message: "The Board of Trustees of the Synagogue wishes to impress upon everyone the importance of attending the UJA dinner on June 7 in the Lemberg Auditorium. The occasion will likewise be the opportunity to honor one of the faithful and tireless workers for UJA and the Synagogue, Dr. Harold A. Osserman."

Youth Activities News

By HY SANKEL

Sports

Any program for teenagers if it is to meet the needs of these growing youngsters must include sports. Unfortunately, we do not possess the physical facilities. However, we have been able to include this phase of the program through the utilization of community resources. We plan basketball at Kehilath Jeshurun, baseball at Central Park and handball at Ansche Chessed. Recently in keeping with the Lag B'Omer tradition of outdoor sports, we played a double header baseball game. The Senior Club beat Kehilath Jeshurun 6-4 and the Junior Club lost to the Seniors of Ansche Chessed 13-1.

United Jewish Appeal

The teen agers raised the munificent sum of $300 at a recent dance which is being contributed in its entirety to the United Jewish Appeal. Not only were the Youngsters given the opportunity to aid this vital cause, and to develop an allegiance with Israel, but they had a wonderful time in the process. This is the second annual event for the U.J.A.

Hebrew Dances

Although discussions and lectures are helpful in developing an understanding of Judaism, a true appreciation of the culture of our people can sometimes be better attained by active participation in some phase of its life. With this thought in mind, the youth program expanded its activities to include a Hebrew Song and Dance Group. The progress of the group was so remarkable that we entered it in the City-Wide Hebrew Dance Festival of the United Synagogue Youth. Their performance received wide acclaim. Participating members were: Cecily Falkenstein, Elli Frischberg, Nessi Hyams, Lynn Rushmore, Leonard Stern and Martin Coopersmith.

Seminar and Dance

The clubs ended their season on a high note of accomplishment. Saturday, May 26 was set aside for study and good times. In the afternoon a series of study groups led by teenagers were organized. Many of the more serious minded youth were given an opportunity to spend the afternoon discussing problems in which they were interested. The afternoon ended with Israeli Folk Dances. Panel leaders were: John Kogan, Ted Pincus, Leonard Stern, Joan Rubinstein, Cecily Falkenstein, Mike Kohn and Richard Fread.

In the evening a most successful dance was held with a live band and free refreshments. It began with a Havdalah Service led by John Stangel. The session ended with a "bang".

Everyone is looking forward to next year when our augmented staff will be able to accommodate the scores of youngsters that had to be refused admittance to the program because the most optimistic predictions of growth could not envision the great demand for entrance that developed.

Sisterhood News

By MRS. DOROTHY SOKOLOW

Sisterhood, with its long record of achievements for the Park Avenue Synagogue, is always developing new projects. It was thrilling the other day, when an appeal was made for coffee pots to be used for the Friday night Oneg Shabbats and other Synagogue meetings, to learn that one of our members volunteered to pay for this item. We salute Mr. and Mrs. Solomon E. Green for their generous donation of $360 to cover the cost. Every time we use these items we shall be reminded of the kindness of our donors.

By this time you have also learned of the project involving the redecoration of the Ladies Lounge and a Bride's Room. Sisterhood has already contributed $1,100 to defray the cost thus far involved in this new endeavor.

Pianos Wanted

There is a great need for a piano in the Milton Steinberg House to be used by the music class. If you have any upright piano that you are contemplating selling or giving away, would you please bear us in mind and contact Mr. Sidney R. Katz, our Executive Director at the Synagogue office, telephone EN 9-2600.

Summer Wedding Schedule Active

June and July will mark a series of Synagogue weddings as well as in many cases wedding reception parties at the Park Avenue Synagogue.

The Synagogue family arranging for a wedding is that of Dr. and Mrs. Milton Helpern whose daughter Nancy is marrying Mr. Edward D. Moldover on Sunday, July 22.

In addition, six weddings of non-members are scheduled for June.

Parents Association Holds Final Election Meeting

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

The Parents Association concluded its current season with a gala birthday party, Monday evening, May 21, in the Lemberg Auditorium.

The annual election also took place that evening and Mrs. Herman Helpern was re-elected president. The slate of officers and members of the Executive Board, recommended by the Nominating Committee, was unanimously adopted and the following were elected for the coming year:

Honarary President, Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer; Honorary Vice-Pres., Mrs. Harry Zucker; President, Mrs. Herman Helpern; 1st Vice-President, Mrs. Hector Ritey; 2nd Vice-President, Mrs. Adolph Stangel; 3rd Vice-President, Mrs. Nelson Ruttenberg; Treasurer, Mrs. Leon Klein; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Bernard Grauer; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Michael Stowe; Chairman Executive Board, Mrs. Sam Deutsch.

Executive Board Members

Mrs. Frank Bergman, Mrs. Bruno Foa, Dr. Bruno Foa, Mrs. Emil Forster, Mrs. I. E. Gevirtz, Mrs. William Halpern, Mrs. J. J. Hoexter, Mr. Edward Kaye, Mr. Leon Klein, Mrs. Jack Kurzweil, Mrs. Paul Miller, Mrs. Joseph Rubenstein, Mrs. Aaron Schoenbaum, Mrs. Albert Siegel, Mrs. Stanley Simon, Mrs. Hugh Strauss, Mrs. Charles Weisberg, Mr. Bernard Weintraub, Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer, and Mrs. Harry Zucker.

After a greeting from Mrs. Herman Helpern, The American Theatre Wing Players presented a delightful, humorous play, "Really, Mother", based upon the short stories of Cornelia Otis Skinner. The play, with its familiar ring to many a parental ear, provoked much merriment and was enthusiastically received by the audience.

At the conclusion of the performance, Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer, chairman of the Program Committee, introduced Dr. Louis Linn, well known psychiatrist, who acted as moderator in the spirited discussion that followed.

The evening ended with a social hour and refreshments. Mrs. Bruno Foa, chairman of hospitality, and Mrs. Albert Siegel and Mrs. Sam Deutsch were in charge of refreshments; Mrs. Adolph Stangel, chairman of decorations, was responsible for the beautifully arranged table.

Sisterhood's Annual Brunch

By MRS. DOROTHY SOKOLOW

Sisterhood's 61st Annual Brunch and Theatre Party takes place on Wednesday, November 28 at 11:00 A.M. in the Grand Ballroom of the Hotel Astor.

The various Committees are hard at work and if we are to be successful in this undertaking we must begin our plans immediately.

Mrs. Sigmund Siegel is Chairman of the Luncheon and Mrs. Abel Phillips will serve as her co-chairman. Mrs. Irwin Rome has been appointed Treasurer. Mrs. Tubie Resnik will serve as Chairman of television, Mrs. Shy Rosen will serve as Chairman of hostesses and Mrs. Harry J. Sokolow will be in charge of publicity.

The play selected is "Auntie Mame" with Rosalind Russell in the star role and is based upon the book Auntie Mame, a best seller for the past year.

Many of the husbands of our members of Sisterhood have decided to assist in making this a gala day for the Women's Division and we plan to have tables set aside for them.

In order to distribute the tickets in the fairest manner, the Committee after considerable deliberation has decided on the following procedure. The Committee will arrange, immediately after Labor Day, September 4 to work in shifts and deliver all the kits to each worker with the necessary letters and books enclosed. All that the worker will be required to do is to sign the letter which should be mailed immediately.

Checks should be received by September 18 and in the order that contributions are received, at the rate of $20 for each book, a number will be assigned to the donor and the seat will be assigned according to that number. The Committee on Decorations will be headed by Mrs. Regina Stangel.

Will you help Sisterhood make this 61st Birthday a huge success?

Remember the day! Wednesday, November 28, and the place, Hotel Astor. Make yourself eligible to be the lucky winner of the color television set which is one of the prizes to be awarded.

From the Heart of the Membership Chairman

By HARRY J. SOKOLOW

For many months, this Chairman and his Committee by authority and mandate of the Board of Trustees of your Synagogue have been trying to put into practice the dues survey that was made by Asa D. Sokolow. Many of you have responded. Some with such heart warming letters of praise and encouragement and hope for the future of our Synagogue, that despite the many loves by many of us—it has truly been a labor of love. Space does not permit us to publish a few of these letters. To those of you who are disregarding the letters, we regret to inform you that the basic minimums must be established lest we run into a crisis. The rising costs of maintaining an institution such as ours makes it just your *duty* to support it. Secondly, your pride in belonging to it and therefor your share in its responsibility—if we are to be known as the Cathedral Congregation in the Conservative movement, let us all prove it.

A survey also reveals what it actually costs to carry a family of two wherefore these minimums were established. The tickets for the High Holy Days will go out about June 1 due to the early Rosh Hashanah when some of you may be away for it is just a few days after Labor Day. We urge you to follow the pattern of the many, loyal, eager Congregants who for a long time have shouldered the responsibility that should be ours. Would you help them share it? Please answer the *third* letter or meet with the Committee as soon as possible. We want all of you to stay with us if possible, and we assure you that the Pulpit Committee will obtain the best possible for the Pulpits in both the Synagogue and Lemberg Auditorium. They are sparing no effort.

We invite your immediate attention to the fact and ask you to answer or meet with the Committee. Just call the office for an appointment.

Condolences

Mrs. A. Weiss—death of husband Dr. Adolf Weiss

Mrs. Harry Dubin—loss of father Louis Liebman

Young Marrieds

By MRS. MAXINE MAMELOK

To celebrate the conclusion of a very successful and rewarding year, the Young Marrieds have planned an evening of dining and dancing at the Hotel Sheraton-Astor on June 5. The festivities of the evening should create a fine atmosphere for the business at hand. At this time, the Nominating Committee will present the new slate of Officers for the coming year.

On behalf of the group I would like to extend our best wishes for a healthy, happy summer.

Congratulations

Miss Dorothy Schoenfeld upon her marriage to David Rodnon

Mr. and Mrs. Isidore Hahn—30th Wedding Anniversary, June 2

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Arkin—35th Wedding Anniversary, June 7

Mrs. Charles Weill—88th Birthday, June 13

Mrs. and Mrs. Arthur Ochs—40th Wedding Anniversary, June 25

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph I. Lubin—30th Wedding Anniversary, June 27

Dr. and Mrs. Murray Rubinstein—30th Wedding Anniversary, June 27

Dr. and Mrs. Milton Helpern—Engagement of daughter Nancy to Mr. Edward D. Moldover

Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Broverman—marriage of daughter Iris M. to Mr. Howard Kaplan

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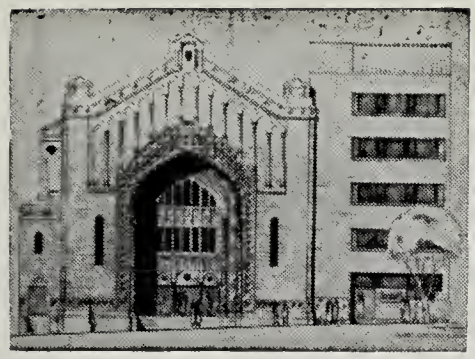

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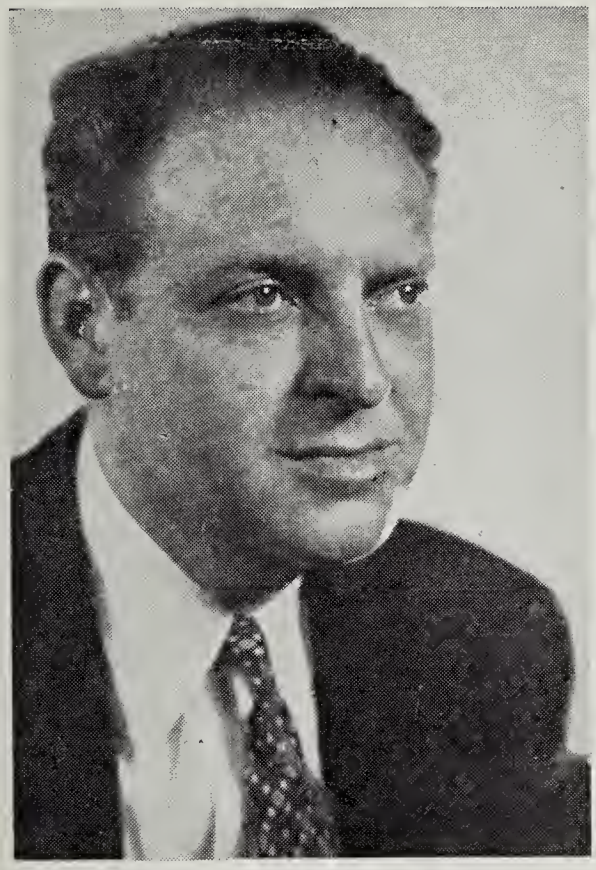
HIGH HOLIDAY SERVICES BEGIN WEDNESDAY NIGHT, SEPTEMBER 5th

Park Avenue Synagogue will usher in the Jewish New Year on Wednesday evening, September 5 at 6:00 P.M. with the *Rosh Hashanah Maariv* Services. The two days of *Rosh Hashanah* Thursday and Friday, September 6 and 7 respectively will witness High Holiday Services at the Synagogue in both the main section of the Synagogue and in the Lemberg Auditorium.



RABBI MOSHE DAVIS

RABBI DAVID C. KOGEN

The Park Avenue Synagogue by special arrangement with the Jewish Theological Seminary has arranged for the temporary services of two leading Rabbis who have distinguished themselves in their special fields of endeavor.

The officiation will be directed by Dr. Moshe Davis, Provost of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America and Assistant Professor on the faculty of the Rabbinical School of the Seminary. His writings include *Jewish Religious Life and Institutions in America* and *The Shaping of American Judaism.* The latter book received the Louis La Med Award for an outstanding contribution to Hebrew literature.

Dr. Davis served as editor of the *Mordecai M. Kaplan Jubilee Volumes.* He

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SCHEDULE Of HOLIDAY SERVICES

Rosh Hashanah Eve, Wednesday, Sept. 5	5:45 P.M.
Rosh Hashanah Morning, Thursday, Sept. 6	8:30 A.M.
Second Evening, Thursday, Sept. 6	5:45 P.M.
Second Morning, Friday, Sept. 7	8:30 A.M.
Friday Evening, Sept. 7	5:45 P.M.
Shabbat Shuvah, Sept 8	9:30 A.M.
Kol Nidre, Friday, Sept. 14	6:30 P.M.
Yom Kippur, Saturday, Sept. 15	8:30 A.M.
Yizkor (Memorial Services)	3:00 P.M.

The High Holy Day Services will be conducted by Rabbis Moshe Davis and David C. Kogen and Hazzan David J. Putterman, assisted by the Synagogue Choir and organist, George Crook.

HAZZAN DAVID J. PUTTERMAN

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New Year's Greetings From The President

One more voyage completed. The Home Port. Old friends to greet us and bid us welcome. The firm clasp of hands conveying unspoken messages from the heart.

A day upon which to reminisce, to evaluate and to give thanks for the privilege of again answering "present" at the annual roll call.

Sincerest greetings to all of you and to the great body of Jewry, not only here in the United States, but to Israel, and to Jews all over the world not only for this year, but for many, many years to come.

JACOB KLEIN, *President of* Park Avenue Synagogue

Greetings From the Chairman of the Board

It is earnestly the hope of the Officers and Trustees that the year will bring the peaceful bliss of unity and good cheer amongst all the members of the Park Avenue Synagogue. A most Happy New Year to everyone!

EZRA COHEN
Chairman, Board of Trustees

2 Months and 28 Days to Sisterhood Luncheon

Just in case you neglected to do so, please be sure to make the appropriate notation on your calendar now for WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 28 — SISTERHOOD LUNCHEON.

Sisterhood News

By DOROTHY SOKOLOW

Eighty-nine days left for Luncheon and Matinee for Sisterhood of Park Avenue Synagogue. As you make plans for the New Year, it would be wise to jot down on your calendar Wednesday, November 28 at 11:30 A.M. at The Sheraton-Astor where the Sisterhood will meet for Brunch, have an opportunity to meet all their friends, possibly win the "Color Television" which is the prize—and then see "Auntie Mame" with Rosalind Russell which promises to be the hit for this season.

The Committees have all been hard at work all summer—and your books will be in your hands before September 15. You all have the same opportunity to get a good seat. The decision rests with you.

An unusual Committee of "Busy Bees" have made table center decorations. To have seen them every Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from 10:00 to 12:00 in the Milton Steinberg House working away was a very exciting and stimulating experience. To Mrs. Regina Stangel and her Committee of Mrs. Leon Klein, Mrs. Charles Weisberg, Mrs. Albert Siegel, Mrs. Bruno Foa, and Mrs. Jack Kurzweill, our deepest gratitude.

Your reward will come the day of the Luncheon when all the assembled guests—and we hope to have 700—will see your unusual—original—works of art.

Men's Club New Year's Greetings

As the High Holy Days approach, the Men's Club extends its warm greetings to our Congregants and to men of good will everywhere.

We hope and pray that the New Year will bring the promise of peace throughout the world.

May the coming year be fruitful in many ways: rich in opportunities to serve God and fellowman; to establish security and peace of mind: and may it bring enduring satisfaction in creative achievement.

May the coming year be a joyous one for you . . . and the forerunner of many Happy New Years-

MILTON M. SIVEK
President, Men's Club

Greetings from Parents Association

On behalf of the Parents Association. I take great pleasure in greeting the parents of children in our Religious School. Now that the summer months are over —and we have all had an opportunity to relax—we approach the New Year with renewed faith and confidence.

It is my earnest hope that with the excellent school facilities now available —and the expanded youth program— more children will be encouraged to take advantage of the Hebrew education offered by our Religious School—where the quality of teaching is of the highest.

However, in order to make the ideals of Judaism—as taught through our books a *reality*, it is important that parents assume an active role in the learning process. This can best be achieved by participating in the program of the Parents Association; which is dedicated toward interpreting the needs of both children and parents, enriching the curriculum wherever possible,—and serving at all times as a liaison between the home and the school. Only then, can the happy experiences gained in the Hebrew School become part of the child's daily life.

And so, I urge every parent, to assume a greater responsibility in the program of the Parents Association—and the activities of the Synagogue. This will insure a well-rounded experience in Judaism for the entire family.

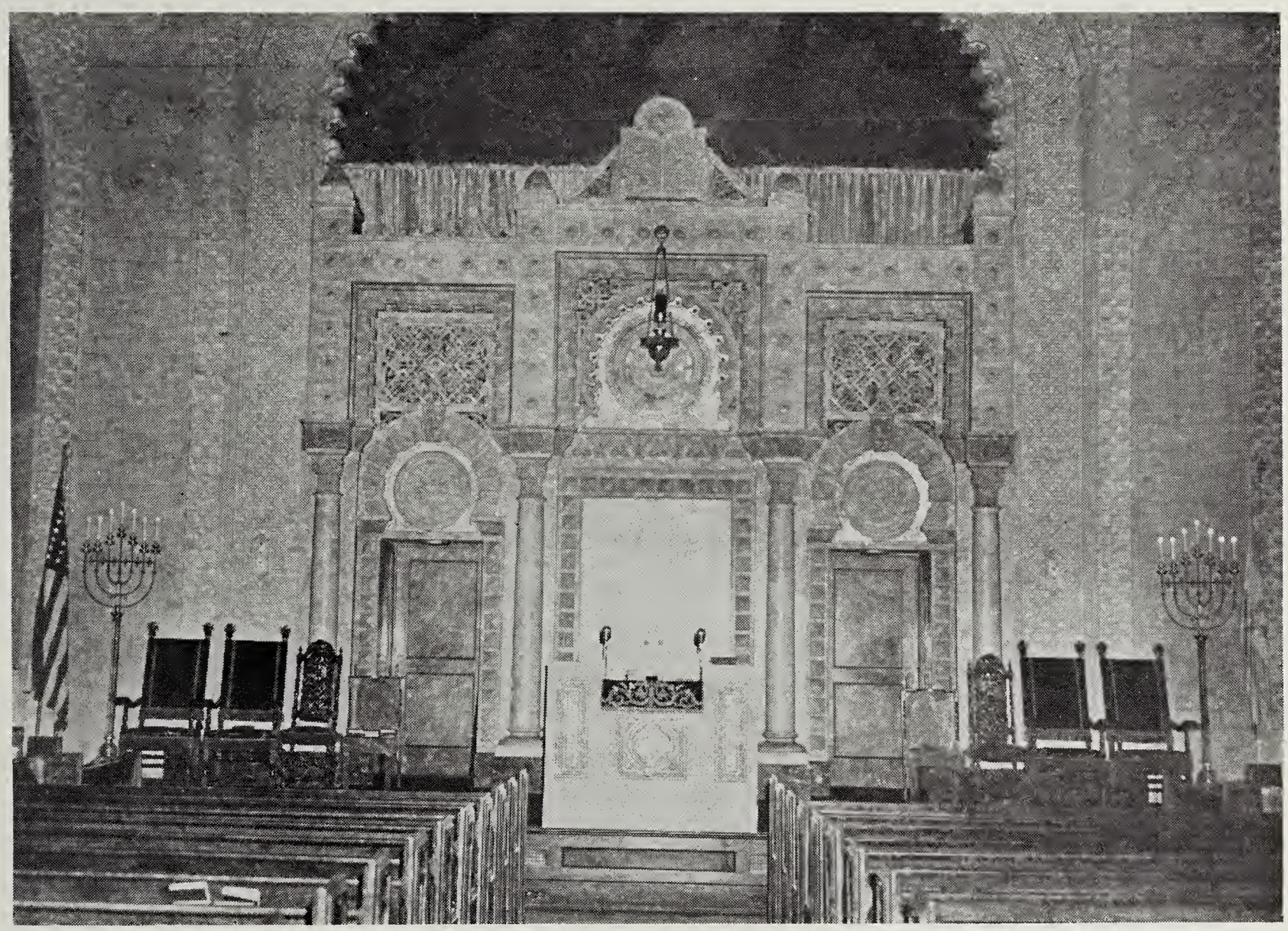
May I close—with a New Year's greeting to all!

LILLIAN HELPERN
President, Parents Association

Joseph I. Lubin Honored by U.J.A.

Joseph I. Lubin, a member of the Board of Trustees of Park Avenue Synagogue has recently been named National Co-Treasurer of the U.J.A. Mr. Lubin has been active in civic, educational and philanthropic activities for many years, having served as Chairman of the Accounting Division of the U.J.A. and has been a major figure in the work of the Joint Distribution Committee and having served in close consultation with Israel Government officials on many undertakings. Mr. Lubin has served on University Boards and Statewide Commissions for the State of New York.

SYNAGOGUE INTERIOR RECENTLY RENOVATED



For the first time since the present quarters of the Park Avenue Synagogue at 50 East 87th Street had been erected just 30 years ago, the interior of the Synagogue Sanctuary underwent a thorough cleaning and refurbishing.

All the years of soot and New York City dirt which had worked its way into thousands of square feet of stone and marble were patiently and tirelessly removed by a large crew of working men during the summer.

An entire structure of scaffolding had to be built in the Synagogue in order to reach all the high and remote areas.

The work was done under the active supervision of Mortimer D. Milldeiser, Chairman of the House Committee. and Saul Godwin, Chairman of the Building Committee.

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL NEWS

By MARTIN LELCHTLING, *Principal*

Registration

New admissions to the Primary Department and the Hebrew Department of the Religious School are now being accepted in the school office. Parents are urged to visit the office any afternoon after 3:00 P.M. to register their children.

Greetings

The Principal and the Faculty of the Religious School look forward to a DIAMOND JUBILEE YEAR in which the combined efforts of teacher and parent will result in greater educational achievement by our children.

Religious School Opens

The Religious School of the Park Avenue Synagogue will hold its opening session on Monday afternoon, September 17. Students who attended the Primary Department or the Hebrew Department of the school last year will receive their new class and room assignment in the mail. New Students must register for the coming school year in the School Office any afternoon after 3:00 P.M.

The Primary Department of the school will hold its first session on Sunday morning, September 23.

High School Department

The High School Department will hold its first session on Sunday, October 7 in the Milton Steinberg House. Registration for courses in this department is open only to post-confirmands and to students who are now attending a secular high school. Prior attendance in the Hebrew Department is not a prerequisite for admission to the High School Department.

Dr. Aaron Giat will, once again, give his excellent courses in elementary, intermediate and advanced Hebrew. George E. Zeitlin, a graduate from Columbia College, Columbia Law School, and the Hebrew Teachers Institute, will give two courses: Basic Judaism—a study of those beliefs, ideals and practices that make up the Jewish faith and The Great Jewish Books—a study of Jewish thoughts and ideas and their influence in the development of civilization.

Students for the High School Department may register in the school office.

Hail and Farewell

The School Board announces the appointment of Raphael Arzt to the faculty of the Religious School. Mr. Arzt received his Bachelor of Arts degree at New York University and has been granted the degree of Master of Arts in Education by the Teachers Institute of the Jewish Theological Seminary. Mr. Arzt, who will teach the Hebrew I classes this year, has had extensive experience working with children in camp and in the classroom.

Mr. and Mrs. Amazia Shirion have been granted a leave of absence to return to Israel. Mr. Shirion, a native Israeli, has been associated with our Saturday classes for a number of years and Mrs. Shirion has done wonderful work with our kindergarten and first grade class in the Primary Department.

Our good wishes go with Mr. and Mrs. Shirion and their children as they go off to Israel.

Congratulations

The faculty of the Religious School is proud to announce that two of our former students, Eugene Roth Jr. and Michael Rosenblum, passed the three-year Hebrew Regents examination in June, 1956 with unusually high grades. This examination is conducted by the University of the State of New York for students who have studied Hebrew for three years in the high schools in New York.

Eugene and Michael prepared for the examination under the guidance of Dr. Giat. Congratulations to both boys and their teacher.

Jewish Holiday Stories

Five charming stories, lavishly illustrated in multiple colors, that will delight the heart and capture the soul of the pre-school Jewish child, have recently been published by the United Synagogue Commission on Jewish Education.

The stories deal with the joyous adventures of three young children in an American Jewish home. The style is vivid and rhythmic, the stories intriguing. The exciting adventures of Mimmy, Joel and Baby Dan will result in the child's happy identification with the heroes of the stories.

The illustrations are by artists who have won awards and honors for their outstanding talents in illustrating books for the very young.

Books in this series now available are: GOOD SHABBOS, EVERYBODY, HAPPY HANUKAH EVERYBODY, PESAH IS COMING!, PESAH IS HERE!, and THE SUKKAH AND THE BIG WIND.

The books — ideal gifts for young children for every occasion — are priced at $1.00 each and may be ordered through the Religious School office. Checks must accompany all orders.

Principal Speaks At New Milford Congregation

Martin Leichtling, principal of the Religious School, was the guest speaker, on August 20, 1956, at a congregational meeting of the New Milford (N.J.) Jewish Community Center.

Mr. Leichtling, who spoke on the subject "An Enriched Program of Education for the American-Jewish Child", stressed the need for a varied and intensive program of education for both boys and girls from the early formative years through the post-confirmation years, if the religious school is to achieve the standards and ideals of the congregational school as set by the United Synagogue Commission on Education.

High Holiday Services At Jewish Museum

High Holy Day services for the young people and the children of the Congregation will be held, as in previous years, at the Jewish Museum, 92nd Street and Fifth Avenue. The facilities of the Museum have been made available to the Park Avenue Synagogue through the kindness of Dr. Stephen S. Kayser, curator of the Museum.

Services for the students in the Hebrew Department of the school will be conducted by the members of the Junior Congregation under the direction of Irving Spielman, of the Jewish Theological Seminary, assisted by Walter Stein at the organ. Special services will also be conducted for the younger children, ages 6 to 9, who attend the Primary Department. This service will be of particular appeal to our children who cannot read Hebrew. It will provide them with real emotional and religious experience.

Tickets for the services at the Museum have been mailed to all students enrolled in the Religious School. Parents may secure tickets for children not registered in the School by calling the Synagogue Office.

From the Chairman of Membership Committee

On the Eve of the New Year, may I take this opportunity of thanking all the members who have complied with the ruling of the Board of Trustees, and met the standards required of them. We have very carefully followed the plan as outlined by the architect of the Dues Survey, Mr. Asa D. Sokolow.

Despite some unpleasant experiences, one letter stating "May I congratulate you and your Committee on the outstanding job you have done—and may I voluntarily increase my dues to $500.
Signed, J.K."
have made working at the Synagogue several nights a week for many months a labor of love.

The recollection of members like M. M. who brought his annual dues up to $750, or like M. G. to $800, helps make the burden of such tasks like this much more bearable.

May I also welcome the new members. We hope that you will enjoy worshipping with us, and that you will get into the spirit of all our activities.

To Mr. Archie Thurman, Mr. Joe Katz, Mr. Harry Halbren, Mr. Sidney R. Katz and Mr. Emanuel Rosenthal our regulars at this time and to Mr. Tubie Resnik and Mr. Edward Kaye and Mr. Emanuel Hochman, my very, very sincere thanks.

HARRY J. SOKOLOW

Volunteers Invited On Do-It-Ourselves *Sukkah*

Milton Sivek, chairman of the *Sukkah* committee, invites congregants both men and women who have exhausted the do-it-yourself potentialities of their home to earn a "*Mitzvah*" by aiding in the building of the *Sukkah* on the roof of the Milton Steinberg House Monday afternoon, September 17, 4:30 P.M. Strictly informal and everyone welcome. Bandaids supplied.

Youth Activities

HYMAN SANKEL, *Director*

The Youth Activities Division of the Synagogue is both happy and proud to meet the needs of the youth of our community. We hope that it will no longer be necessary to refuse admission to any neighborhood Jewish child.

Advance registration begins on Monday afternoon, September 17 in the Religious School office. If you are interested in your child joining any of our clubs please consult the following schedule before arranging for after school lessons so that conflicts may be avoided.

Monday	*Tuesday*
3:30 - 6:00	7:30 - 9:00
Game Room	Boy Scouts
Ages 8 - 13	Ages 11 - 15
Wednesday	*Thursday*
3:30 - 6:00	3:30 - 6:00
Arts and Crafts	Game Room
Ages 6 - 13	Ages 8 - 13
Friday	*Sunday*
3:30 - 5:00	3:00 - 5:00
(1) Brownies	Teen Agers
Ages 7 - 9	Ages 13 - 17
(2) Cub Scouts	Three Clubs
Ages 8 - 10	
(3) Girl Scouts	
Ages 10 - 14	

A vitalized program of cultural, social, religious and athletic activities is being planned. Encourage your child to continue his affiliation with the Synagogue even though his formal religious training has ended. It is a bond which will aid him in realizing his full potential as a person, a Jew and an American.

Condolences

To the family—Clemence G. Lemle

Mrs. L. Solomon—death of husband Leopold Solomon

Philip Friedman—death of mother Rosa Friedman

Milton Sivek—death of father Samuel Sivek

Mrs. Clara Guggenheimer—death of husband Julius Guggenheimer

Abraham Mendelson—death of daughter Isabelle Lasher

Mortimer D. Millheiser—death of sister Mrs. F. W. Hose

Mrs. M. E. Hill—death of husband Milton E. Hill

Mrs. Irving Rosen—death of father Zundel Pomerantz

Congratulations

Hon. and Mrs. Nathaniel Goldstein—marriage of daughter Lois Elaine to Jerome Lowenstein

Dr. and Mrs. I. Brodsky—marriage of daughter Barbara to Elliot Smith

Dr. and Mrs. Theodore Kaplan—marriage of daughter Elizabeth to Robert M. Secor

Dr. and Mrs. Milton Helpern—marriage of daughter Nancy to Edward D. Moldover

Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel Hochman—marriage of daughter Harriet Ann to H. Richard Etlinger

Dr. and Mrs. William Karmiol—marriage of daughter Stephanie to Mandel Kuber

Mrs. E. Berets—marriage of son Dr. Donald Berets

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Taffae—engagement of son Robert C. to Barbara Chobot

Mrs. Anna Edelman—engagement of granddaughter Ruth Kathy Edelman to Lt. Mark R. Joseph

Dr. Sigmund Siegel, Chairman, New Ushering Committee

Dr. Sigmund Siegel, long identified with the Park Avenue Synagogue, has been appointed the new Chairman of the Ushering Committee.

Serving with him will be: Harry Dubin, Emil Forster, Dr. Irwin Grantz, Milton Heller, Julian Jacobs, Edward Kaye, Leon Klein, Theodore Meistrich, Dr. Harry Neivert, Sidney Silberman, Milton Sivek, Asa Sokolow, Dr. Samuel Stern.

The new Chairman announced that the members of the Ushering Committee have met for the purpose of adopting specific regulations for the conduct of the Services in the Synagogue and the Lemberg Auditorium for the High Holy Days.

Dr. Siegel has requested that the members cooperate with the Ushering Committee so that the customary standards of dignity and decorum can be maintained during the entire Services.

Members are requested to bring their tickets with them so as to avoid confusion at the door and come to the Services as early as possible.

High Holiday Services

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is Co-Director of the American Jewish History Center with Dr. Allan Nevins, Professor of American History at Columbia University. In May, 1956 Rabbi Davis received a Guggenheim fellowship to study the growth of the Jewish tradition in America.

Of special personal interest to us is a fact that Rabbi Davis, while still a student at the Seminary about 15 years ago, accepted an invitation from the late Rabbi Milton Steinberg to teach at our Religious School. Some of our families will have a very gratifying personal association with him.

Rabbi David C. Kogen will assist Rabbi Davis. Rabbi Kogen, also a national figure in Jewish life, is currently the Director of Community Activities at the United Synagogue of America. Rabbi Kogen was a Rabbi at a Congregation in British Columbia for almost 10 years and has also served in the B'nai B'rith Hillel movement.

We know that our Congregants will look forward with pride to the distinction which these Rabbis will bring to our Congregation in the forthcoming High Holidays even though they are serving only in a temporary capacity until such time as our new Rabbi is selected.

Rabbis Davis and Kogen will each deliver separate sermons. The theme of Dr. Moshe Davis' sermons on *Rosh Hashanah* will be "The Able Heart". Rabbi Kogen's topics will be "The Best Year of Our Lives".

On *Yom Kippur*, Rabbi Kogen's theme will be "As You Will It", and Dr. Davis' sermon will be on "The Sabbath of Sabbaths".

Hazzan David J. Putterman will participate in the officiation as in the past accompanied by the choir and the organist George Crook.

Isidor Hahn, long-time member of the Synagogue, will again blow the *Shofar*.

9th Annual Political Meeting Opens Men's Club Season

By HARVEY GLASSER

The first meeting of Men's Club of the Park Avenue Synagogue for the 1956-57 season will be the 9th annual political meeting to be held at the end of October. In this extremely important and exciting presidential election year, no one will want to miss Men's Club very popular political meeting which will take on added importance and drama. The date and details will be announced later.

Once again, all men of the Synagogue are urged to join Men's Club and participate in the varied and interesting program of activities and meetings for which Men's Club has become renowned. A gala program of outstanding events, personalities and topics will be presented throughout the year. Watch the BULLETIN for notices of all meetings and events. You and your friends are cordially invited.

Men's Club President Milton Sivek has announced the appointment of Harvey Glasser replacing Louis I. Heller as Corresponding Secretary of Men's Club. Mr. Heller resigned to accept appointment as Executive Secretary and Educational Administrator of Cong. Beth Israel of Atlantic City, N. J. Mr. Glasser will also assume Mr. Heller's other duties as editor of Men's Club *Memo* and publicity representative of Men's Club on the Park Avenue Synagogue BULLETIN.

Louis I. Heller has served both Men's Club and the Synagogue untiringly with distinction and devotion over many years and we all wish him Godspeed in his new endeavor.

Mr. Sivek also announced the following appointments: Jack Boorstein has been reappointed Chaplain of Men's Club. Monroe Heyward has been reappointed as chairman of the program committee and Dr. Sigmund Siegel has been reappointed as chairman of the membership committee. Other committee chairmen and the makeup of committees will be announced in the near future.

At the request of Mr. Ezra Cohen, chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Synagogue, Men's Club is organizing an ushering committee which will serve the Synagogue on the High Holidays and at Sabbath services.

September 18 Meeting: Open Invitation From The Young Marrieds

With the celebration of our seventh year as an active and participating affiliated group of the Park Avenue Synagogue, we extend to the officers and congregation all good wishes for a happy and joyous New Year. It is our hope and prayer that this New Year will bring tranquility to Israel and that world Jewry will prosper.

As you know, our group is dedicated to the fostering of fellowship among the younger element of our Synagogue and our aim, aside from being social, is to bring a religous understanding of the "Jewish way of life" to our members. From personal experience I know that membership in the Young Marrieds and active participation in its programs and activities not only does this, but it also creates a better understanding and reveals some of the responsibility some day to be bourne by the youth of today.

With this in mind, I wish to take this opportunity to extend an invitation to all our contemporaries, whether new members of the Synagogue or old, to join us at our opening meeting to be held in the Lemberg Auditorium on September 18, 1956. Our program for the coming year will be planned and speakers, symposia and social events will be submitted for approval and suggestion. We expect a record turnout. Won't you join us?

FRED H. KRONES, *President*

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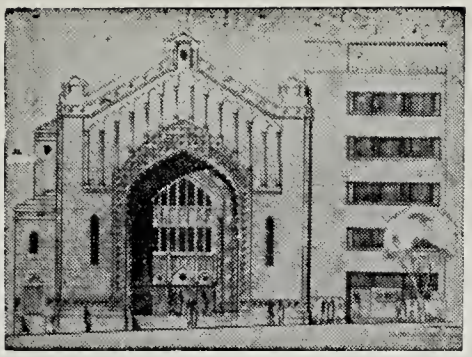

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Congregants to be Honored on Simhath Torah, Friday September 28

On Friday morning, September 28, *Simhath Torah*, Park Avenue Synagogue will once again continue in its pioneering path of awarding its leading Congregants with honors arising from century old Jewish traditions.

Nelson Ruttenberg, Nathan Appleman and Mrs. Sigmund Siegel are the honorees for the year 1956. A reception to all Congregants as a tribute to the guests of honor will be tended in the Lemberg Auditorium directly following the end of the Services on Friday noon.

During the services and following the *Hakafot*, the processional with the *Torah* Scrolls, Nelson Ruttenberg will be called to "stand forth" as *Hathan Torah* (Bridegroom of the *Torah*).

Then Nathan Appleman will be called to the pulpit as *Hathan Bereshith* (Bridegroom of the Beginning), as the *Torah* is rerolled and the first verses of Genesis are read.

Mrs. Sigmund Siegel will be honored this year as *Kalah Mafteret* (Bride of the Prophetic Message) for *Simhath Torah* 5717.

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Hathan Torah

NELSON RUTTENBERG

Kalah Mafteret

MRS. SIGMUND SIEGEL

Hathan Bereshith

NATHAN APPLEMAN

Two Months and Two Days to Sisterhood Brunch and Matinee November 28, 1956

The books for the luncheon are in your possession. We want all of you to be with us on this occasion, to enjoy an event that has been planned for several months.

Please send your checks to your captain or to Mrs. Irwin Rome. Remember the Brunch will be held at the Hotel Astor and then to see "Auntie Mame" with Rosalind Russell.

Perhaps you will be the lucky winner of a Color Television to be presented as a door prize.

The Committee will meet every Tuesday morning from 10 A.M. to noon in the Cohen Library of the Milton Steinberg House to receive your checks.

IN MEMORIUM
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Visitor From Australia Here on Yom Kippur

By NELSON RUTTENBERG

Among the several visitors who prayed with us on *Yom Kippur* was Sim Crawcour from Launcestor, Tasmania, Australia. Although a business trip took him thousands of miles from his family, he was not among strangers but at home, sharing the Holyday spirit with his fellow Jews.

Sunday morning after the Holydays, Mr. Crawcour, who is president of the Launcestor Hebrew Congregation, stopped into the synagogue office to tell us how much he enjoyed the services and to express his thanks for having been permitted to worship with us as our guest.

The Launcestor congregation is perhaps the smallest in the world, consisting of 31 members including men, women and children. After having been closed for 60 years, the synagogue was finally re-opened in 1938. Mr. Crawcour's daughter was married in the synagogue in 1951, the first wedding ceremony that had taken place there in 85 years. As our Australian friend said to us, "Giggle that one off."

Rabbi Moshe Davis and Manny Rosenthal, who were present during Mr. Crawcour's visit, agreed that it was a revelation. It was additional proof of the universality of the Jew and the endless chain that links Jews together all over the world. Before leaving, Mr. Crawcour asked for a copy of the prayer book which we use on the High Holydays. He left with one of our Holiday prayer books inscribed with the compliments of the Park Avenue Synagogue as a memento of his brief sojourn with us. He had entered our midst as a stranger but had left as an old friend.

Congratulations To Sisterhood

By this time, most of you have received the notice of Sisterhood's program for the coming season.

While many of us have been enjoying our summer vacations, the officers and committee chairmen of our ladies organization have been busily engaged in planning their various functions.

Theirs is an ambitious program and they are to be congratulated for this worthy effort. At their first luncheon meeting, Rabbi Morris N. Kertzer will relate his personal experiences while touring Soviet Russia as a member of a delegation of Rabbis who went there to find out what the Jewish situation was behind the Iron Curtain.

The program, in keeping with the high standards of previous years, provides for monthly meetings and should be well attended.

NELSON RUTTENBERG
Chairman of BULLETIN

Youth Activities

By HY SANKEL, *Director*

Teen-Agers

It is significant at this time of the year to note how the young people of our synagogue understand and fulfill their responsibilities to the community as a whole but especially to the Jewish community. In addition to the $300 contributed to the U.J.A., they continued the tradition begun under the leadership of Doris Wimpfheimer to aid in the support of the Synagogue Library and the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies. Money was also contributed to the American Red Cross, Cerebral Palsy, the American Jewish Society for Service, and an interracial camp for underprivileged children.

Clubs Begin

Clubs begin meeting the week of September 30. Teen-agers on Sunday, September 30; Game Room on Monday, October 1; Boy Scouts on Tuesday; Arts and Crafts on Wednesday; Cub Scouts, Girl Scouts and Brownies on Friday. Early registration at the Education Office may preclude later disappointment.

SCHEDULE Of HOLIDAY SERVICES

Shemini Atzereth, Wednesday Evening September 26 . . . . 6:00 P.M.
Kiddush will be served in Sukkah by Men's Club

Shemini Atzereth, Thursday Morning, September 27 . . . . 9:30 A.M.
Yiskor Memorial Services
Rabbi Kogen will preach: "The Span of Years"
Kiddush will be served in Sukkah

Simhath Torah, Thursday Evening September 27 . . . . . 6:00 P.M.
Simhath Torah, Friday Morning September 28 . . . . . 9:30 A.M.
Honoring of Three Congregants
Nelson Ruttenberg, Nathan Appleman, Mrs. Sigmund Siegel
Reception after services will take place in Lemberg Auditorium

Friday Evening, September 28 . . . . . 6:00 P.M.
Saturday Morning September 29 . . . . . 9:30 A.M.
Rabbi Kogen will preach: "The Day of Delight"

Friday Evening, October 5 . . . . . 6:00 P.M.
Saturday Morning, October 6 . . . . . 9:30 A.M.
***Bar Mitzvah* of JONATHAN CHARNAS**
Son of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Charnas
Rabbi Kogen will preach

Friday Evening, October 12 . . . . . 6:00 P.M.
Saturday Morning, October 13 . . . . . 9:30 A.M.

Diamond Jubilee Year of Park Avenue Synagogue Hailed by Ezra Cohen, Board Chairman

This message was delivered to the Congregation by Mr. Ezra Cohen on Kol Nidre night directly following the sermons of the Rabbis.

On this day, much of the service is given over to individual soul searching. In keeping with the solemnity of the occasion it would seem quite proper for us also to do a little *collective stock taking*,—as a group—as an institution. Perhaps *we* should indulge in a brief analysis. Where do we stand as of the moment? *How* may we chart our course *for* the future?

With the absence of permanent spiritual leadership we are most grateful to Rabbi Moshe Davis and Rabbi David Kogen for the splendid cooperation they are giving us in these High Holy Day services. They are helping out in the emergency at no little inconvenience to themselves. -Each had prior commitments and adjustments had to be made. With the *alert* direction of our own *Hazzan* David— and the musical portion which grows more elegant each year, all have united their efforts to bring us observances that are beautiful as they are impressive.

Three score and 15 years ago a handful of people organized themselves into a congregation. They named it *Agudath Jeshorim*. Later on because of location and habit, it became known as THE PARK AVENUE SYNAGOGUE but its Hebrew name is still retained. So—beginning with this Jewish year 5717, we celebrate our 75th Anniversary as a synagogue, *our Diamond Jubilee*. There will be a series of events and observances throughout. You have already received in the mail the dates of the main functions. It would be well to list them on your calendars. You can be assured that each will have a particular significance and each will be noteworthy in itself.

Culminating all the observances and celebrations there will be the grand get-together social for the entire membership,—The Diamond Jubilee Dinner on March 31 at the Sheraton-Astor Hotel. Further information will be sent in the mail and will be published in the BULLETIN as each of the several programs is rounded out and each of the committees sets up its individual plans.

The members of this Congregation make up a very diversified group. The main strength, of course, stems from the devotion of the rank and file, the average you and me person. Each one of us makes a contribution of time and service, some modestly, some adequately and some in extra good measure,—nevertheless their combined effort is the *bulwark* of this institution.

In addition we have many outstanding leaders in the professions, in business and in the creative arts. It is hard to name a calling in which one or more of our members has not made a significant contribution or is not regarded as prominent in the field. We have a number of eminent jurists among us. We have members of the bar with careers of distinction and renown. In the field of medicine we have some of the top men in their chosen specialities. In so many of the productive enterprises we have names which are bywords as representing unusually successful accomplishments.

Chairman of Board

EZRA COHEN

But most important of all,—we have in this Congregation a whol array of real leaders in *community service* and *philanthropy*. Mind you, this does not imply the matter of large donations, although there are plenty of those. This Synagogue furnishes leaders that head up the drives, the men and women who take on the real work. *They* serve on the innermost councils, where delicate matters of policy and planning are considered. They are a dominant influence in the success of so many of these enterprises and their establishment on a firm and lasting basis.

With this type of membership it would appear that this Synagogue should take its place, rightfully, as a potent cultural and moral force in the *community picture*, not only on the local level, but on the national and the international as well. Perhaps a development of this kind is somewhat overdue. Perhaps it has been retarded by circumstances. Perhaps it will soon unfold in natural sequence.

As you entered here this evening or during the *Rosh Hashanah* services you must have noticed the almost complete renovation of the entire interior building. The Lemberg Auditorium has been redecorated and modernized. The main auditorium and entrance lobbies have been cleansed of all the accumulated dust and grime which had settled over the years.

It was very interesting to watch how this was done. The scaffolding reached right up to the inner dome. The walls were brought back to nearly their original color by the use of *giant hand erasers*. Inch by inch and block by block, the masonry was rubbed clean and restored to a semblance of its former appearance.

As the process was being observed the thought did occur:—would it not be wonderful if the conflicts in our social relationships could be erased in a similar manner. Could not the same principle apply to past misgivings and misunderstandings so as to assure every possible cooperation in the outlook ahead.

In a very short time we hope to welcome to our midst our *new spiritual leaders*. It is hoped that their leadership will be *decisive in its unifying influence*. It is hoped that a *harmony will* prevail so that the broad potential that exists here will be fully developed. It is hoped that this leadership will function wisely

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Simhath Torah Honored

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The practice of honoring members of a congregation by designating them *Hathan Torah* and *Hathan Bereshith* originated from medieval Judaism and from a mystical thread within it. On *Simhath Torah,* the last day of the *Succoth* festival, the *Torah* cycle of the year is completed and then begun again. The last section and the first one are traditionally regarded as portions of importance and it is a practice to assign those portions to those individuals who either by their scholarship, or piety or service to the Jewish community, have merited public tribute.

The custom of honoring a *Kalah Mafteret* which was inaugurated eight years ago, is a tribute to an outstanding woman member of the Congregation, for conspicuous service rendered the Jewish community.

In regard to honoring a woman in this manner Park Avenue Synagogue is leading the nation's Jews in a direction which was inaugurated eight years ago by Rabbi Milton Steinberg, of Blessed Memory.

The citation to Nelson Ruttenberg will be presented by Joseph Howard Katz. Mr. Appleman's citation will be given by Harry Halbren and Mrs. Harry J. Sokolow will offer the citation to Mrs. Sigmund Siegel.

The persons honored by our Congregation were nominated in the first instance by the Ritual Committee under the Chairmanship of Sol Green and then approved by the Board of Trustees.

Mrs. Irwin Rome was named by Ezra Cohen, Chairman of the Board of Trustees to be in charge of the reception in the Lemberg Auditorium following the Services.

NELSON RUTTENBERG

Nelson Ruttenberg, is now serving as Treasurer of Park Avenue Synagogue, a member of the Board of Trustees, Chairman of the Synagogue's Bulletin Committee, the Catering Committee and the Nominating Committee. He is also a member of the Religious School Board where he has served for many years, a member of the Youth Activities Committee and the Committee on Planning as well as serving on the By-Laws Committee. Mr. Ruttenberg had also been a member of the Advisory Council. Those who know Nelson Ruttenberg will fully understand all the posts on which he serves receive the full benefit of his genuine and active participation.

Mr. Ruttenberg's active interest in Jewish affairs dates back to at least thirty years ago when he was a significant factor in promoting Zionist unity. He was for a while national president of the Jewish National Fund.

Mr. Ruttenberg is a graduate of New York University Law School; was a member of the New York State Legislature; had been a New York City Deputy Police Commissioner and was the first Counsel to the New York State Liquor Authority. For his years of devoted service to our Synagogue he is being named as Bridegroom of the *Torah* for *Simhath Torah* 5717.

NATHAN APPLEMAN

Nathan Appleman, comes to New York City from the Middlewest. He had resided in Tulsa, Oklahoma, then Wichita, Kansas until he came here a little more than a decade ago. Mr. Appleman has a wide range of Jewish, communal and philanthropic interests. He is a member of the Board of Trustees of Park Avenue Synagogue and also serves as a member of the Board at the Montefiore Hospital. Mr. Appleman is actively interested in the Jewish Agricultural Society also serving on their Board.

His Jewish communal interests find expression through the American Jewish Committee where he serves on the Executive Board and is also Chairman of the Joint Defense Appeal, Division of Foundation and Corporate Gifts through which the American Jewish Committee and B'nai B'rith receive much of their financial support. His welfare activities include serving on the Board of the Grand Street Settlement and also as a Director of the Baron de Hirsch Fund. Last year Mr. Appleman served as Associate Chairman of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies fund-raising drive.

He is a graduate of the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania.

For his generous philanthropic and sincere communal activities Mr. Appleman has been named as Bridegroom of the Beginning of *Simhath Torah* 5717.

MRS. SIGMUND SIEGEL

Phyllis (Mrs. Sigmund) Siegel is one of the excellent young leaders of the Synagogue who has made a consistent and diligent contribution to the work of Park Avenue Synagogue.

Mrs. Sigmund Siegel is currently Chairman of the Synagogue Planning Committee, Chairman of the Religious

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APPLEMAN CHAPEL SCULPTURED ARK DOORS

In the building of the Milton Steinberg House one of the unique features consists in its Chapel. There one can see a beautifully sculptured set of sliding Ark doors made of molten alloys by the well-known sculptor Calvin Albert.

The Appleman Chapel is one of the areas which was dedicated during the *Yom Kippur* Services this year. It was so named in honor of its donor, one of our members and a member of the Board of Trustees, Nathan Appleman.

Major Areas of Milton Steinberg House Dedicated on Yom Kippur

During the *Yom Kippur* services, Rabbi Moshe Davis, assisted by Rabbi David C. Kogen and Hazzan David J. Putterman, dedicated several of the main areas of the Milton Steinberg House.

The Heller Facade, recognized as one of the most modern stained glass window fronts, was presented by Rose and William Heller, in memory of our late revered Rabbi Milton Steinberg.

The Cohen Library, located on the second floor, was presented by Mr. and Mrs. Isidore M. Cohen and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph H. Cohen in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Israel Cohen, Mr. and Mrs. Hyman A. Levey and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Junger.

The Lemberg Auditorium, recently beautifully redecorated, was presented by Samuel and Lucille Lemberg in memory of Samuel and Yetta Friedelson.

The Appleman Chapel, already the scene of many weddings and religious services, was presented by Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Appleman.

Sisterhood of the Park Avenue Synagogue presented the Lounge adjoining the Lemberg Auditorium.

The classrooms included in the dedication were the following:

Room 202—The Ostriker Classroom presented by Al and Clara Ostriker in memory of Rabbi Milton Steinberg.

Room 203—The Gevirtz Classroom, presented by Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Gevirtz in memory of Allen Maurice Gevirtz.

Room 300—The Wimpfheimer Classroom, presented by Dr. Seymour Wimpfheimer in honor of Victorine Kops Wimpfheimer, his wife.

Room 302—The Haft Classroom, presented by Mr. and Mrs. Morris W. Haft, Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Haft and Mr. and Mrs. Jules Haft.

Room 303—The Sherr Classroom, presented by the Sherr family in memory of Ethel Sherr.

Room 401 — The Cohen-Horowitz Classroom, presented by Judge and Mrs. Sanford H. Cohen and Mr. and Mrs. Saul Horowitz, in memory of their parents.

Room 402—The Block-Halbren Classroom, presented by Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Block and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Halbren in memory of their parents.

The Classroom presented by the Men's Club of the Park Avenue Synagogue has not as yet been designated and will be dedicated at a later date.

Planning Committee Presents Program

Mrs. Sigmund Siegel, Chairman of the Planning Committee, recently appointed by Ezra Cohen, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, presented a program of Synagogue activities for the 75th Diamond Jubilee Year, which was unanimously approved by the entire Board.

The main events as planned include the following:

Sunday Afternoon—October 14
Reception by Board of Trustees honoring new members.

Sunday Evening—December 2
Hanukah Party

Sunday Evening—January 13
Annual Congregational Dinner Meeting

Saturday Evening—March 15
Congregational *Purim* Party

SUNDAY EVENING — MARCH 31
DIAMOND JUBILEE DINNER-DANCE AT SHERATON-ASTOR

Friday Evening—April 5
Rabbi Milton Steinberg 7th *Yahrzeit*

The committess to be appointed for each of these functions will represent all the affiliate groups of the Synagogue. In this way, the entire Congregation will be participating in each of the planned activities. It is hoped that the members will schedule these events and make arrangements to be present at all of them.

Sisterhood Federation Campaign Started

Mrs. Samuel Gellert has again undertaken the chairmanship of Park Avenue Synagogue Sisterhood in behalf of the campaign of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies for 1956

Under her leadership, Mrs. Gellert has succeeded in enlisting the aid of many volunteer workers in securing contributions to Federation—the Jewish Community chest.

At a meeting of her workers, Mrs. Gellert expressed the hope that each volunteer would contact her prospects and secure her contributions as soon as possible. The 116 agencies of Federation depend upon the funds contributed to the 1956 campaign and it is our duty to give them our wholehearted support.

Religious School News

By MARTIN LEICHTLING, *Principal*

New Hebrew Students To Be Honored

The entering class in the Hebrew Department of the Religious School will be honored in a special Consecration Service to be held at the synagogue in conjunction with *Simchat Torah* service on Thursday evening, September 27, at 5:30 P.M.

The new students will be presented to the congregation by Mrs. Sigmund Siegel, Chairman of the School Board and by the Principal, Martin Leichtling. Rabbi David C. Kogen will bless the students and give each of them a miniature *Torah* scroll and an inscribed certificate to commemorate the event. The parents of our new students will then repeat the blessing giving thanks that their children had reached the significant moment in their lives—the beginning of their formal Hebrew education.

Refreshments and holiday flags will be distributed to all the children who attend the services.

The following newly-enrolled students in the Hebrew Department will be honored:

CLASS 1A: Jan Cornell, Janice Fields, Joseph Goldin, Patricia Levine, Kenneth Levy, Jon Meadow, Sande Milton, Donald Rubin, Lee Rosenbaum, Terese Stern, Jonathan Towers.

CLASS 1B: Rhoda Epstein, Lawrence Feinberg, Alan Fleschner, Paul Forster, Peter Goll, Steven Heller, Douglas Kahn, Jonathan Katz, Arthur Rose, Jon Rosenblatt, Charles Salzberg, Barbara Scherr, Anthony Schnelling, Andrew Weinstein.

CLASS 1M: Dolores Blum, Jeffrey Dell, Robert Heksch, James Meltzer, William Mutterperl, Stephen Siegel, Claire Simon, Kenneth Shorenstein, Richard Stein, Paul Turner, Ilene Zenker.

Succoth Services

Succoth Services for the students of the Religious School will be conducted in the Appleman Chapel at 10:00 A.M. on September 20, 21 and 27. Irving Spielman, who conducted the High Holy Day services for our students at the Jewish Museum, will conduct services on each of these festival mornings. He will be assisted by members of the Relgious School.

After the services the students will have an opportunity to visit the *Succah* and partake of the refreshments.

Kertzer To Address Sisterhood, Tuesday Sept. 25

MRS. LILLIAN GRANETTS

Sisterhood of the Park Avenue Synagogue will initiate a spectacular series of programs on Tuesday, September 25, with some interesting observations by Rabbi Morris N. Kertzer on "A Jew in Soviet Russia."

Rabbi Kertzer, who recently returned from that country, was one of a group of eight rabbis selected to survey Jewish religious facilities in Soviet Russia. Dr. Kertzer has lectured extensively in the field of interfaith problems and religious education. He has spoken frequently to the people behind the Iron Curtain over the "Voice of America." He has traveled in Europe, Asia and Africa, before and during the last war, and has visited Israel several times.

Rabbi Kertzer was the only Jewish Chaplain to serve on the Anzio Beachhead in Italy in World War II and was among the first to enter Rome with the allied forces. His meritorious achievement won him the Bronze Star Medal.

He is the author of "With an H on My Dog Tag", the only book portraying the role of the Jewish soldier in the liberation of European Jewry. His book, "What is a Jew?" which appeared in condensed form in "*Look*" magazine and "*Reader's Digest*", is in its fifth printing and has received very wide attention.

From September, 1946 to May, 1949, Rabbi Kertzer was associate rabbi of the Park Avenue Synagogue. He is now Director of Interreligious Activities Division of the America Jewish Committee and also serves as Secretary to the New York Board of Rabbis.

We are very fortunate to be one of the first groups to hear this most interesting lecture. All are welcome. Luncheon will be served to members and guests at 12 Noon in the Lemberg Auditorium.

Political Forum, Tuesday Evening, October 23

Monroe Heyward, Program Chairman of the Men's Club requested all Congregants to mark their calendars for this event when major candidates for political office appear at the Synagogue to express their views.

Ezra Cohen Message

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and effectively so as to provide a fully active and meaningful future.

There should be no *lessening* of dedication because of *any* bygone *differences* or *misunderstandings*. The task before us *transcends any* personal feeling no matter what the depth of disagreement may have been.

Our sights should not be narrowed. The heritage handed down these 75 years must *be preserved*,—it *should be augmented* and *then* passed on to those who will take up where we leave off. With full appreciation for the blessings of the past, with a fervent prayer for divine guidance in the future, we face our destiny with optimism and determination.

And so for the New Year, our Diamond Jubilee year, from your Board of Trustees and Advisory Council, our very best wishes for a Year of Happiness, a Year of Vigor and a Year of Fulfillment.

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School Board of Park Avenue Synagogue as well as a member of the Advisory Council to the Board of Trustees, the youth and library committees. She is past President of the Park Avenue Synagogue Sisterhood and is now serving as Chairman of the Sisterhood's annual fund-raising event.

Outside of our Synagogue she is serving as Co-Chairman of greater New York for the United Jewish Appeal and is a member of its Advisory Board and campaign cabinet.

These major activities are somehow sandwiched in between taking care of two young sons and being married to an active surgeon. Her college is Vassar, plus a Phi Beta Kappa distinction.

It is with real pride and pleasure that Phyllis Siegel, for her devotion and dedication, has been named our Bride of the Prophetic Message for *Simhath Torah* 5717.

Condolences

Mrs. J. Kahn—death of husband Jules Kahn

Congratulations

Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Miliheiser—Birth of granddaughter Nancy Meg
Mrs. and Mrs. Louis Heller—Birth of daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Heller — Birth of granddaughter, Mrs. Louis Heller—Birth of great granddaughter
Dr. and Mrs. Jacob Buckstein—Marriage of daughter Barbara Ann to Mr. Richard Rambach Green
Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Haft—Engagement of son Burt Stephen to Marcia Foster Hausman
Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Cohen—Engagement of son Arthur to Elaine Lustig
Dr. and Mrs. Harry Gold—Marriage of daughter Naomi to Norbert Steinberger

Bar Mitzvah

Jay Greenfield, the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Greenfield was *Bar Mitzvah* at the Synagogue on Saturday morning, September 22.

Jay is an excellent student both at Horace Mann and in our Religious School. He will continue his studies in the Hebrew Department during the coming year as a student in our special fourth year class.

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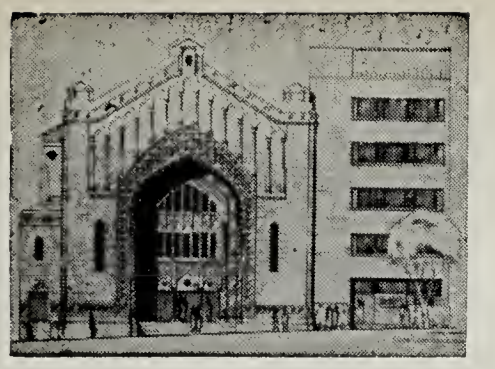

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Dr. Mordecai M. Kaplan and Dr. Israel Goldstein, Guest Speakers, To Launch Jubilee Friday Evening Services

Guest Speaker

DR. MORDECAI M. KAPLAN

The late Friday Evening Services of the Park Avenue Synagogue in celebration of its 75th Diamond Jubilee year will be launched on Friday evening, October 26 at 8:30 P.M. Dr. Mordecai M. Kaplan, founder of the Jewish Reconstructionist Movement and recognized as an outstanding religious philosopher in the American Jewish community, will be our guest speaker that evening. Dr. Kaplan's topic is "Needed: A *Genuine* Jewish Religious Upsurge."

Only recently, Dr. Kaplan celebrated his 75th birthday at which time he was honored at a Testimonial Dinner tendered to him in recognition of his great contribution to American Jewry. His views on Judaism have been brought to every Jewish community in ths country as well as in Israel, both by word as well as by pen. As author of "Judaism as a Civilization", "Judaism in Transition", "The Future of the American Jew", and "The Meaning of God in Modern Jewish Religion", Dr. Kaplan has eludicated his conception of Jewish life.

Recently, the Jewish Agency published his work "A New Zionism" reflecting his views on the essential changes that must be introduced into the content of Zionism both in this country and in Israel.

He has co-authored with other leaders of the Reconstructionist Movement, a new Sabbath Prayer Book, a new Hagadah, a new High Holiday Prayer Book and The Faith of America.

Dr. Kaplan, who is the Founder of the Society for the Advancement of Judaism, is also Professor of Philosophics of Religion at the Jewish Theological Seminary

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SCHEDULE OF RELIGIOUS SERVICES

Friday Evening, October 19 ..... 6:00 P.M.

Saturday Morning, October 20 ..... 9:30 A.M.

Rabbi Kogen will preach "The Vigor of Israel"

Friday Evening, October 26 ..... 8:30 P.M.

Dr. Mordecai M. Kaplan, guest speaker
"Needed: A Genuine Jewish Religious Upsurge"

Saturday Morning, October 27 ..... 9:30 A.M.

Rabbi Kogen will preach "Father and Son"

Friday Evening, November 2 ..... 8:30 P.M.

Dr. Israel Goldstein, guest speaker
"An American View of Israel"

Saturday Morning, November 3 ..... 9:30 A.M.

Guest Speaker

DR. ISRAEL GOLDSTEIN

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From the Desk of The Bulletin Chairman

According to a recent survey brought to our attention by Mr. Benjamin Sack, a members of our Board of Trustees, and who also serves on the Board of Directors and the Executive Committee of RIAL, (Religion in American Life) the American people set an all-time church attendance record last year.

Although a comparison with the average attendance figures for previous years shows an amazing increase in church going during the past fifteen years, we, as Jews, cannot take much comfort from this resurgence of religious worship. Insofar as Jewish worship attendance is concerned, the survey figures are disappointing. Catholics were found to be more faithful to their church attendance than Protestants, and Protestants attended their churches more often than those of the Jewish faith. The survey indicated that only 27% of those of the Jewish faith regularly attended synagogues as against 74% of the Catholic faith who were church goers.

To those of us who are more regular in our synagogue attendance, these figures are not surprising. Except on the High Holidays, it is a common sight to see merely a handful of worshippers in attendance at our religious services. On special occasions, when a *Bar Mitzvah* takes place, or Memorial Services are held, there is a varying degree of increase in the attendance, but the empty seats that usually face our religious leaders on the pulpit present a lamentable sight.

Our religious institutions represent a tremendous investment and are available during the entire year. Attendance on the High Holidays should not be regarded as the beginning and the end of our religious worship. Each of us can help to increase the percentage figures now listed for those of the Jewish faith, and more important, enjoy the spiritual benefits that follow, by attending our religious services more often than we have in the past.

Let us start now!

A Message From Our Baal Tekiah

"Give Heed To The Sound Of The Shofar —
The Mystic Voice Is Speaking

What does the blowing of the *Shofar* mean to you, and what does it mean to us as modern people?

I have been giving you the answer in this congregation for the last fifteen years with the mystic blast of the *Tekiah*, a call to reawaken your slumbering soul, so that its voice will guide you through the darkness and perplexities of our time.

It is a call to awaken you from the sleep of selfishness and greed, and to lead you to the road of rightousness and mercy. It is the call to reawaken those who have abandoned the truth, and to arouse ourselves from the petty trivialities and selfish insignificance of our lives..

The mystic voice of the *Shofar* is a call of God to us, asking us to open our eyes wide and look around us to see how mankind suffers and to help those who stretch forth their arms in a plea for our help.

It is also a call to free those who are enslaved by the forces of darkness; to bring them forth to peace and freedom.

The last call of the *Tekiah Gedolah* is a call to those who are about to perish; to bring them forth to the Kingdom of God.

Happy are they who heed the sounds of the *Shofar* for they shall have a happy and prosperous New Year.

From your *Baal Tekiah*,
ISIDOR HAHN

Memorial Contributions

Recently, Mrs. Charles Lipkowitz, the mother of Mrs. Aaron Giat, one of the members of the Park Avenue Synagogue, passed away.

We are happy to record the receipt of several contributions in memory of the deceased, all of which were sent in by her friends who were non Jews. This tribute to the memory of a person of a different faith by those who had daily contact with her is an item well worth recording in the pages of this BULLETIN.

One Month — 11 Days to
SISTERHOOD BRUNCH *and* "AUNTIE MAME"
NOVEMBER 28, 1956

Time is fleeting and you must contact your prospects to make sure they will be there, otherwise you will be doing them a great injustice.

The rave notices from the out-of-town papers refer to the performance of "Auntie Mame" in the following language: "Roz Russell's Auntie Mame wins Rahs"; "Auntie Mame is one of the most hilarious satires of the past quarter of a century. In its entirety, Russell's Auntie Mame rollicks, frolics, bounces, flounces, jingles, tingles, dashes and smashes its way to a sure fire hit."

We all want to join in the spirit of Sisterhood's Birthday of Sixty-and-one. Plan to be with us. Please send your checks to Mrs. Irwin Rome, 180 East 79th Street. Besides, you may be the lucky winner of a colored television set which is the door prize.

Sisterhood's Program For 1956-1957 Season

This year Sisterhood of the Park Avenue Synagogue will present a galaxy of outstanding attractions.

All members are urged to attend every meeting. You may bring your friends and be assured that a warm welcome awaits you. The luncheon meetings will be held at 12 Noon in the Sisterhood Lounge.

The following events have been scheduled:

October 16—Pearl Groothius
"Most Happy Fella" (Musical Review)

November 20—Dr. Ben Carruthers
"Latin America Next Stop" (Slides and Commentary)

January 15—Helen Worth
"Cooking is fun in Any Language" (Demonstration and Recipes)

February 19—Delephine Kreilsheimer
"Unknown America" (Color Transparencies and Chatter)

March 19—Lester Slatoff
"Interior Decoration" (Exhibit from His Own Collection)

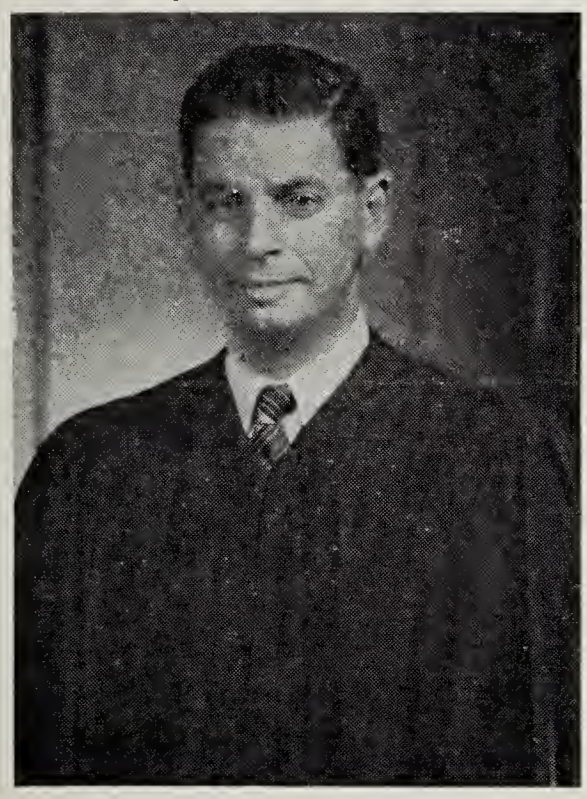
April 9—Mrs. Edward Kolor
"Flowers Go Native" (Flower Arrangements)

May 21—Mrs. Juliet Benton
"At the Top of the List" (Book Review of a Best Seller)

Judge Millard L. Midonick Seeks Election

Municipal Court Justice Millard L. Midonick, who is seeking election to the Municipal Court for the 9th Municipal Court District in Manhattan, is a member of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

Municipal Court Candidate



MILLARD L. MIDONICK

He now occupies the Municipal Court bench by virtue of his appointment in April 1956 by Mayor Robert F. Wagner, Jr.

Foster Homes Sought

The Jewish Child Care Association of New York has requested that we publish the following item in our BULLETIN.

It is hard to believe, but there are Jewish children in New York City who are kept waiting for the love and security of family living they so urgently need because of a shortage of foster homes. This delay adds to the burden of the children whose own homes have been visited by misfortune.

The most urgent need is for foster homes for babies. These children are not for adoption. There is a monthly board payment of $65 for children this age. In addition, medical care, clothing and other essentials are provided.

For further information about this vital service to children, which more than 800 Jewish foster mothers and fathers now find so challenging and rewarding, please get in touch with the Foster Home Department of the Jewish Child Care Association of New York at 329 East 62nd Street, New York 21, telephone: TEmpleton 8-4500.

Wagner and Javits Lead Speakers at Men's Club Political Forum, October 23

Ladies Invited To Attend

By HARVEY GLASSER

The Men's Club of Park Avenue Synagogue will hold its 9th Annual Political Forum on Tuesday evening, October 23 at 8:30 P.M. in the Lemberg Auditorium of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

The roster of political candidates expected to appear will be headed by Mayor Robert F. Wagner, Jr., the candidate of the Democratic and Liberal Parties for the United States Senate, and New York State Attorney General, Jacob Javits, the candidate of the Republican Party.

Milton Sivek, President of Men's Club, will again act as Moderator of an evening of political debate which should be most stimulating and exciting. During the course of the evening, candidates for various important political and judicial office in this area will be present.

Among those who have planned to attend are Representative Frederick R. Coudert, Jr., (Republican) of the 17th Congressional District and his opponent Anthony B. Akers (Democratic and Liberal); State Senator MacNeil Mitchell (Republican) of the 20th Senatorial District and his opponent Mrs. Eleanor Clark French (Democratic and Liberal); Municipal Court Justice Maxwell Shapiro (Republican) and Congressman Irwn D. Davidson (Democratic and Liberal) both of whom are candidates for several vacancies in the Court of General Sessions of the County of New York; Municipal Court Justice Millard L. Midonick (Democratic and Liberal) and his opponent Charles Whitman, Jr. (Republican) both of whom are seeking the position of Municipal Court Justice for the 9th Municipal Court District, Manhattan; Assemblyman John R. Brook (Republican), 9th Assembly District and his opponent Miss Alice Sachs (Democratic and Liberal).

All ladies are cordially invited to attend this outstanding political forum conducted by the Men's Club.

Judge Maxwell Shapiro, Candidate for Court of General Sessions

Municipal Court Justice Maxwell Shapiro, a member of the Park Avenue Synagogue, is a candidate for one of the vacancies now existing in the Court of General Sessions, County of New York. Judge Shapiro, who has served on the Municipal Court bench since January, 1951 when he was elected, has also been an active and devoted member of the Men's Club of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

General Sessions Candidate

MAXWELL SHAPIRO

Prior to his election to the Municipal Court, he had a long career as a trial attorney in private practice as well as during his service as an assistant United States attorney for the Southern District of New York.

"Ladies Night" Saturday, November 10

This is advance notice of a major event to be presented by the Men's Club. The theme of the evening will be South America and will feature Latin-American music, food and entertainment.

Guest Speakers

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with which he has been associated for almost five decades.

At the following Friday evening Service on November 2 at 8:30 P.M., Dr. Israel Goldstein will be our guest speaber. His subject will be "An American View of Israel."

The date is an important one in the history of our Jewish people, for it was on November 2, 1917, that the Balfour Declaration was issued by the British Government, the first recognition by a modern nation of the Jewish claim to Palestine as a national homeland.

Dr. Goldstein is President of the American Jewish Congress, Chairman of the World Jewish Congress Western Hemisphere Executive, President of Jewish Conciliation Board of America, Member of the Jewish Agency Executive and Honorary President of the Jewish National Fund of America in addition to serving on many Boards of other institutions with which he is identified.

Some of the writings of Dr. Goldstein include "A Century of Judaism in New York", "Toward a Solution", "Shanah b'Yisrael", "Brandeis University—Chapter of Its Founding", "American Jewry Comes of Age"; he is also a contributor to the Encyclopedia Brittanica Yearbook, Universal Jewish Encyclopedia and Encyclopedia Hebraica.

The activities of Dr. Goldstein fill almost every field of Jewish life and communal endeavor. Formerly Treasurer of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, President of the Synagogue of America, President of the Zionist Organization of America, President of the Jewish National Fund of America. President of the World Confederation of General Zionists, as well as a Member of the United States National Labor Relations Board, United States Consultant at the San Francisco Conference to establish the United Nations and Chairman of the Jewish Sections and also Chairman of the Jewish Section of British War Relief in America.

The Israel Goldstein Youth Village named in his honor in Jerusalem was established by the World Confederation of General Zionists. At the present time, Israel Goldstein Chapel is being erected by the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

Dr. Goldstein has been the Rabbi of Congregation B'nai Jeshurun since 1918 and received the degree of Doctor of Divinity (honoris causa) from the Jewish Theological Seminary of America in 1945.

We are grateful to both Dr. Kaplan and Dr. Goldstein for their graciousness in assisting the Park Avenue Synagogue in the initiation of its late Friday evening Service during this Diamond Jubilee year.

Rabbi David C. Kogen will continue to function temporarily with Hazzan David J. Putterman officiating, assisted by the Synagogue choir and George Crook, the organist.

Sefer Torahs Donated

Recently, Arthur Cohen, son of Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Cohen, was married in our Synagogue to Elaine Lustig. In honor of the marriage of their son, they have graciously donated a *Sefer Torah* to the Synagogue.

Mrs. Sol Green, the wife of Sol Green, Chairman of our Ritual Committee has also made a contribution towards the purchase of a *Sefer Torah.*

We wish to express our thanks and gratitude for this manifestation of their continued loyalty to the Synagogue and their religious devotion.

At the recent meeting of the Board of Trustees, a special committee was appointed to consider the manner of approaching members of the Synagogue who may be desirous of contributing towards the purchase of religious articles now required by the Park Avenue Synagogue. If any person is interested in making this type of donation in memory of his beloved ones, please communicate with Emanuel Rosenthal at the Synagogue office, EN 9-2600.

REMINDER

One Month — 11 Days to

SISTERHOOD BRUNCH *and*

"AUNTIE MAME"

NOVEMBER 28, 1956

New Honors to General Krulewitch

Brigadier General Melvin L. Krulewitch, vice-chairman of the Board of Trustees, and the first member of the Jewish faith to be appointed to this rank in the Marine Corps Reserve has been appointed to the rank of Major General.

Appointed Major General

GEN. MELVIN L. KRULEWITCH

It was about a year ago that General Krulewitch was honored by President Eisenhower, when he was designated to the highest military post ever accorded a Jew in the U. S. Marine Corps, and this recent recognition of his military service is a well deserved trbute. We take pride in this new honor which has come to one of our members.

Israeli Ceremonial Objects Available to Congregants

By IRMA HELLER

Do you wish to make every Holiday a special event? If so, we suggest that you look at the many objects on display in the lobby of the Milton Steinberg House.

Among the many objects on display are *Mezuzahs*, spice boxes, candlesticks and *Hanukah Menorahs* and many other items from Israel. In addition to these there are also available, *kiddush* cups, prayer books, *Talaisim, Talis* bags and *Yahrzeit* lamps. All appropriate birthday and anniversary gifts.

If you are interested in becoming a collector of Israeli ceremonial objects, we suggest that you look at our display of these articles, many of which will serve as beautiful adornments in your home, as well as give spiritual dignity

New Synagogue Members Greeted By Board of Trustees

One of the largest groups of new members to join the ranks of the Park Avenue Synagogue in the past decade was greeted by the Board of Trustees and the members of the Advisory Council at a reception held Sunday afternoon, October 14, in the Lemberg Auditorium.

A spirit of warmth and hospitality dominated the occasion and contributed to the joviality of the guests. Each member was personally greeted and introduced to others present and in that way, mere strangers soon became old friends. General Melvin L. Krulewitch, Vice-Chairman of the Board, thanked Mrs. Harry J. Sokolow, who was in charge of the arrangements, refreshments and decorations, for having made this an outstanding event in Park Avenue Synagogue activities.

Those who joined since June 1 of this year, included the following:

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Altman
Mrs. Nettie Bases
Mr. and Mrs. Elias Bayer
Mr. and Mrs. Elias Bloomgarden
Mr. and Mrs. Herman J. Bronstein
Dr. Herbert Cooperman
Mrs. George Dubrow
Mr. Irwin M. Dubrow
Mr. Paul L. Ellis
Mr. and Mrs. Charles K. Emma
Mr. and Mrs. Edward H. Endelson
Mr. Albert Fargot
Mr. and Mrs. Jacob J. Fass
Mrs. Dora Fass
Mr. James Filler
Mr. and Mrs. Harry Fox
Mr. and Mrs. Myron M. Froelich
Mr. and Mrs. Louis Gardner
Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin E. Gaynes
Mr. and Mrs. Abraham E. Goll
Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Greene
Mr. and Mrs. Henry S. Greenfield
Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel Honig
Mrs. Renee Hurtig
Mrs. Lena Jacobs
Mr. David Judson
Mr. and Mrs. Morris L. Judson
Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kaufman
Mr. and Mrs. Reuben R. Kaufman
Mr. and Mrs. Albert Knitzer
Mrs. Martin Koenig
Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kurzweil
Mr. and Mrs. Jules Levey
Mr. and Mrs. Kalman Leviant
Mr. and Mrs. William Mack
Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. Mallin
Dr. and Mrs. Arnold Mandel
Hon. and Mrs. Millard L. Midonick
Dr. and Mrs. Jerome S. Mittleman
Mr. and Mrs. Leon Natanson
Mrs. Celia Nathanson
Mr. and Mrs. Roy Penzell
Dr. and Mrs. Leon Pordy
Mr. and Mrs. William Prokocimer
Mr. and Mrs. Meyer H. Putterman
Mr. and Mrs. David Rapoport
Mr. and Mrs. Theodore T. Rose
Mr. and Mrs. Nat Rosenberg
Mr. and Mrs. Carl Sadowsky
Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sadowsky
Dr. and Mrs. Milton R. Sapirstein
Mr. and Mrs. Fred L. Schaefer
Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schneider
Mr. and Mrs. Norman A. Schorr
Dr. and Mrs. Daniel Schube
Mr. and Mrs. George M. Schwartz
Mr. and Mrs. Ted Segal
Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Seligman
Mr. and Mrs. Max L. Shulman
Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Silbert
Mrs. Aida D. Spilo
Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Siskin
Mr. and Mrs. Jacques Traubee
Mr. and Mrs. Joe Weinstein
Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Weiss
Mr. and Mrs. Norman S. Zenker
Dr. and Mrs. Louis Zimmerman
Mr. Louis Zucker

In addition to the above, those members who became affiliated in 1955 were also included in the reception.

Mr. Harry J. Sokolow, chairman of the Membership Committee, who welcomed the guests, reported that this was the largest number of new members who have jointed the congregation at this time of our religious year during the past ten years. Despite the increasing number of younger people who have been compelled to give up their membership because of their removal to suburban areas, the general turnover has not exceeded that in previous years to any extent, due to the unusually large number of new members who have joined since June 1 of this year.

The total membership at this time of year is about the same, and the prospects for a larger membership is most promising, in view of the number of applications still pending before the Membership Committee. With the extensive program proposed by the Planning Committee for our Diamond Jubilee Year, it is hoped that our total membership will exceed that of previous years.

Religious School News

By MARTIN LEICHTLING, *Principal*

The Board of Education of the Metropolitan Council of the United Synagogue awards special honors to students in the Congregational schools in the metropolitan area. This awards system is only one of the many techniques devised by the Metropolitan Council to raise the standards in our religious schools.

The Achievement Award is granted to a student in the religious school who maintains a high scholastic standing in three areas of study; Hebrew, Jewish History and Customs and Ceremonies. A student who wins an achievement award during three of his years in the religious school then becomes eligible for membership in the all-city Honor Society—the *Keter Torah* or Crown of the *Torah.*

Achievement Awards

Annual Achievement Awards for the year ending, June 1956 were granted to:

CLASS 1: Ralph Bien, Beth Brown, Jeffrey Clyman, Michael Fein, Elizabeth Field, Jerome Kaiser, Pascal Kaplan, Sonya Kaufman, Georgia Kingson, Bruce Merrit, Susan Nussbaum, Phyllis Pollner, Joel Schore and Rita Sherr.

CLASS 2: Elliot Bien, Stephen Eisenberg, Pamela Foa, Willa Grauer, Joan Helpern, Carol Hoexter, Joan Hoexter, Stanley Kurzweil, Gerald Miller, Gerald Politzer, George Pollack, Diana Reeve, Helen Rosenblum, Sheldon Steinbach and Irene Steiner.

CLASS 3: Stephen Dell, Tomi Deutsch, Jeffrey Mehlman, Jonathan Ostriker, Daniel Ritey, Renee Stern and Richard Weisberg.

CLASS 4: Inez Fields and Charles Kaiser.

Attendance Awards

Annual Attendance Awards for the year ending June 1956 were granted to:

Leonard Aronson, Ralph Eininger, Jerry Gemski, Emil Gemski, Stanley Goldring, Simeon Grater, Steven Hulsch, Harvey Kohn, Joseph Mishkin, Bernard Nemeroff, Kenneth Perlman, Mark Siegel and Jonathan Stowe.

Addendum

Jonathan Altman and Bonnie Zabor should be added to the list of new students in the school who participated in the Consecration Ceremony at *Simchat Torah.*

Coming Events of Parents Association

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

At a recent meeting of the Evecutive Board of the Parents Association of the Park Avenue Synagogue, Mrs. Sam Deutsch, chairman of the Executive Board, announced that the first event of the current season would be a luncheon in honor of mothers of children entering the Religious School for the first time. This luncheon will be held on Tuesday, October 23, at 1 P.M. in the Sisterhood Lounge. Mrs. Joseph E. Rubinstein, chairman of this function, and Mrs. Albert Siegel, co-chairman, will be in charge of arrangements.

Plans were also announced for the first open meeting of the Parents Association to be held Tuesday evening, November 20. At this time, parents will have an opportunity to meet the teachers of the Religious School and to hear Mr. Martin Leichtling, its principal.

Mrs. Leon Klein, who has successfully conducted the annual Book Fair for several years, will once again be chairman of this event. She will be assisted by Mrs. Charles Weisberg and Mrs. Albert Siegel, her co-chairmen. The Book Fair will be held from Sunday, November 11 through November 20, and will afford parents and children an opportunity to purchase Jewish books, records of Jewish music, as well as a variety of gifts for the Holiday season.

Mrs. Deutsch also announced the appointment of the following committee chairmen:

Class Mothers: Mrs. Joseph E. Rubinstein, chairman, Mrs. Paul Miller, co-chairman;

Holiday Observances: Mrs. Stanley Simon, chairman,

Hospitality: Mrs. Frank Bergman, chairman, Mrs. Jack Kurzweil, co-chairman,

Publicity: Mrs. Nelson Ruttenberg, chairman,

Program: Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer, chairman, Mrs. Hector Ritey, co-chairman,

Membership: Mrs. Harry Zucker, chairman, Mrs. Nelson Ruttenberg, co-chairman,

Delegates to U.P.A.: Mr. Edward Kayc, Mrs. Jack Hoexter.

In addition to the foregoing, a special committee of volunteers to assist in the Cohen Library in the Milton Steinberg House was formed, consisting of Mrs. Frank Bergman and Mrs. Bruno Foa.

Sisterhood News

By MRS. SAUL GRANETTS

Sisterhood's open luncheon meeting held Tuesday afternoon, October 16 in the Sisterhood Lounge provided an unusual and delightful entertainment.

Pearl Groothius, the charming mezzo-soprano, who previously had delighted us with her condensed version of "Carousel" gave us the same entertaining treatment of "Most Happy Fella". We were most fortunate in having Mrs. Groothius as our guest, for she possesses many talents and has found a perfect outlet in giving dramatic presentations of popular Broadway Musicales. Her "One Woman Show", has thrilled her audiences wherever she has appeared.

The next luncheon to be held by Sisterhood will take place on Tuesday, November 20, at which time Dr. Ben Carruthers will be the guest speaker. The subject he has chosen "Latin America—Next Stop!" is one about which he has had considerable experience, having served as social scientist and Public Relations Counsel in the Secretariat of the Pan American Union and the Unted Nations. Put this date on your calendar and attend this most delightful and interesting program.

Men's Club News

By HARVEY GLASSER

The Men's Club of Park Avenue Synagogue plans to hold regular meetings this year on the fourth Tuesday of each month except during the months of December and May, at which times the meeting will be held on the third Tuesday of these months.

Milton Sivek, President of the Men's Club has announced that Nelson Ruttenberg has been designated to fill a vacancy on the Board of Trustees for a term of three years expiring in 1959.

The President also announced the following appointment of Committee Chairmen: Projects—Harry Dubin; Hospitality—Jacob W. Boorstein and Julian Jacobs; Publicity—Harvey Glasser.

Condolences

Mrs. Bernard Weintraub—death of brother Abraham I. Menin
Mrs. Jack Kurzweil—death of father
Mrs. M. Sander—death of husband Monroe Sander
Mrs. Aaron Giat—death of mother Anne Lipkowitz
Hazzan David J. Putterman and Meyer H. Putterman—death of mother Minnie Putterman

Congratulations

Mr. & Mrs. Samuel Haft—birth of grandson Eric David Haft
Mr. & Mrs. Abraham M. Weinberg —Marriage of son Robert to Patricia Wendy Yates of London
Mrs. S. Paperny Newell—birth of grandson Steven Richard Blauner
Mr. Bernard Weinflash—upon his marriage to Ruth Stupell
Mr. Louis M. Friedman—Bar Mitzvah of grandson Danny Friedman, Jr.
Mr. Jacob Friedman — birthday — October 15
Mr. & Mrs. Jacob Klein—wedding anniversary—October 25
Mr. & Mrs. Samuel Kaplan—40th wedding anniversary—October 29
Mr. & Mrs. I. M. Cohen—Marriage of son Arthur to Elaine Lustig
Raphael B. Arzt, a teacher of our Religious School, upon his engagement to Rosalind Newman
Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Schoenbaum—Marriage of daughter Rita to Hershel Post

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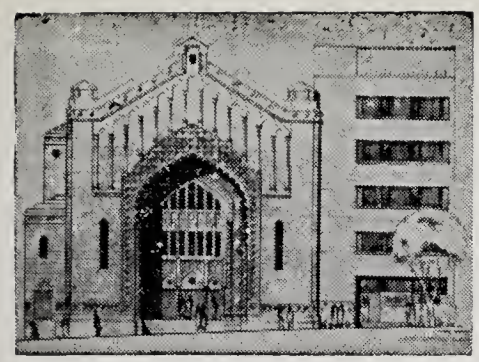

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Bride's Room Donated By Sisterhood

The Sisterhood of Park Avenue Synagogue officially presented its gift of the Bride's Room to the Synagogue at the cocktail party tendered to new members on October 14. This project, under the chairmanship of Mrs. Harry J. Sokolow, was exhibited to all those present who were most enthusiastic in their comments.

Ethel Sivek, interior decorator, designed the room and adjoining bath for use by bridal parties as a dressing room. It was executed in a gay and light mood in order to capture the spirit of a wedding day. The furnishings selected are a blending of French and contemporary periods. Fabrics and wallpaper have been specially treated to withstand wear.

The funds for the construction and decor of this area were provided by the Sisterhood and Ethel Sivek contributed her services.

You are all invited to see it —at the left of the stage—in the Lemberg Auditorium.

RESERVE THIS DATE
CONGREGATIONAL HANUKKAH PARTY
SUNDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 2
LEMBERG AUDITORIUM

Dr. Max Arzt, Guest Speaker, at Friday Evening Services, Nov. 9

Doctor Max Arzt, Vice-Chancellor of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America since 1951, will be the guest speaker at the Friday Evening Services at the Park Avenue Synagogue, to be held Friday, November 9 at 8:30 P.M. He has chosen for his topic "A Scholar and A Saint."

At present, Doctor Arzt is serving as Associate Professor of Practical Theology on the faculty of the Rabbinical School of the Seminary and also as Associate of the Seminar on Religion at Columbia University.

Prior to his appointment as Vice-Chancellor at the Seminary, Doctor Arzt served as Director of Field Service and Activities, a post to which he was named in 1939. He served as president of the Rabbinical Assembly of America in 1939. A former vice-president of the Synagogue Council of America, he is now a member of its Administrative Committee, as well as a member of the Executive Council of the New York Board of Rabbis.

DR. MAX ARZT

From 1921 to 1924, Doctor Arzt served as Rabbi of Temple Beth-El, at Stamford, Connecticut, at which time, he accepted the call to the Pulpit of Temple Israel, in Scranton, Pennsylvania. He held that position for fifteen years and during that period, Doctor Arzt was President of the Council of Social Agencies of the Scranton Community Chest. He also served as a member of Governor Earle's Commission on Public Relief of Pennsylvania.

Doctor Arzt, a graduate from the College of the City of New York, received his M.A. from Columbia University in 1921, and received the degree of Doctor of Hebrew Literature from the Seminary in 1934. He was awarded the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity in 1950 by the Seminary for his thesis on the ancient Academy of Sura, based on sources in the Babylonia Talmud.

Among his writings are the Talmudic

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SCHEDULE OF RELIGIOUS SERVICES

Friday Evening, November 9 ..... 8:30 P.M.
Dr. Max Arzt, Guest Speaker — "A Scholar and A Saint"

Saturday Morning, November 10 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Rabbi Kogen will preach "The Things That Unite Us"

Friday Evening, November 16 ..... 8:30 P.M.
Rabbi Kogen will preach "Religion In A Grey Flannel Suit"

Saturday Morning, November 17 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Rabbi Kogen will preach "The Full Life"

Rabbi Kogen will continue to function temporarily with Hazzan David J. Putterman officiating, assisted by the Synagogue Choir and George Crook at the organ.

21 Days Left for
SISTERHOOD'S 61st BIRTHDAY
Wednesday, November 28, 1956
Luncheon
Hotel Astor — 11:30 A.M.
***Play* — "AUNTIE MAME"**

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Review of "The Prosecutor"

The following review by Jacob Klein, President of Park Avenue Synagogue, of *"The Prosecutor"*, written by Hon. Bernard Botein, a member of the Park Avenue Synagogue, and a former Chairman of the Board of Trustees, has been received for publication in the BULLETIN.

"Justice Botein, a Judge of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, presently on the Appellate Division of the First Department and recently unanimously endorsed by all parties for re-election, has written a new book entitled *"The Prosecutor"*. Judge Botein was Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Park Avenue Synagogue for several years, and still is a valued member of the Board and a devoted member of the Park Avenue Synagogue. He is the author of another book named *"Trial Judge"*, which was reviewed by the Chief Justice of the Appellate Division, who wrote most enthusiastically about it.

Although Judge Botein calls this book a novel, it is quite novel in its exposition. Written in an easy style, it delves into the history and workup of the District Attorney's office of a large city, political implications and complications and many phases of life that crop up in that official's office.

I enjoyed reading the book, and I heartily commend it to the members of the Park Avenue Synagogue. The principal figures in this book are the District Attorney, a man of irreproachable character and integrity, and a young scoundrel of a lawyer, the son of a former partner of the District Attorney. Situations are created in the book which give one goose flesh when reading them and could easily be true and most likely are, since Judge Botein was engaged at one time investigating conditions in various state offices of New York State; he is not without experience in the know how of some of the incidents dealt in by him in this book; and it is quite possible. We heartily congratulate and compliment Judge Botein for his treatment of the subject matter contained in this book.

Personally, I think it is a novel that each one of us, as well as the general public will relish reading and once one starts reading it, will find it difficult to lay down until he finishes reading it."

JACOB KLEIN, *President*

Men's Club Ladies Nite November 10

By HARVEY GLASSER

The exotic spirit of a "Tropical Fiesta" will invade the Lemberg Auditorium of the Park Avenue Synagogue on Saturday night, November 10th, when Men's Club presents its annual "Ladies Night". All members of Men's Club and their ladies will be treated to the social highlight of the year.

The Auditorium is to be galy decorated to befit the occasion. There will be both American and Latin-American music for dancing and listening. A calypso singer will regale the crowd with spritely music and lyrics. The planned entertainment includes an exhibition of popular south of the border dances and group instruction to the audience in their performance.

Above all, the food and refreshments will be excitingly different. A special recipe of South American punch will be served together with delicious tropical dishes (all kosher). Dress is optional and attendance must be limited to Men's Club members and their ladies. The evening's fun will begin at 8:30 P.M.

As for Men's Club's 9th annual political forum held on Tuesday night, October 23, 1956, it was a great success. A capacity audience of more than 400 men and women listened in rapt attention as 12 outstanding candidates and party spokesmen enunciated their views and discussed the great political issues of the day. All the more remarkable was the fact that though the long program was not concluded until well past 11 P.M., the audience held fast and stayed until the last political speech was just an echo.

Men's Club is truly grateful to all those who gave of their time to make our forum such a wonderful success, including the speakers, and, our own president Milton Sivek, who served as moderator.

Sisterhood News

By MRS. SAUL GRANETTS

At noon on Tuesday, November 20. Sisterhood is proud to present to members and friends, the third of a most ambitious array of programs for 1956-1957.

The speaker will be an outstanding public figure, Dr. Ben Carruthers, who will speak on "Latin America, Next Stop!"

Since 1941, Dr. Carruthers has served as social scientist and public relations counsel in the Secretariats of the Pan American Union and the United Nations. He is the author of a book of translations from Cuban poetry and numerous feature articles on travel, economic conditions and cultural affairs which have appeared in metropolitan newspapers and national magazines.

Because all of us are interested in travel, we recommend Dr. Carruthers, an expert on Latin America. He will transport us by means of color slides and fluent, exciting commentary to the neighboring countries south of us.

All are invited for lunch, to be followed by a short business meeting and then, this most dramatic insight nto the joys of a trip. All aboard! "Latin American, Next Stop!"

Mrs. Hammerman Re-Elected Hadassah Vice-President

Mrs. Bertha Hammerman, for many years a loyal member of Park Avenue Synagogue, has again received the congratulations of her many friends for being once more re-elected to a national vice-presidency in *Hadassah*, the Womens Zionist organization.

Paris Grand Rabbi Visits Our Synagogue

Dr. Jacob Kaplan, Grand Rabbi of Paris, who was the guest of honor recently of B'nai B'rith, which is celebrating its 113th anniversary, attended our Sabbath religious services last month.

Rabbi Kaplan was honored by the French government during World War I and was made an officer of the French Legion of Honor for his services in the French resistance in World War II.

Religious School News

By MARTIN LEICHTLING, *Principal*

Frontiers of Faith

The Jewish Theological Seminary of America announces the opening of its Frontiers of Faith television series for 1956. The Seminary series will consist of eight programs in November and December. As in previous years, these programs will be telecast by the National Broadcasting Company from New York each Sunday afternoon from 1:30-2:00 P.M. Eastern Standard Time.

The following is the schedule of programs for the month of November:

Sunday, Nov. 11th — BRANDEIS — This play by Morton Wishengrad portrays episodes in the life of Justice Louis D. Brandeis whose centenary will be observed throughout the nation in November.

Sunday. Nov. 18th — OLD MAN STONE—A true story of one of Detroit's unknown distinguished citizens. Mr. Stone was a druggist who played a great part in combatting juvenile delinqnency in the slums of Detroit. Written by Norman Rosten.

A description of the other program in the series will be noted in later issues of the BULLETIN.

Veterans Day

The Hebrew Department of the Religious School will hold no classes on Monday, Nov. 12, 1956.

Julius Guggenheimer $1,000 Bequest

One of the oldest members of the Synagogue, the late Julius Guggenheimer, who had been associated with Park Avenue Synagogue for over 40 years died this summer.

His will which had recently been probated contained a $1,000 legacy bequeathed to the Park Avenue Synagogue which amount has just been received by the Treasurer, Mr. Nelson Ruttenberg.

Mr. Julius Guggenheimer had been notably generous not only to the Synagogue but particularly to all the many Sisterhood functions. In years gone by he made many generous contributions from his own business wares. His son, the late Mr. Leo Guggenheimer, served as a Trustee of Park Avenue Synagogue for over ten years.

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***Play* — "AUNTIE MAME"**

Just twenty-one days for Sisterhood's Gala Day — Everyone is going to the Astor. Don't miss the excitement of the beautiful luncheon, exciting decoration, and many souvenirs. Dr. Arthur Lelyveld will be the speaker, and Hazzan David J. Putterman will light the first Hanukkah candle. You will not want to be missing as we pick the lucky winner of the "Color Television Set."

Here is another clipping from "Auntie Mame's" reviews: "The resounding—no argument about it" hit of the theatre season—As Rosalind Russell, the indestructable yet often destructive "Auntie Mame" cavorts upon the stage".

We of Sisterhood are lucky for this is the third success we have had in a row.

***Visit* BOOK FAIR**
***In* Milton Steinberg House**
***Begins* Sunday, November 11**
Sponsored by Parents Association
Park Avenue Synagogue
Religious School

Young Marrieds Supper Sunday, November 11

By MRS. FRED KRONES

On Sunday evening, November 11, 1956, the Young Marrieds will be hosts to some fifty prospective members in the largest membership effort since its formation seven years ago. Originally formed to serve the needs of exclusively the young married element of the Park Avenue Synagogue, the membership has expanded to such an extent that the name "Young Marrieds" is a misnomer and may be misleading. Actually, this group is the only affiliated organization which offers membership to both husbands and wives and whose programs are addressed to the interests of married couples whether social or educational.

So whether you are as old as twenty or young as fifty, you are cordially in-

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Parents Association News

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

Tuesday evening, November 20, will mark the first open meeting of the Parents Association for the current season. At this orientation meeting to be held in the Lemberg Auditorium, parents will have an opportunity to meet the teachers of their children in the Religious School and to hear Mr. Martin Leichtling, its principal, who will discuss the aims and objectives of the school. Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer, chairman of Program, is arranging to have a prominent guest speaker. A social hour and refreshments will conclude the evening.

Recently, the Executive Board of the Parents Association gave a luncheon in honor of mothers of children entering the Religious School for the first time. This was well attended by many mothers who were greeted by Hrs. Herman Helpern, president of the Parents Association. Mr. Leichtling also spoke to the group and told many interesting facts about the school. Hazzan David Putterman explained the important observances for welcoming the Sabbath and graciously sang several appropriate Sabbath songs to illustrate the beauty and spiritual value of religious music.

In conjunction with the Jewish Book Month observed throughout the country, the Parents Association will once again conduct a Book Fair from Sunday, November 11 through the evening of the open meeting, November 20.

Mrs. Leon Klein, assisted by Mrs. Charles Weisberg and Mrs. Adolph Siegel, will have an unusually fine display of Jewish books, records of Jewish music, as well as charming gifts appropriate for the Holiday season. We suggest that you look over the exhibit and thus solve many of your gift problems.

Organ Seeking Sponsor

We have recently obtained a portable organ for use by the Junior Congregation.

A place has been reserved on the front of the organ for a Donor's nameplate to be affixed.

Who would like to sponsor the Junior Congregation organ? The cost is approximately $250. If you are interested, please communicate with Mr. Sidney R. Katz, our Executive Director at the Synagogue office—EN 9-2600.

Dr. Max Arzt

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researches which appeared in the Jubilee Volumes published in honor of Professor Alexander Marx and Professor Mordecai M. Kaplan. Recently, Doctor Arzt accepted the invitation of the Jewish Publication Society of America to serve as a member of the editorial advisory committee which will prepare a completely revised English translation of the Holy Scriptures.

The topic he has chosen for his talk on Friday evening, November 9. "A Scholar and a Saint" should be most interesting, since it will revolve about the career of the late Dr. Louis Ginzberg.

Rabbi David C. Kogen will deliver the sermon at the Friday evening services, November 16. He will preach on the subject "Religion in a Grey Flannel Suit".

Federation Appeal

Federation of Jewish Philanthropies is in the midst of its 1956 campagn. Its needs are imperative, if the 116 agencies it supports are to continue to carry on their philanthropic and charitable work.

The Womens Division, celebrating its 35th Anniversary, is under the Chairmanship of Mrs. Dorothy Gellert for the Park Avenue Sisterhood. The members of her Committee are now busily engaged in contacting their prospects so that Sisterhood will continue to hold the high place in the Jewish community—that it has had for many years.

Federation needs us and is the responsibility of all of us. Please contact Mrs. Dorothy Gellert if you have any report on the progress of your prospects. The time is running short and we must step up our efforts if the campaign of Federations is to reach its goal.

Congratulations

Mr. and Mrs. Saul Godwin—birth of granddaughter, Lisa Marya Frost

Young Marrieds Supper

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vited to join the Young Marrieds at supper in the Lemberg Auditorium on November 11, starting at 7:00 P.M. and continuing on until your youth runs out.

If interested, call Mrs. Fred Krones, Fl 8-1646.

Reflections on the Cocktail Party to New Members

By HARRY J. SOKOLOW,
Membership Chairman

October 14 will long be remembered, we hope, by the new members and by the Board of Trustees and Advisory Council, who met under such happy circumstances, at our first party held in the Milton Steinberg House, honoring our new members.

We tried to make you feel that you are a part of our happy family and if we succeeded—we are very proud indeed. Warm greetings were extended by Judge Bernard Botein, one of our past Chairman of the Board, by Mr. Saul Godwin, Chairman of our Building Committee and General Melvin L. Krulewitch, Vice-Chairman of the Board. It is our earnest hope that all the members will come often and avail themselves of our many activities, and we hope that you will introduce yourselves to your hosts, Trustees of your Synagogue, if you recognize them as and when you come to Services or to any of our functions, so they may get to know you better.

Again a hearty welcome—we had, all agree, a thrilling experience in our first venture and we hope to continue to use this pattern in the ensuing years ahead.

Holy Scripture Donated By Julian Jacobs

Mr. Julian Jacobs, a member of the Advisory Council of the Park Avenue Synagogue and an active member of the Men's Club, has contributed a copy of the Holy Scriptures for use in the Appleman Chapel.

This presentation was made in memory of his parents Louis and Rose Jacobs. This method of honoring the memory of dear parents is worthy of emulation and is gratefully acknowledged.

Condolences

Mrs. Joseph Block—death of brother Sidney Bass
Dr. Harry Neivert—death of mother Ray Neivert
Henry Neuberg Family—death of Henry Neuberg

Sisterhood Sponsors Musicale and Tea Honoring New Members

The members who appeared at the cocktail party given by the Board of Trustees must have experienced the warmth and good fellowship that prevailed. The Sisterhood is affording another opportunity, this time confined to the ladies only, to appear at a Musicale and Tea on Wednesday, November 7 at 2:00 P.M., at the beautiful home of our own Mrs. Sol Green, 940 Park Avenue.

These occasions have always been a delight to attend. Many warm friendships were started at similar functions in the past and thus have aided in keeping our Sisterhood in the forefront of leadership, not only in Synagogue activities, but also in communal work throughout the metropolitan area.

Please put this date on your calendar and join in a pleasant afternoon planned for you by our gracious hostess, Mrs. Sol Green and a hard working committee.

Chairman of Membership
MRS. BENJAMIN SACK

ORT Celebrates Anniversary

During the week-end of November 16 and 17 the National Organization for Rehabilitation Through Training popularly known as ORT has named that week-end as ORT Sabbath to call public attention to their achievements.

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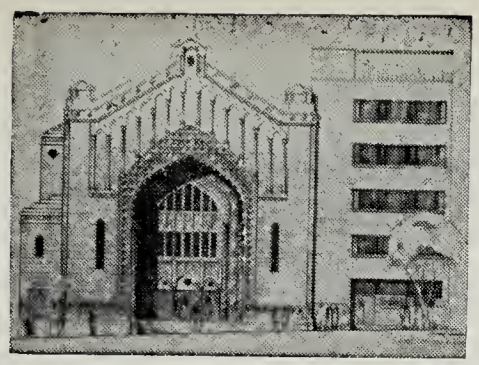

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Dr. Bernard Cherrick, Guest Speaker, November 23; Rabbi Louis I. Newman to Speak at Services, November 30

The late Friday Evening Services inaugurated as part of the Diamond Jubilee Celebration of the Park Avenue Synagogue will continue with the appearance of Dr. Bernard Cherrick, as the guest speaker, at the services to be held Friday Evening, November 23, at 8:30 P.M. He has chosen as his topic, "Clearing in the Wilderness: A Thanksgiving Message from Israel".

DR. BERNARD CHERRICK

We are fortunate in having Dr. Cherrick address our congregation on his return visit to the United States, as he is recognized as one of the most dynamic personalities and brilliant speakers on the world Jewish scene. He is famous for his wide knowledge and universal appeal throughout Jewish circles, and his unusual gift of fluency with his persuasive logic have made a profound impression on all of his listeners.

To the members of Park Avenue Synagogue, Rabbi Newman is no stranger. The late Rabbi Milton Steinberg, of blessed memory, was inducted at his first service as Rabbi of Park Avenue Synagogue by Dr. Louis Finkelstein, chancellor of the Jewish Theological Seminary, and Rabbi Louis I. Newman.

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RABBI LOUIS I. NEWMAN

Hanukkah Party Sunday Evening, Dec. 2

The Hanukkah Party of the Park Avenue Synagogue will take place this year on Sunday night, December 2, in the Lemberg Auditorium.

Archie Thurman, chairman of the Hanukkah Committee and vice-president of the Synagogue announced an attractive entertainment program.

Miss Jacquline Berman, well-known singer, will entertain with Israeli and folk-songs. The humorous program of the evening will be provided by Isadore Bookbinder, famous raconteur.

Hanukkah candles will be lit by Hazzan David Putterman.

Refreshments will be served.

The committee in addition to Mr. Thurman, consists of Harry Dubin, Mrs. Sigmund Siegel, Mrs. Joseph H. Katz, Milton Sivek, Mrs. Harry J. Sokolow, Dr. M. Fieber, Mrs. Charles Weisberg, Mrs. Winnie Siegel.

Everyone is invited.

SCHEDULE OF RELIGIOUS SERVICES

Friday Evening, November 23 . . . . . 8:30 P.M.

Dr. Bernard Cherrick, guest speaker

"Clearing in the Wilderness: A Thanksgiving Message from Israel"

Saturday Morning, November 24 . . . . . 9:30 A.M.

Bar Mitzvah of Jay Feinberg

son of Mr. & Mrs. Mortimer Feinberg

Rabbi Kogen will preach on "Handicapped Lives"

Friday Evening, November 30 . . . . . 8:30 P.M.

Rabbi Louis I. Newman, guest speaker, will discuss

"Russia's Policies and World Peace"

Saturday Morning, December 1 . . . . . 9:30 A.M.

Bar Mitzvah of Jonathan Weingarten

son of Mr. & Mrs. Harold Weingarten

Rabbi Kogen will preach on "The Maccabees—Then and Now"

Rabbi Kogen will continue to function temporarily with Hazzan David J. Putterman officiating, assisted by the Synagogue Choir and George Crook at the organ.

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Hanukkah Message

Reflections on its Meaning for Today

It is so easy to become enmeshed in the rituals beautiful as they are, in the hurly-burly of the joys of Hanukkah festivities, pleasant as they usually are, that even those of us who on occasion pause to reflect about why we do certain things will seldom stop long enough to give thought to the meaning of Hanukkah in the year 1956.

A couple of years ago the United Synagogue of America in its program aids published a simple document giving modern meaning to Hanukkah. It was so well stated that we feel that at least this portion of it should be reprinted in full.

"The Maccabean revolt was an epic struggle for democracy in its widest sense: religious freedom, freedom of thought, the dignity of man, and national self-determination. It was a struggle supported and sustained by the people; it was a democratic war waged by volunteers to safeguard the liberties of the nation. As soon as even the minimal objective, religious tolerance, was offered peace was sought and secured.

"Hanukkah is the victorious vindication of the human will to freedom and the Jewish love of peace. For, this festival commemorates the exciting and exulting events in the initial era of the struggle which culminated in the liberation of Jerusalem, the cleansing of the Temple from foul paganism, and the restoration of Jewish worship in the Sanctuary on Zion's mount. The Hanukkah lights have, ever since, festively proclaimed the glories of liberty to all the generations of man. They have made resolute their hearts and inspired their souls to hold aloft and carry forward the torch of freedom in the midst of suffering and oppressed humanity."

SIDNEY R. KATZ
Executive Director

Reserve This Date

Friday Evening, December 7

Panel Discussion of "The Prosecutor" by Hon. Bernard Botein

Participants:
GEORGE M. SHAPIRO
lawyer, and former counsel to Gov. Dewey.
J. R. COMINSKY
publisher of the Saturday Review.
ISRAEL B. OSEAS
lawyer, and a member of the Board of Trustees.

Moderator:
MILTON WEILL
former president of Federation, and a member of the Board of Trustees.

All members of the Park Avenue Synagogue

LAST CALL

Seven Days Left for Sisterhood Brunch and Matinee Wednesday, Nov. 28

All is in readiness at the Hotel Astor to greet all the Sisterhood members and their friends in the Grand Ballroom — to celebrate their sixty-first birthday. We know you will all have a wonderful time — as we visit and then go around the corner to see "Auntie Mame".

Don't miss this special event.

Light First Candle Wednesday Night, November 28

The Hanukkah season always a delightful one in ritual and historical memories begins Wednesday evening, November 28 with the lighting of the first candle. This beautiful ceremony of candle lighting continues for eight days with two candles on Thursday evening, November 29 until Wednesday evening, December 5 when eight candles are lit.

Special Committee Arranges for Guest Speakers

As part of the celebration of our Diamond Jubilee year, a special committee was recently appointed to plan for the guest speakers to appear at the late Friday Evening Services of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

Mr. Saul Godwin, who is also chairman of the Adult Education Committee, was appointed chairman of this special committee. Together with Jacob Klein, Saul Horowitz, Mrs. Sigmund Siegel, and Hazzan David J. Putterman, the committee has already received acceptances from a number of outstanding speakers, who will participate in our late Friday evening Services.

Our first guest speaker on October 26, when the late Friday Evening Services were launched, was Dr. Mordecai M. Kaplan, Founder of the Jewish Reconstructionist Movement and of the Society for the Advancement of Judaism. He was followed by Dr. Israel Goldstein, Rabbi of B'nai Jeshurun, and by Dr. Max Arzt, Vice-Chancellor of the Jewish Theological Seminary.

Among those who are scheduled to appear in the near future are Rabbi Louis I. Newman, Rabbi of Rodeph Sholem, Governor Theodore R. McKeldin of Maryland, Dr. Julius Mark, Rabbi of Temple Emanu-El, and many other prominent personalities. Further details will appear in this BULLETIN as well as in future issues. Watch for the list and mark your calendar accordingly, for you will not want to miss any of these events.

Judge Botein Re-Elected

The election last week was a mere formality for Hon. Bernard Botein, a member of the Board of Trustees of the Park Avenue Synagogue, and its former chairman. Endorsed by all the major political parties, Judge Botein was re-elected by an overwhelming vote to a second term of fourteen years as a Judge of the Supreme Court of the State of New York.

At present, Judge Botein is sitting as an Associate Justice of the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court of the State of New York, First Department, where appeals from the Supreme Court in the first judicial district are heard. We rejoice with the rest of the community in the unanimous endorsement which Judge Botein's splendid record has received from the electorate.

Adult Education Courses To Commence Nov. 25

By HELEN GODWIN

The Adult Education program for 1956-57 was worth waiting for, says Saul Godwin, Chairman of the Committee. A stimulating and timely series of courses has been planned with a four-fold approach.

An innovation this year is a Seminar to be given on Sunday morning starting November 25 at 10:30 A.M., for parents of the Religious School children. Entitled "Our Jewish Heritage in the Modern World," it will be led by Dr. Arthur Hyman, a member of the faculty of Dropsie College and a University Seminar Associate at Columbia University, who is known to us through the excellent Bible courses he gave during the past two years.

The Seminar will consider fundamental issues of interest to modern Jewish men and women and its first unit will deal with the following topics:

Sunday, November 25 — The Biblical Foundations of Judaism.

Sunday, December 2 — Formulations of a Jewish God-concept.

Sunday, December 9 — The Jewish Attitude Toward Other Faiths (The Hanukkah-Christmas problem will be considered).

Sunday, December 16 — The Relevance of Prayer.

The Committee believes that the content of the Seminar and its presentation on Sunday mornings will meet the special needs of those who may find this hour a convenient one.

Regular Monday evening courses will start Monday, November 26 and run for four sessions through December 17, to be resumed on January 14 through March 3, 1957. Special efforts have been made to present topics of vital importance to the Jew today.

Courses: 8 *P.M. to* 9 *P.M.*

1. An Analysis of the Sabbath Prayer Book: the structure and interpretation of the prayers in relation to our services—Cantor David J. Putterman.
2. Elementary Hebrew.
3. Intermediate Hebrew.

9 *P.M. to* 10 *P.M.*

The major lecture course, on Israel, planned last spring as particularly fitting for our 75th Anniverary year, has become a momentous stirring issue for all of us. It will be presented by Israelis now visiting this country who are especially qualified.

Monday, November 26 — Opening of Series. The Present Situation in Israel (lecture) Hon. Moshe Rivlin, Israeli Consul, N. Y. C.

Monday, December 3 — "Ingathering of the Exiles" (seminar) Social and cultural problems of mass immigration into Israel—Mr. Raphael Even

Monday, December 10 — Israel's Economic System (seminar) (Private and cooperative enterprise; the country's natural resources; development prospects for the future) Mr. Raphael Even

Monday, December 17 — Education in Israel (seminar) (Problems in education; Israel's educational institutions; adult education) Mr. Eliezer Shmueli

In addition to this series of lectures and seminars, the Committee plans to present a Friday evening program of prominent Rabbis and laymen who will speak on important phases of contemporary Judaism, as part of the late Friday Evening Services.

The Seventh Annual Series of the Milton Steinberg Memorial Lectures on Jewish Theology to be given in the spring will climax the efforts of the Committee to make its program this year a memorable one. The momentous changes in the international scene, and the special responsibility which we as American Jews have in this situation make it imperative that we know and understand not only present events, but our past heritage which is so closely intertwined with the present.

A brochure listing courses, lectures, seminars and Friday night speakers will be sent to congregants shortly. It is the sincere wish of the chairman and his committee that the response to this program will be an attendance commensurate with the efforts made in its formulation and the overwhelming need to be informed on its contents.

Correction

In the last issue of the BULLETIN, reference was made to Rabbi Jacob Kaplan, who had attended one of our Sabbath morning services.

Rabbi Jacob Kaplan was incorrectly referred to as Grand Rabbi of Paris. This was in error. For the past fifteen months, he has been Grand Rabbi of France.

We have also since learned that two of the students of our Religious School are related to him; Pascal Kaplan, his nephew, and Laurence Kaplan, his niece.

Sidney R. Katz, Elected To National Governing Board

Sidney R. Katz, our Executive Director, was elected to the Governing Board of the National Association of Synagogue Administrators for the coming four years, at a recent convention of that organization held at Atlantic City.

Membership in the NASA is limited to experienced administrators of conservative congregations in the United States and Canada and presently includes almost 100 in its ranks.

The convention took action in cooperation with the United Synagogue of America, in the establishment of a Commission on Administration. This department, to be housed at the Jewish Theological Seminary, will publish booklets on synagogue administration as well as be available to advise conservative congregations on their specific financial or administrative problems.

Elected along with Mr. Katz were: Ray Kaufman of Houston, Texas; Harold Hammer of Baltimore, Md.; Max Kirk of Montreal, Canada; Jerome Koransky of Paterson, N. J.; Louis Sanders of Brooklyn, N. Y.; Lionel Semiatin of White Plains, N. Y.; and Nat Zuckerman of Brooklyn, N. Y.

Our congratulations to Sidney upon this new honor and to the National Board for its excellent choice.

Youth Study Group

By JOHN R. KOGAN

This year has been one of many advances in the field of Youth Activities at the Park Avenue Synagogue. One of the most important, was the formation of a U.S.Y. Study Group.

Our group has a small but active membership composed of teen-agers interested in gaining greater knowledge and understanding of the full and rich concepts and traditions that Judaism embodys. The current discussion series is aimed at exploring and defining the "Jewish point of view." We are also learning Israeli songs and dances under the able direction of our advisor Jerry Goodman.

We meet at 10 o'clock on Sundays at the Synagogue and interested teen-agers are invited to attend. I have enough faith in our group to believe that if people come down once, they'll come again.

"Food For Thought"

The following article has been sent to all Synagogues affiliated with the United Synagogue of America, by its president, Rabbi Harry Halpern, for distribution to its Congregants or for publication in its Synagogue periodical.

The subject dealing with "Christmas, Hanukkah and the Public Schools" is most timely at this time of year and, in the opinion of the Bulletin Chairman, merits its publication for the consideration and reflection of the members of the Park Avenue Congregation.

The article written by Rabbi Ben Zion Bokser of the Forest Hills Jewish Center, Forest Hills, N. Y. is herewith printed.

All Jewish thinking on the relationships that should prevail among the religious groups which live side by side in a democratic society is conditioned by the well-known statement of the Bible: "*Let all the nations each walk in the name of his God, and we will walk in the name of the Lord our God forever and ever.*" Judaism has fought without compromise for the freedom of religion.

How is it possible to have true religious fredom in a democratic society? There is only one way—and that is to make religion the private concern of each religious comunity. This principle is embodied in the American constitution which forbids the State or the Federal Government from establishing a particular religious creed. The state as such and all its institutions are to be above denominationalism.

This principle of religious liberty has helped to make America a great nation. We have been freed of the bitter religious rivalries which have plagued the old world. It has also enabled each religious community to prosper mightily. Under freedom, each religious group is stronger in America than anywhere elsc in the world.

During the Christmas season the tendency has developed to violate this principle. Each year Christmas carols, trees, pageants, the whole rich folklore of Christianity has been transferred into the public schools. Some Jewish groups have naturally objected to this as an invasion of the rights of Jewish children. Some well-meaning Jews and Christians have, therefore, thought of compromise. As an appeasement to Jews, the practice has developed to balance the Christmas observance with the observance of Hanukkah.

I have always objected to this appeasement. I wonder how fair it is to Christian children. A real act of Hanukkah commemoration has religious content. To a devout Christian family it might very well be objectionable to having their children share in a religious act of another faith.

The public school observance of Hanukkah tries, of course, to eliminate religious content from the holiday. In the end, this only produces a distortion of the holiday. When Christmas and Hanukkah coincide in time it may be possible to have joint celebrations. But what about the time when Chanukah comes out earlier? The joint celebration is still set for the Christmas season. The entire celebration of Chanukah in the school is corrupted by being remade in the image of Christmas.

In one school the principal introduced the Chanukah bush, obviously to parallel the Chrismas tree. There is no such thing as a Chanukah bush. It is part of a corruption of a Jewish festival, and as a Jew I am deeply offended by it.

There is a more serious objection to this arrangement. Once Jews accept it, then they can no longer protest any religious observance in the schools. This will open the door to Easter, Good Friday, and relgious exercises in other holidays in the schools.

I agree with the Board of Education directive against this joint celebration of Chrstmas and Chanukah, but it does not go far enough. There should be no Chanukah in the schools at all, jointly or independently, and there should be no clebration of Christmas in the school either.

The Board of Education directive tries to protect the non-Christian child against undue mental pressure when the school celebrates the Christmas holiday. It suggests eliminating doctrinal elements from those programs, and it suggests excusing children from singing carols if their parents object to it. I do not thing it is enough. For a child to set himself apart from an entire class, to be silent when everyone else is singing, is to expose the child to embarrassment.

There is only one answer to this problem, and that is the answer of our principle, to make our schools truly free. truly non-sectarian, truly American, and that is to ban all religious exercises from them. There is no room for Chanukah in the school; and there is no room for Christmas in the school either.

Jews in the school system, as parents of children attending the public schools, as members of P.T.A. organizations, it is for us to be mindful of this principle. Let us not accept a cheap appeasement, but let us assert what is a sound democratic American conviction: religion belongs in the home, in the synagogue, in the church, and in the religious school. The public schools, as an agency of the State, must be free of sectarianism if they are to fulfill their role as free institutions in American society.

Let all the peoples each walk in the name of his God, and we will walk in the name of the Lord our God forever and ever.

Cantors Institute Hails Progress in Jewish Music

When the Cantors Institute and the Seminary College of Jewish Music were established in 1952, a three-fold aim was announced. It was hoped that the new schools, in addition to training personnel in the field of Jewish music, would stimulate public interest in the musical aspects of Synagogue worship, and in Jewish music, both traditional and modern, as an important part of Jewish culture in America.

One of the most important effects of the new collegiate programs is the newly awakened interest in Jewish music interest all over the country. In discussing this growing concern with Jewish music, Hazzan David J. Putterman, who is Director of the United Synagogue Department of Music, pointed out that there is an increasing number of concerts and recitals scheduled by Hazzanim throughout the country, which each year attract larger audiences.

Several volumes of Jewish songs have been published, both for children and for adult choruses; new recordings of Jewish music, on a commercial basis have been issued by recording companies; and, most significant of all, more congregations are experimenting with new musical services each year.

The Park Avenue Synagogue, with its annual Liturgical Music Service, instituted by our own Hazzan Putterman, at which time New Liturgical Music by contemporary composers is presented, has made a valuable contribution to this resurgence of interest in Jewish music.

In the future, the two schools and their growing roster of graduates will guide American congregations to a new understanding of Jewish music and its role in the Synagogue Service.

Friday Evening Services

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Dr. Bernard Cherrick, born in Dublin, was educated in England, where he studied at the Universities of London and Manchester. He received his degree of Master of Arts in Semitic languages and philosophy at the University of London and later held a research fellowship at that institution of learning.

Until the outbreak of war in 1913, Dr. Cherrick served as Rabbi at one of the leading Synagogues in London. He then entered the army as a chaplain and after his discharge from military service, his oratorical talents were first called upon in behalf of Israel, when he became Director of the Jewish National Fund and of the United Palestine Appeal in Great Britain.

In 1947, he settled in Israel, becoming associated with the Hebrew University as its World Director of Organization and Information until his appointment in 1953 to the important post of Director General of the Board of Governors of the Hebrew University. A brilliant student of Semitics, sociology and philosophy, Dr. Cherrick also lectures in the Extension Division of the University.

Dr. Cherrick has been enthusiastically received by audiences in Australia, New Zealand, Canada, South Africa, Latin America, and in the United States. We are sure that the members of Park Avenue Synagogue will not want to miss this opportunity to hear our guest.

At the following Friday Evening Services, November 30, at 8:30 P.M., our pulpit will be graced by Rabbi Louis I. Newman of Rodeph Sholem. He will discuss "Russia's Policies and World Peace", a timely subject which should be of interest to us all.

Rabbi Newman, who has occupied the pulpit as Rabbi at Congregation Rodeph Sholem since 1937, was formerly Rabbi of Temple Emanu-El in San Francisco. From 1916 to 1921, he was associated with the late Rabbi Stephen S. Wise in the Free Synagogue. Author of "Jewish Influences on Christian Reform Movements", Rabbi Newman's writings include many other books and periodicals. His latest volume of plays, cantatas, and pageants, entitled "Pangs of the Messiah" will be issued in December. At present, he is completing his Manual for Newcomers into Judaism under the title "The Jewish People, Faith and Life."

Ladies' Night "Una Noche Magnifica"

By HARVEY GLASSER

"Magnifica" was the only word to describe Men's Club's annual Ladies' Night, held Saturday, November 10th, in the Lemberg Auditorium, and appropriately entitled "A Tropical Fiesta."

Without question, "Tropical Fiesta" surpassed all our prior Ladies' Nights in gaiety, uniqueness of decor, sociability, cuisine and in the amount of spirits consumed. The crowded auditorium abounded with laughter and smiling faces in an atmosphere of pulsating Latin-American rhythms and tropical conviviality.

Harry Dubin, and his committee, richly deserve all the credit for the success of the evening. Displaying vivid imagination, the auditorium was transformed into what might have been an intimate quarter in Rio De Janeiro or of a Caribbean Island paradise. On the stage, Cisco y Los Companeros performed all the wonderful Latin rhythms. Phillips Dance Studios sent us Alexander and Evelyn who gave us remarkable demonstrations in the cha-cha-cha, mambo, meringue and the tango, and then conducted a mass instruction in the cha-cha-cha to some 40 or 50 of us.

Truly authentic was the cuisine. A Mexican chef prepared a positively delicious arroz con pollo (chicken and rice). Then there was a dessert of pineapple slices smothered in shredded coconut. That punch you drank was called "Flamingo" and it really had a punch.

To many, the highlight of the evening was the impromptu dance exhibition presented by our own members and their wives. Harry Dubin and his wife, Juliet, danced a marvellous cha-cha-cha. Dr. and Mrs. Paul Riebenfeld did a wonderful samba, as did our president Milton Sivek and his wife. Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Heyward surprised with a lively charleston.

But, to Harry Dubin, Julian Jacobs, David Altschul, Milton Selig and to all the others who helped to make Men's Club's Tropical Fiesta such a wonderful evening of gaiety and relaxation go the honors. It was truly, "Una Noche Magnifica."

As is customary, there will be a short discussion period in the Lemberg Auditorium following each service and the usual Oneg Shabbat. All are invited to attend.

Religious School News

By MARTIN LEICHTLING, *Principal*

Alumni Join Faculty

The teacher shortage, which is plaguing educators throughout the nation, is particularly acute in the field of Jewish education. Teacher recruitment has become a problem of major concern and study for all Jewish professional and lay organizations, but at the Park Avenue Synagogue, we are doing our share to help solve this problem.

The School Board is happy to announce the appointment of two of our former students, Cecily Falkensten and Alan Mehlman, to the faculty of the Religious School.

Cecily Falkenstein has been assigned as an assistant teacher of Class I of the Primary Department. Miss Falkenstein is a graduate and a confirmand from our school who continued her education in our High School Department. At present, she is a student at Brooklyn College where she is active in Hillel.

Alan Mehlman is a graduate-confirmand from our school and is now studying in our High School Department. On Saturday, Mr. Mehlman is the organist of the Junior Congregation and reads the Torah portion of the week for the congregation.

Frontiers of Faith

The Seminary continues its fine series of television broadcasts on Sunday, November 25, N.B.C. 1:30 - 2:30 P.M.—CRY A WARNING—A Hanukkah story of the days of the Maccabees. A young boy learns what it is to be a Jew.

Hanukkah Party

On Saturday evening, December 1, at 5:30 P.M. the students in the Hebrew Department will hold their annual Hanukkah Party in the Lemberg Auditorium. The supper party will be supervised by the teachers and the Class Mothers Committee of the Parents Association headed by Mrs. Nancy Rubinstein. Decorations for the evening will be prepared by our students under the guidance of Mrs. Stanley Simon, chairman of Holiday Observance.

The program will include the Havdalah, a candle-lighting ceremony, holiday songs and games and social and folk dances.

On Sunday morning, December 2, individual class parties will be held by the students in the Primary Department, the Class Mothers will, once again, add to the festivities by serving the students the traditional latkes and applesauce.

Parents Association To Hold Hanukkah Parties

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

The annual Hanukkah parties for the children of the Religious School of the Park Avenue Synagogue will again be conducted by the school with the cooperation of the Parents Association.

On Saturday, December 1, from 5:30 P.M. to 8 P.M., there will be a party for the youngsters in the nine and one-half year to thirteen year age group. This will include community singing, folk and Israeli dancing and, of course, food, traditional of the Hanukkah festival.

Hanukkah will be celebrated in the various classrooms on Sunday morning, December 2, with group activities, games and refreshments. The class mothers, under the chairmanship of Mrs. Joseph Rubinstein and her co-chairman, Mrs. Paul Miller, have graciously offered to assist in making the necessary arrangements for these parties.

Mrs. Stanley Simon, who for many years has devotedly conducted a Workship previous to each Holiday, will work with the teachers and children of the Religious School to encourage the observance of Hanukkah in the home. The demonstration, which will be on display during the Hanukkah Festival, will feature various costumes and decorations, as well as pamphlets explaining the food, games, and songs appropriate for the celebration of this Holiday.

At the first open meeting of the Parents Association held November 20, the audience heard a fine address by Rabbi Arthur Gilbert, who discussed "Shall We Keep Religion out of our Schools?"

Rabbi Gilbert director of Inter-Religious Cooperation of the Anti-Defamation League, is well known to Park Avenue Synagogue members because of his lectures in connection with the Adult Education program. Preceding his talk, parents had an opportunity to meet the teachers of their children in the Religious School and to hear some timely remarks by Martin Leichtling, its principal.

Those who admired the beautiful, artistically decorated table, symbolic of Hanukkah, undoubtedly guessed that it was the work of our own talented Mrs. Adolph Stangel, who together with Mrs. Stanley Simon, were responsible for this charming display. Mrs. Frank Bergman and her co-chairman, Mrs. Jack Kurzweil, were in charge of hospitality.

The Annual Book Fair, conducted by the Parents Association, began on November 11 and continued through November 20. Under the capable leadership of Mrs. Leon Klein and her co-chairmen, Mrs. Albert Siegel and Mrs. Charles Weisberg, the exhibit attracted many parents who availed themselves of the opportunity to purchase books, records of Jewish music and many gift items.

ADVANCE NOTICE OF SCHEDULE OF LATE FRIDAY EVENING SERVICES

December 7 — Panel Discussion on Judge Bernard Botein's book "The Prosecutor"
Participants: Milton Weill, J. R. Cominsky, I. B. Oseas, George Shapiro.

December 14 — Governor Theodore R. McKeldin, of Maryland "The Bill of Rights"

December 21 — Mr. Arthur Cohen "Separation of Church and State; A Problem of Jewish Anxiety"

December 28 — College Youth Night
All college youth invited.

January 4 — Dr. Julius Mark, Temple Emanu-El

A Good Time Was Had By All

By MRS. FRED KRONES

Sunday, November 11, will long be remembered as an enjoyable and entertaining evening by thirty couples who were guests of the Young Marrieds, for supper in the Sisterhood Lounge of the Milton Steinberg House.

The affair, basically a membership drive, was very successful — successful for the guests since everyone had such a good time, and successful for the Young Marrieds because it gave them the opportunity to show that their group has a place in its ranks for those members of the congregation who heretofore felt that they were too old or married too long to join.

Mrs. Rose Krones, Mrs. Ruth Pordy and Mrs. Joyce Matz did an extraordinary job in planning and producing the evening's festivities. Mr. Fred H. Krones, president, gave a short address in which the general format of the club was outlined.

Membership in the Young Married Group, which offers a program for both the Mr. and the Mrs. of our congregants, is open to everyone and your membership in any other affiliate group, whether it be the Men's Club or Sisterhood, should in no way be a deterrent.

Enquiries should be made to Mr. Sidney Katz at the Synagogue, and all functions and meeting dates will be published in the BULLETIN.

Condolences

Mrs. Mollye Cohen—death of husband Harry A. Cohen

Theodore Meistrich—on the death of his father

Hanukkah Gifts Available

If you are wondering what gifts to purchase for the Hanukkah holidays, may we suggest that you look at the many objects on display in the lobby of the Milton Steinberg House.

Among the many objects on display are Mezuzahs, spice boxes, candlesticks, Menorahs and many other items from Israel. There are also kiddush cups, prayer books, Talesim, Talis bags, and Yarzeit lamps, all of which are appropriate holiday and birthday gifts.

If you are in the building why not stop for a moment to look over the display?

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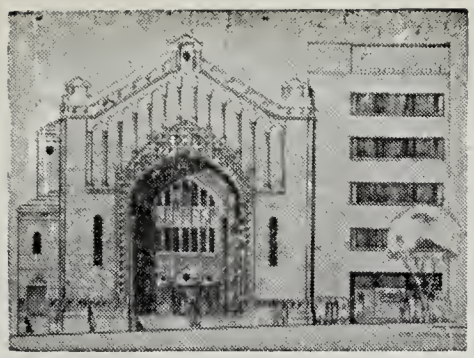

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School Recess

The Religious School will begin its annual winter vacation on Saturday morning, December 22. Students will report back to classes on Wednesday, January 2, 1957.

Students, who are in the city during the winter recess, are invited to attend the Sabbath morning services which are held in the main synagogue during the vacation period.

Men's Club Meet Dec. 18

On Tuesday evening, December 18, the Men's Club will present Rabbi Gilbert Klaperman of Congregation Beth Sholom of Lawrence, Long Island, who will discuss: "The Plight of the Jew Behind the Iron Curtain."

After Rabbi Klaperman's talk, Hazzan David Putterman will officiate at the dedication ceremonies of the Youth Activities Room on the fifth floor of the Milton Steinberg House which was presented by the Men's Club.

Governor McKeldin and Arthur A. Cohen, To Be Guest Speakers at Friday Evening Services

At the Friday Evening Services to be held at the Park Avenue Synagogue, December 14 at 8:30 P.M., our guest speaker will be Theodore Roosevelt McKeldin, Governor of Maryland. The occasion will also mark the anniversary of the "Bill of Rights", and he has chosen this subject as the theme of his lecture.

GOVERNOR McKELDIN

At the following Friday Evening Services to be held, December 21, at 8:30 P.M., Arthur A. Cohen, will occupy the pulpit. He is no stranger to our Congregation, being the son of Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Cohen a family whose identity with our congregation dates back many years.

Governor McKeldin is now serving his third consecutive term as Governor of Maryland, having been re-elected by an overwhelming vote at the 1954 election. Prior to his service at the Capital of Maryland, he was Mayor of Baltimore for five years, and during his administration was responsible for many significant governmental reforms and improvements.

A graduate of the University of Maryland, he is also the holder of honorary degrees from six colleges and universities, and has attained prominence as a lawyer and public speaker. Returning from a recent trip to Israel, where he saw at first hand, the heroic advances made by that young country towards economic growth and expansion, Governor McKeldin became actively engaged in

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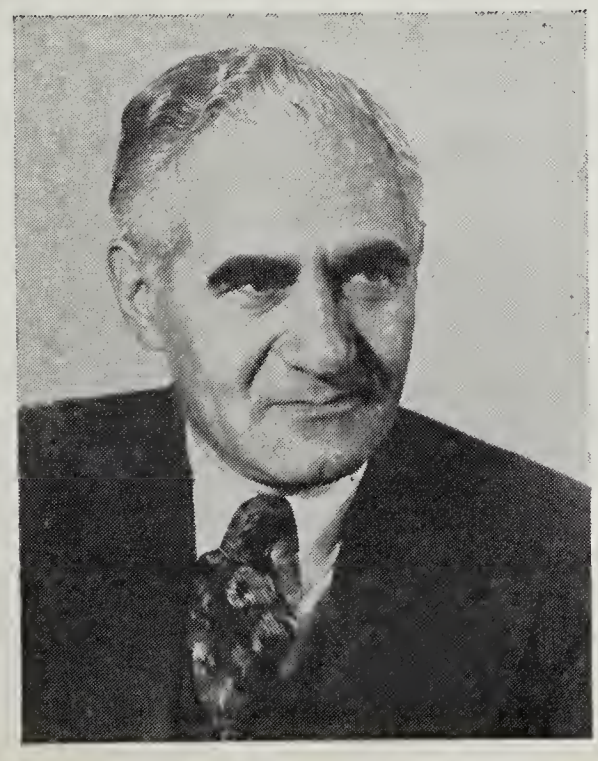
Four Members of Congregation Join in Panel Discussion, December 7



JUDGE BERNARD BOTEIN

On Friday evening, December 7, the Adult Education Committee of the Park Avenue Synagogue will sponsor a special panel discussion of Judge Botein's latest book "The Prosecutor" and the administration of justice. The symposium will take place in the Lemberg Auditorium immediately following the regular Friday Evening Services during which Rabbi Kogen will deliver a sermonette on "Jewish Concepts of Justice".

All of the panel members, George M. Shapiro, J. R. Cominsky, Israel B. Oseas and Milton Weill, who will act as moderator, are members of the Park Avenue Synagogue, as well as Hon. Bernard Botein, the author. Each has achieved outstanding success in his chosen profession and is well qualified

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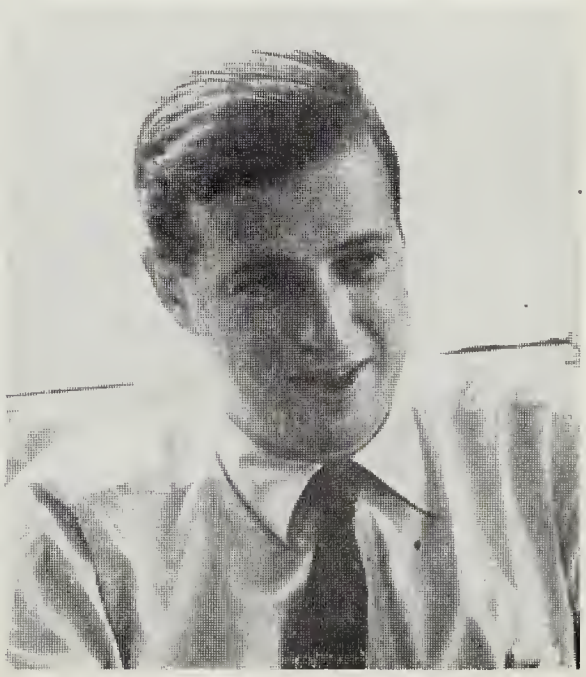

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Saturday Morning, December 8 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Rabbi Kogen will preach on "Are Jews in Golus Today?"

Friday Evening, December 14 ..... 8:30 P.M.
Governor Theodore R. McKeldin of Maryland will discuss "The Bill of Rights"

Saturday Morning, December 15 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Rabbi Kogen will preach on "Joseph: Provider and Protector"

Friday Evening, December 21 ..... 8:30 P.M.
Arthur A. Cohen, Guest Speaker
"Separation of Church and State; A Problem of Jewish Anxiety"

Saturday Morning, December 22 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Rabbi Kogen will preach on "Moses: Liberator and Law Giver"

Rabbi Kogen will continue to function temporarily with Hazzan David J. Putterman officiating, assisted by the Synagogue Choir and George Crook at the organ.

Sisterhood's Dream And the Reality

By MRS. SIGMUND SIEGEL

Over 600 women, members and friends of the Sisterhood of the Park Avenue Synagogue joined together at The Hotel Astor on Wednesday, November 28 to celebrate the occasion of Sisterhood's 61st Birthday. This year there was an innovation as there were several tables of men, husbands of our very loyal family.

A year's preparation ended with remarkable results. The theme of the day was Hanukkah, and you felt it, as you entered the Grand Ballroom where you found on every table as a center piece a large "Dredel", all executed by Mrs. Adolph Stangel and her Committee who worked all summer on this project.

The effect on the group as our own Hazzan Putterman lit the Menorah and chanted the blessings joined by each hostess at her table, was a very touching experience for we joined hands and hearts together in dedication and celebration of the day.

To the Committee who joined me go my very deepest gratitude and these include Mrs. Abel Phillips, Mrs. Irwin Rome, Mrs. Tubie Resnik, Mrs. Shy Rosen and Mrs. Harry J. Sokolow.

Dr. Arthur Lelyveld, our guest speaker brought us a very significant message, and gave us a feeling of reassurance and confidence. To him we also extend our thanks.

The color television was the prize, and we all had many an anxious moment, until the lucky winner was announced. After a very delightful luncheon, and the many gifts given every guest, and a very delightful visit with our friends, and messages from some of our leaders, we all went around the corner to the Broadhurst Theatre to see "Auntie Mame."

All this together added up to a great day in the life of the Sisterhood, and as we go forward towards our sixty-second year, I can only hope that each succeeding chairman will receive the cooperation and enthusiasm that I received from many of you.

Organ Donated

In a recent issue of the BULLETIN, we inserted an item "Organ Seeking Sponsor". We are happy to announce that one of our loyal and devoted members has generously contributed the sum of $250 to defray the cost of this organ.

In grateful acknowledgment, the name plate to be affixed to the portable organ used by the Junior Congregation will bear the inscription

"IN MEMORY
OF
HARRY M. GREENWALD"

Sisterhood Notes

By MRS. SAUL GRANETTS

The greatly increased attendance at Sisterhood meetings is the best proof that these gatherings are worthy of the interest displayed. The program at last meeting consisted of a travelogue dealing with little known places in our own United States. It was presented in a most charming manner by Mrs. Delphine Kreilcsheimer who illustrated her talk with some extremely beautiful colored slides.

At each meeting, a resume of Jewish happenings in the news and reviews of current Jewish books are ably reported by Mrs. Solomon E. Green. These accounts are carefully prepared and are delivered in a way that stimulates great interest.

During the past few weeks, Sisterhood social events have included a very beautiful Membership Tea and Musicale at the home of Mrs. Belle Green and a Federation Luncheon at the home of Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer. Mrs. Harold Osserman was co-hostess of the latter function.

On November 28, the big event of the whole year was the overwhelmingly successful "Brunch and Theatre" party at the Astor Hotel and matinee performance of the hit "Auntie Mame." All who were connected with this project are to be congratulated heartily.

Participants In Panel Discussion of "The Prosecutor" By Judge Botein, To Be Held Friday Evening, Dec. 7

MILTON WEILL
Moderator

GEORGE M. SHAPIRO
Panel Member

J. R. COMINSKY
Panel Member

ISRAEL B. OSEAS
Panel Member

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to contribute to an inspiring and literary discussion of Judge Botein's most recent book.

The Author

In writing this novel. Judge Botein, the author, has had a world of personal experience from which he could have drawn for background material. He distinguished himself as a special investigator and prosecutor prior to his election to the New York Supreme Court fourteen years ago. As an assistant district attorney in New York County, he prosecuted many celebrated cases in the 1930's. Then, as Governor Lehman's trouble shooter, Judge Botein conducted two major investigations, one of the State Insurance Fund and the other of state printing frauds. He is now serving as an associate justice of the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court, and was re-elected for another fourteen year term at the last election by an overwhelming vote.

Judge Botein is also author of "Trial Judge", and co-author of "The Slum and Crime", which has become a standard reference in the field of remedial housing.

A former chairman of our Board of Trustees for five years, Judge Botein rendered invaluable service to the Park Avenue Synagogue as a member of various committes. At present he is serving on our Board of Trustees, on the Pulpit Committee and the Nominating Committee.

The Panel Members

GEORGE M. SHAPIRO, a member of the New York Bar, received his law degree in 1942 from Columbia Law School, where he was a Kent Scholar. He served in World War II as a member of the U. S. Army Air Force for two and one-half years and soon after his discharge from the armed forces. he was appointed by Governor Dewey as confidential law assistant on the staff of Charles D. Breitel, then Counsel to the Governor and now an associate justice of the Appellate Division of the New York Supreme Court. In 1951, Mr. Shapiro was designated Counsel to Governor Dewey at the age of 31. one of the youngest men to hold that office since its creation.

Despite his extensive practice, Mr. Shapiro still finds time to continue his efforts for many outside communal activities. At present. he is chairman of the Committee on Civil Rights and Civil Liberties of the American Jewish Committee, chairman of the Council of the State University Colleges of Medicine, and also a member of the Board of Trustees of Long Island University, from which he graduated, cum laude, in 1939. He is also a member of the Board of Visitors of Columbia Law School.

In 1954, Mr. Shapiro was honored by Long Island University as the "Alumnus of the Year" for reflecting honor upon his alma mater because of his unusual contributions to communal activities, a well deserved recognition of his civic-mindedness.

J. R. COMINSKY has been publisher of the Saturday Review for the past fourteen years. His journalistic career started many years ago, when he served as a reporter and business executive of the Rochester (N.Y.) Democrat and Chronicle, becoming the City Editor of that newspaper at the age of 25. He then came to New York, where he became a member of the staff of the New York Times, serving in various capacities, which included that of national advertising manager until his association with the Saturday Review where he also fills the post of Executive Vice-President and Treasurer.

Mr. Cominsky has made outstanding strides in the field of journalism and recently was honored by the University of Rochester, his alma mater, with a special citation in recognition of his achievement in the field of publishing. This past year, he was elected to the Board of Trustees of the University of Rochester, as one of its distinguished alumni.

ISRAEL B. OSEAS. also a practicing lawyer in New York. has been actively identified with Park Avenue Synagogue for many years, having been a member of the School Board, the Law Committee and chairman of the Ritual Committee. as well as a member of the Board of Trustees, on which he is now serving.

A graduate of City College, Mr. Oseas received his law degree, cum laude. from Harvard Law School, where he served as an editor of the Harvard Law Review. Shortly after his admission to the bar, he was appointed special assistant to the U. S. Attorney for the Southern District of New York, where he served for two years until his appointment in 1927 as a special assistant to the United States Attorney General, Ani-Trust Division, during part of which period, he was Chief of the New York Division of that Bureau. In 1934 Mr. Oseas served under temporary appointment in the office of the United States Attorney General and in 1944 he was appointed in a similar capacity to prosecute the anthracite coal industry.

At present. Mr. Oseas is a member of the Executive Council of the United Synagogue of America and is completing his second term as one of its vice-

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Guest Speakers

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mobilizing public support for Israel's program of economic development and immigrant absorption.

Governor McKeldin has long been active in civic and church affairs, preaching lay sermons in churches of various denominations througout the country. An exponent of tolerance and mutual understanding, he served as chairman of Brotherhood Week for the National Conference of Christians and Jews in 1948 and 1949. Recently he was elected as the first president of the newly formed America-Israeli Friendship Society, an organization composed of national leaders in the fields of art, business, education, labor, politics and religion, who believe that there is a need for a continuous and non-political expression to the friendship which exists between these two countries.

Arthur A. Cohen has chosen for his topic: "Separation of Church and State; a Problem of Jewish Anxiety", a subject that has aroused considerable controversy over its application and one that should provide great interest and reflection among his listeners.

Author of numerous articles on Jewish theology and religious thought in many magazines, including Commonweal, Judaism, Cross Currents, Conservative Judaism, The Jewish Frontier, and the Partisan Review, Mr. Cohen is presently completing a book on the great philosopher, Martin Buber, which will be published next year in England. At present, he is in the process of writing another book entitled, "The Mind of the Modern Jew", in which he discusses modern Jewish thought.

Mr. Cohen, who graduated from the University of Chicago, studied for three years at the Jewish Theological Seminary, and is now completing his doctoral thesis at the University of Chicago. Mr. Cohen is presently president and editorial director of Meridian Books, Inc. and Living Age Books.

On each occasion, there will be a short discussion period following the services in the Lemberg Auditorium, and the usual Oneg Shabbat to which all are invited.

Congratulations

Mr. Albert J. Dobrin upon his engagement to Miss Edith Goodman

Mr. Moe Turman — 60th Birthday

Condolences

Mr. and Mrs. Jacques Traubee on the death of their son Neil

Panel Discussion

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presidents. He also served as president of the Metropolitan Council of the United Synagogue for two years.

Our moderator will be MILTON WEIL, a member of our Board of Trustees and its former vice-chairman. A veteran leader of philanthropic and civic activities, he served as president of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies of New York from 1951 to 1954. On his retirement as president of Federation, Mr. Weill was elected an Honorary Trustee-at-Large for life and associate chairman of the Board.

Soon after his graduation from Columbia University, Mr. Weill served in World War I as a lieutenant in the United States Army and saw active duty in France where he was wounded and decorated with the Purple Heart.

His record of civic and philanthropic leadership includes long service with the United Jewish Appeal, where he headed the Special Gifts Committee from 1948 to 1950, membership on the Administrative Committee of the American Jewish Committee and on the Board of Trustees of the Joint Distribution Committee. Mr. Weill is also vice-president and director of the National Jewish Welfare Board and on the Board of Directors of the United Service Organizations and of the Greater New York Fund. His activities also include service as a director of the 92nd Street YM & YWHA for many years. At present, he is an honorary vice-president of that institution.

Following the discussion period, there will be the usual Oneg Shabbat, to which all are invited.

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Young Marrieds Meet Tuesday Evening, Dec. 11

By MRS. FRED KRONES

At their next meeting to be held on Tuesday, December 11th at 8:30 P.M. in the Lemberg Auditorium, the Young Marrieds will present a documentary picture entitled "WILL IT HAPPEN AGAIN?"

Produced by the Navy Club of the United States and compiled from captured Nazi footage, the film is a photographic retracing of the rise and demise of Adolph Hitler and Company. Its principal characters are Hitler, Goering, Goebbels, Himmler, Streicher, Mussolini and Eva Braun.

"WILL IT HAPPEN AGAIN?" should not be missed by any of the congregation and certainly not by those of us who may be unfamiliar with the pattern of tragic destiny which beset the German People from the First World War through their gradual but complete subjugation by Hitler.

Immediately after the film, there will be a discussion on its message, principally the necessity for a strong Army and Navy and an impregnable National Defense and the necessity for outlawing war through the United Nations. This discussion will be conducted by Dr. Leon Pordy, the Young Marrieds Vice President and Program Chairman. Refreshments will follow.

You and your friends are invited to join with us for another evening of educational and social recreation, which is what Young Marrieds means.

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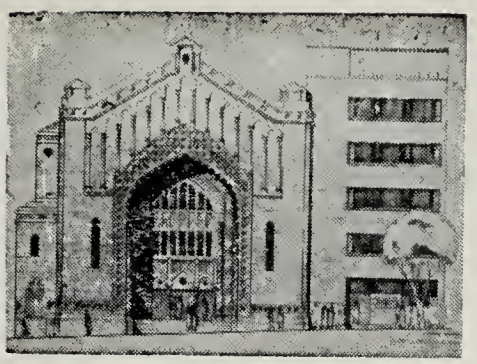

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College Youth Sabbath Friday Evening, Dec. 28

Again this year. the Friday evening serviee which will be held at the Park Avenue Synagogue on Friday evening. December 28. at 8:30 P.M. will be conducted by the College Youth Group.

Mr. Hy Sankel, the Yonth Aetivities Direetor. has announced that several of the College Youth Group, former students at the Religious Sehool of the Park Avenue Synagogue, will partieipate in the reading of the prayers. Rabbi Kogen will deliver the sermon. and has ehosen as his topie: "Messiah in Chains: Improving the World of To-morrow."

This speeial Sabbath serviee annually devoted to the College Youth of our Synagogue has always attracted many of the Religious Sehool alumni and afforded them the opportunity to meet many of their old friends and onee again join in the religious serviee of our congregation, after their extended absence from the City attending eolleges at many distant points.

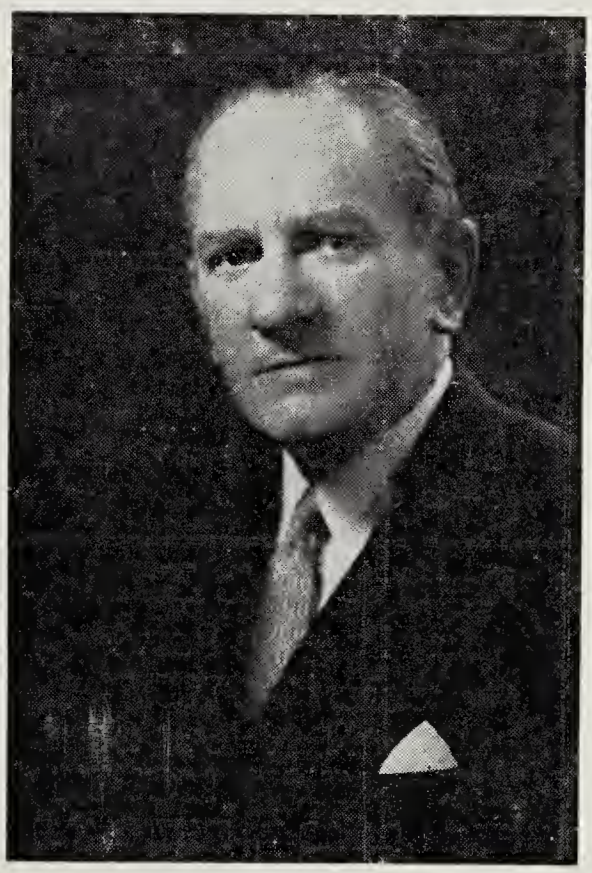
It is hoped that the members of the eongregation will evidence their interest in this younger group by attending this serviee. The customary *Oneg Shabbat* and discussion will follow the services in the Lemberg Auditorium. All are invited to attend.

Dr. Julius Mark, Guest Speaker, At Friday Evening Service, January 4

Dr. Julius Mark, Senior Rabbi of Temple Emanu-El of New York City, the most distinguished Reform Jewish Congregation in the United States. will be our guest speaker at the Friday Evening Service to be held January 4. 1957 at 8:30 P.M. He has chosen as the subject of his sermon: "What is Judaism."

Prior to accepting his present post in 1948, Dr. Mark was Rabbi of the Vine Street Temple in Nashville. Tennessee for 22 years. A graduate of the University of Cincinnati. he was ordained at the Hebrew Union College, which also conferred upon him the degree of Doctor of Divinity. He has also been honored by Cumberland University with the degree of Doctor of Laws and by the University of Tampa, with the degree of Doctor of Humanities.

Guest Speaker



DR. JULIUS MARK

Dr. Mark. a former president of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion Alumni Association. and a former chairman of the important Committee on Justice and Peace of the Central Conference of American Rabbis, is now serving as Visiting Professor of Homiletics and Practical Theology in the New York School of the Hebrew Union College. He also served as chairman of the Chicago Institute on Judaism, Management and Labor in 1947 and chairman of the St. Louis Institute on Judaism and Civil Rights in 1948.

Active in many religious and eommunal institutions. Dr. Mark is now ehairman of the Board of Trustees of the Hebrew Union School of Education and Saered Music. one of the Trustees of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies and honorary viee-president of The Lighthouse Assoeiation for the New York Blind. He is also a member of the Board of Chaplains of New York University, a direetor of the Housing and Planning Council of New York and serves on the Board of Direetors of the Synagogue Council of Ameriea. the New York Board of Rabbis, the New York Association for New Americans. Eastern Regional Board of the Anti-Defamation League. New York Chapter of the American Jewish Committee. the Jewish Coneiliation Board of Ameriea and the American

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College Youth Sabbath
Rabbi Kogen will preach on
"Messiah In Chains: Improving The World Of Tomorrow"

Saturday, Morning, December 29 .....9:30 A.M.
Rabbi Kogen will preach on "Candidates For Humanity"

Friday Evening, January 4 .....8:30 P.M.
Dr. Julius Mark, Guest Speaker, will speak on "What Is Judaism?"

Saturday Morning, January 5 .....9:30 A.M.
Rabbi Kogen will preach on "When to Cut An Ash Stick"

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SCHOOL RE-OPENS

The Hebrew Department of the Religious School will resume classes on Wednesday, January 2, 1957.

Students in the Primary Department will meet on Sunday, January 6, 1957.

Slate To Be Presented At Annual Election, January 13, 1957

The Board of Trustees at its recent meeting approved the report of the Nominating Committee proposing the following slate of officers and trustees for election at the annual congregational meeting to be held Sunday evening, January 13, 1957.

The entire slate was unanimously approved by the Nominating Committee, consisting of Nelson Ruttenberg, chairman, Hon. Bernard Botein, Samuel Lemberg, Israel B. Oseas and Milton Weill.

Joseph Howard Katz, Chairman of the Board; Dr. Seymour Wimpfheimer, Vice-chairman of the Board; Jacob Friedman, Honorary president; Jacob Klein, President; Saul Godwin, 1st Vice-president; Solomon R. Green, 2nd Vice-president; Nelson Ruttenberg, Treasurer; Milton Sivek, Associate Treasurer and Emanuel Rosenthal, Secretary.

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Solomon R. Green, Joseph Howard Katz, Gen. Melvin H. Krulewitch, Harold H. Levin, Arthur Ochs, Nelson Ruttenberg, Mrs. Freda Sack, Sidney J. Silverman, Milton M. Sivek, Harry J. Sokolow and Archie I. Thurman.

Trustees (two year term)

Mrs. Sigmund Siegel and Asa Sokolow.

Trustee (one year term)

Dr. Milton Helpern.

Calling All College Students Thursday, December 27

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

Once again, the Sisterhood Lounge and the Lemberg Auditorium will be the scene of merry-making, when the College Group gathers for cocktails, supper and dancing on Thursday, December 27, at 6:30 P.M.

All boys and girls who attend college or graduate school in New York or out of town are invited to this affair—a high light of the vacation period. If you have not received an invitation, it is because your name is not on our list, and it is suggested that you communicate immediately with the Synagogue office, EN 9-2600.

Those who attended last year's party will no doubt recall with pleasure what fun it was to see old friends and to exchange college experiences. Reunion time, yes, but also a time to make many new acquaintances.

Mrs. Harry Zucker, chairman, and Mrs. Nelson Ruttenberg, co-chairman, and their committee wil be in charge of the arrangements.

CALLING ALL COLLEGE STUDENTS ! The welcome mat will be out for you—so do come.

Reserve This Date
Friday Evening Service, January 11, 1957
which will be devoted to
JEWISH MUSIC MONTH
HAZZAN DAVID J. PUTTERMAN
is arranging the program

Sisterhood Operation-Projects

Following the gift of the Bride's Room to the Synagogue, Sisterhood has just purchased twenty-five bridge tables and pink tablecloths which many of you have seen at "The Members Cocktail Party".

If any of the affiliated groups want to follow Operation-Projects it is suggested that they communicate with Sidney R. Katz, our Executive Director, and they will get some excellent ideas on how they may also participate. The group will also have the personal satisfaction in seeing their project take on actual accomplishment.

Men's Club Dedicates Youth Activities Room

By HARVEY GLASSER

At Men's Club meeting of Tuesday, December 18, in the first such ceremony of its kind at the Milton Steinberg House, Men's Club officially dedicated the Men's Club Youth Activities Room located on the 5th floor of the new building. Hazzan David J. Putterman officiated at this colorful and meaningful event, making appropriate religious blessings and affixing a *mezuzah*.

On Tuesday, January 22, Men's Club will present a most unusual program. There will be a panel discussion of the subject: "Psychiatry, Sex and the Law." Dr. Edward Adelson will serve as chairman of the evening's program which will feature prominent psychiatrists and lawyers. Full details will be announced later.

Men's Club Board of Directors will next meet on Tuesday, January 8. The agenda for the meeting will include a full discussion of fiscal policies and future programming. Any member of Men's Club who would care to attend and to participate in this important discussion, please communicate with Corresponding Secretary, Harvey Glasser, 15 Park Row, New York City.

Moe Turman Birthday Party at Synagogue

The Milton Steinberg House of the Park Avenue Synagogue including the Lemberg Auditorium was the scene of an unusual event recently.

Moe Turman, loyal member of the Park Avenue Synagogue for many years, was given what had started out as a surprise birthday party by his wife Anne and before the evening was over some 375 persons surprised "Moe", including dignitaries representing various aspects of Moe Turman's Jewish and communal activities.

In thanking the Synagogue after the party, Mr. Turman wrote: "I certainly appreciate the birthday message of the Officers, the Board, the Cantor and the entire membership. As you know, the Park Avenue Synagogue is very near and dear to us and the fact that the party was held in a house named for Milton Steinberg gave it an added significance."

Congregational Dinner Meeting Sunday, January 13

By FREDA SACK

On Sunday, January 13, 1957 at 6 P.M. the Annual Congregational Cocktail Party and Dinner Meeting of the Park Avenue Synagogue will take place in the Lemberg Auditorium.

A full course Kosher Dinner catered by the Patrician Caterers will be served at the nominal price of $5.00 per person. The low cost of the dinner to our congregants is due to the fact that the Board of Trustees decided to defray some of the cost in order to promote a spirit of good fellowship among all of the Synagogue members.

A report of Synagogue activities will be presented by Ezra Cohen, retiring chairman of the Board of Trustees. Election of Trustees and of Officers will take place and their installation will follow. Installation is usually a colorful event and will give all of us an opportunity to become better acquainted with our official family as well as the Synagogue membership at large.

Since this is purely a Synagogue function, it is heartening to know that all arms of the Synagogue are cooperating through their appointed committees to make this evening an enjoyable one and an outstanding social event in the Synagogue history.

A letter informing the congregants of this function together with a reservation card were mailed and most likely received by the congregants by now.

Those unable to attend the dinner are invited to attend the annual meeting which will commence at approximately 8:30 P.M.

If you have not yet done so, please fill in the reservation card and return it at once to the Synagogue office or phone your reservation to our Executive Director, Sidney R. Katz, EN 9-2600.

SCHOOL RE-OPENS

The Hebrew Department of the Religious School will resume classes on Wednesday, January 2, 1957.

Students in the Primary Department will meet on Sunday, January 6, 1957.

General Krulewitch Honored by UJA

Major General Melvin H. Krulewitch, Vice-Chairman of our Board of Trustees, was the recipient of "Freedom Lamp" by the United Jewish Appeal, in recognition of his contribution to the cause of freedom, as a member of the Armed Forces, and as a civilian in communal and fraternal affairs.

In presenting the award to Gen. Krulewitch, who has been Chairman of the New York Council of the National Jewish Welfare Board for the past four years, Frank Weil, former national president of JWB said:

"Major General Mel Krulewitch is the kind of person to whom the word "freedom" has more than a casual meaning. He himself has seen action in three conflicts during which the United States has fought to preserve its freedom. He comes from a family whose tradition is a record of devotion to the cause of freedom and liberty.

"Mel has been a staiwart source of strength for Jewish Welfare Board—it is hardly necessary to tell this group of his achievements. His leadership of the JWB New York Council has been outstanding, and I would like to add that Mel is not new to our organization; he has been with JWB since World War I. And even in his work for JWB he serves UJA, since the New York UJA supports JWB in our city.

"The Freedom Lamp award therefore has a special significance for Mel Krulewitch; the original of this award was given to another American general who has always stood for the same ideals of freedom and liberty that we have—Dwight D. Eisenhower. In presenting this Freedom Lamp to Mel Krulewitch, we honor him as the possessor of those traits which mean most to us, as Americans and as Jews."

Reserve This Date

Friday Evening Service, JANUARY 11, 1957

which will be devoted to

JEWISH MUSIC MONTH

HAZZAN DAVID J. PUTTERMAN is arranging the program

Parents Association Appoints Class Mothers

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

The Parents Association of the Park Avenue Synagogue is happy to announce the appointment of the Class Mothers for the coming year. Mrs. Joseph Rubinstein is chairman and Mrs. Paul Miller, co-chairman of this very important phase of the Parents Association activities.

At all functions of the Religious School, the Class Mothers take an active part in planning and supervising parties for the children. They also conduct the *Kiddush* ceremony following the Junior Congregation service and are always ready to assist in supervising the social activities of the young people.

The Class Mothers for 1956-1957 are as follows:

Hebrew Department

Class 1A—Mrs. James Heller
Mrs. Monroe Meadow
Class 1B—Mrs. George Shapiro
Mrs. Irving Weinstein
Class 1N—Mrs. Joseph Dell
Class 2A—Mrs. Julius Kupferberg
Mrs. Bernard Shapiro
Class 2B—Mrs. Martin Clyman
Class 2T—Mrs. Samuel Kaufman
Mrs. Martin Miller
Class 3A—Mrs. Gabriel Pollitzer
Mrs. Helen Reeve
Class 3B—Mrs. Sidney Kreps
Mrs. Ethel Steinbach
Class 4sp—Mrs. Julius Fields

Primary Department

Class 1 —Mrs. Henry Schneider
Mrs. Samuel Wick
Class 2A—Mrs. Arthur Sohval
Mrs. Dorothy Weiss
Class 2B—Mrs. Lawrence Epstein
Mrs. Louis Kaplan
Class 3A—Mrs. James Leff
Mrs. Nathan Somberg
Class 3B—Mrs. Bernard Axelrod
Mrs. Stanley Greenwald
Class AA—Mrs. Daniel Beere
Mrs. Charles Kelman
Class 4B—Mrs. Evelyn Brevda
Mrs. Paul Hammer

Sisterhood News

By MRS. SAUL GRANETTS

A most interesting program is planned for the next meeting on January 15. Mrs. Helen Worth, of the famous cooking school of the same name, will speak on "Cooking Can Be Fun In Any Language". All members and friends are urged to attend.

Dr. Julius Mark Speaks

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Board of the World Union for Progressive Judaism. He also serves on the Council on Foreign Relations, the White House Conference on Education, the Mayor's Committee for Better Housing of the City of New York and the Rotary Club of New York City. Long active in the National Conference of Christians and Jews, he is chairman on its Committee on Books for Brotherhood.

During the period of July 1, 1942 to December 31, 1945, Dr. Mark served as a Chaplain in the United States Navy and during the last two years of World War II, he was Jewish Chaplain to the Pacific Fleet. At present he is on the retired list of U. S. Naval Reserve Chaplains.

We are grateful to Dr. Mark for having accepted our invitation to participate in our Diamond Jubilee Celebration and are looking forward to hearing him speak from our Pulpit.

As usual, there will be a short discussion period in the Lemberg Auditorium following the regular service and an *Oneg Shabbat*, to which all are invited.

Report On Hanukkah Party

By ARCHIE I. THURMAN

Those who missed our *Hanukkah* Party held in the Lemberg Auditorium Sunday evening, December 2, have much to regret.

This event which is now becoming traditional in the Park Avenue Synagogue was not only a great social success but provided many of our members an opportunity to fraternize with their fellow Congregants.

This was my first experience as Chairman of such an event and it made me realize the many dedicated men and women in our Synagogue who always contribute so graciously with their services and help to make these events such successful social functions.

Jon Silo performed in a most entertaining manner. His humerous comments and anecdotes kept the audience in constant laughter. He was accompanied by his wife at the piano and also prevailed upon his daughter Susan to sing several delightful numbers. In addition thereto Jacqueline Berman who might be referred to as the Jewish Burl Ives sang a repertory of songs both Israeli and Jewish and American that provided unusual entertainment for the audience.

Whatever success was achieved was due to the unsung heroes who assisted me and to them I give all credit; particularly to Mrs. Joseph Howard Katz, Mrs. Sigmund Siegel and Harry Dubin who were my Co-Chairmen and to Regina Stangel, Winnie Siegel, Frances Rubin, Bea Weisberg, Lillian Miller, Rhea Ruttenberg, Doris Rome, Belle Klein, Liza Foa, Letty Osserman who also served on my Committee.

New Librarian Engaged For Cohen Library

Asa Sokolow, chairman of the Library Committee, has announced the appointment of Mrs. Guido Kisch, as the new librarian for the Cohen Library.

This beautiful room, situated on the second floor of the Milton Steinberg House, was made possible through the generosity of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Cohen and their illustrious son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Isidore M. Cohen, all of whom have been consistent and devoted supporters of our synagogue for many years. Mr. I. M. Cohen, who was a former vice-president of the Park Avenue Synagogue, and who still serves as an active member of the Board of Trustees, has also generously contributed the sum of $10,000. for the purchase of new books to supplement the existing library.

Our new librarian has had a lifelong interest and participation in Jewish cultural activities. Mrs. Kisch is well qualified for her new post, having studied library organization in Switzerland, France and England. With her husband, who is the editor of *Judaica*, Mrs. Kisch has actively assisted him in the reorganization of two important University libraries in Europe. She also has helped in the organization of several congregational libraries. At present, Mrs. Kisch is completing a full catalogue and index of all the books in the library.

The Library Committee is now engaged in assembling new books covering many phases of Jewish life and interests. This is a challenging and stimulating undertaking and the committee hopes that the magnificent facilities now available will be used by the members of the Congregation, as well as by the students of the Religious School.

RESERVE THIS DATE
Sunday Evening 6:00 P.M.
January 13, 1957
Congregational Annual Meeting and Dinner
Lemberg Auditorium
Make your reservations as soon as possible.

Young Marrieds News

By FRED H. KRONES

The next meeting of the Young Marrieds on January 8 will be their intra-group forum. During the past several years, at least one meeting of each season has been set aside for selected members of the group to discuss their vocations or avocations. This year, Messrs. Dudley L. Greenstein and Fred Schoeffer will give some of the intricacies in the function of the stock market—how sales and purchases of stock by sellers and buyers at opposite ends of the country are executed almost simultaneously, etc. Mr. Ed Davidson will talk on the varied uses of plastics and the manufacture of this wonder product.

These meetings have always been most interesting and one of the best aids to the members in getting to know each other better.

Congratulations

Mr. and Mrs. Alex E. Arnstein—birth of grandson Andrew Seth Wilder.

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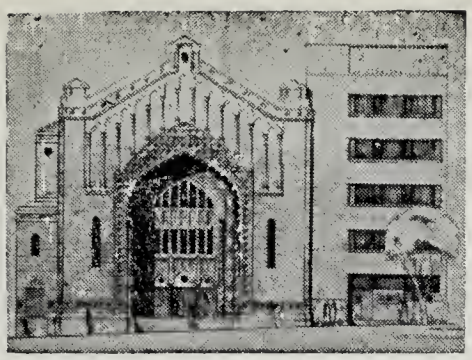

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Friday Evening Service, January 11, Devoted To Jewish Music Month; Dr. Hugo Weisgall, Speaker

LAST CALL

If You Plan to Attend the Dinner Preceding the

Annual Congregational Meeting

Sunday evening, January 13,

Be Sure to Make Your Reservation Immediately — Call

EN 9-2600

The Friday evening service to be held at the Park Avenue Synagogue, Friday, January 11, at 8:30 P.M. will be devoted to the celebration of Jewish Music Month. Hazzan David J. Putterman, who is identified with the Cantors Institute and also Director of the United Synagogue Department of Music, has arranged a most interesting program befitting the occasion. Our guest speaker will be Dr. Hugo Weisgall, chairman of the faculties of the Seminary College of Jewish Music and the Cantors Institute. The theme of the program will be "75 years of Synagogue Music in America", in commemoration of our own Diamond Jubilee celebration.

DR. HUGO WEISGALL

Hazzan Putterman has arranged a program of selections from the music of composers covering the past 75 years, and will be assisted by the Synagogue Choir and Mr. George Crook at the organ.

Dr. Weisgall, is the son of the noted Cantor Adolph Weisgall, of Baltimore. A graduate of Johns Hopkins University, from which institution he received his Ph.D. in German literature, Dr. Weisgall also studied at the Peabody Institute in Baltimore, and graduated from the Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia, where he majored in composition and conducting.

A well known composer and conductor, Dr. Weisgall has been guest conductor of orchestras here and abroad, including the London Symphony Orchestra, the London Philharmonic Orchestra, the BBC Symphony Orchestra, and the Baltimore String Symphony. He is the composer of a number of musical works, including the one-act opera "The Tenor". Recently, Columbia University awarded him the Ditson Commission to compose an American opera.

In 1954, Dr. Weisgall was awarded a citation for composition by the American Academy of Arts and Letters. The following year, he received a grant from the Guggenheimer Foundation to compose an opera, and is planning to work in Italy and in Israel. A recording of his

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College Students

The office is compiling a list of all students in the Congregation who are attending college or graduate schools.

Parents are urged to communicate with the Synagogue office by letter or telephone, giving us the name and address of your sons and daughters who are now attending any college or graduate school.

Chief Rabbi of Ireland, Guest Speaker, At Parents Association Sabbath Service

By Rhea M. Ruttenberg

DR. IMMANUEL JAKOBOVITS

The Parents Association of the Park Avenue Synagogue has been fortunate in securing Dr. Immanuel Jakobovits, Chief Rabbi of Ireland, as guest speaker for its special Friday evening service, January 18, at 8:30 P.M. Dr. Jakobovits will discuss "Modern Medico-Moral Problems as viewed by the various Religions."

When Ireland and Israel became republics in 1948, Dr. Jakobovits was called to his present post to succeed Dr. Israel Herzog, who then became the Chief Rabbi of Israel. During his visit to the United States, Dr. Jakobovits will be officially welcomed by the City of New York and by the Irish Ambassador in Washington. He has been invited to address the Midwinter Conference of the

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SCHEDULE OF RELIGIOUS SERVICES

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Jewish Music Month
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Saturday Morning, January 12 . . . . . 9:30 A.M.
Rabbi Kogen will preach "And Ye Shall Plant"

Friday Evening, January 18 . . . . . 8:30 P.M.
Parents Association Sabbath
Dr. Immanuel Jakobovits, Chief Rabbi of Ireland, Guest Speaker

Saturday Morning, January 19 . . . . . 9:30 A.M.
Rabbi Kogen will preach "The Beauties of Learning"

Rabbi Kogen will continue to function temporarily with Hazzan David J. Putterman officiating, assisted by the Synagogue Choir and George Crook at the organ.

Brandeis Centennial

Although the limitations of our BULLETIN do not permit an adequate review of the greatness of the late Mr. Justice Louis D. Brandeis, it is fitting that we should record the celebration of the centennial of his birth in our official publication.

In an article appearing in a recent issue of the American Zionist, "Were He Living Today", written by Hon. Benjamin V. Cohen, who was for many years, a close associate of the late Justice Brandeis, the writer points out, that:

> "Brandeis achieved Zionism and become a Zionist by choice and conviction only after profound study and reflection."

When the Balfour Declaration was issued in 1917, it was to Brandeis that Woodrow Wilson turned for guidance and advice. Brandeis' faith in the upbuilding of the Jewish National Homeland in the years that followed World War I played an important part in the future development of Palestine. Although Brandeis never lived to see the creation of the State of Israel, his faith in the fulfillment of the Jewish destiny never waivered.

But perhaps, Brandeis is universally recognized and acclaimed because of his greatness in an even larger field. As an exponent of the finest principles of American life, he displayed unusual courage in expounding a philosophy that did not always meet with the approval of many in high public places. In fact, it was because of this display of great moral courage, that he became such a controversial figure when he was nominated by Woodrow Wilson in 1916, as an Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court.

It was this search for the truth, however, that brought him recognition as a great moral force and which will accord him his proper place in the annals of history. As Mr. Cohen, so eloquently stated:

"While no man had greater respect and reverence than Brandeis for the good roots of American life, his study of the facts of modern industry and finance had convinced him that in many areas reforms were necessary. Brandeis was no dull or complacent conformist. He was not content to leave to others the risks and hardships of social and economic pioneering. He worked in and for causes in which he believed long before they became popular or accepted. He did not wait until victory was assured to take his stand. He did not shy away from people or causes because they were controversial. He did not curry the favor of the powerful or fear their wrath. His great concern was to live true to his own exactingly high standards.

"Brandeis did not hesitate to expose the evils he found in the management of public utilities, industry, banking and insurance or government. But he took no pleasure in the mere exposure of human frailities. His interest in the ills of our society was, like a physician's interest in disease, to find their cure. He was always seeking to find and work out constructive and practical solutions to problems. He sought solutions which would enable individuals and groups to advance their individual and group interests not by seeking unfair advantage over one another but by cooperating to advance their common interests. He was among the first to recognize and understand the essential interdependence of the interests of labor, management and the consuming public."

Sisterhood Notes

By MRS. SAUL GRANETTS

The most appealing and unusual program in the recent history of Sisterhood will be presented at the next regular open meeting on Tuesday, January 15, at noon. Mrs. Helen Worth, of the famous cooking school of the same name, will give a demonstration and lecture on the topic "Food Can Be Fun in Any Language".

Mrs. Worth, a well known expert in her line, believes that cooking knowledge means thrift. A good cook works imaginatively within a budget, buys the markets' seasonal best, stores food properly to keep it wholesome and fresh, makes the most of the ingredients on hand, and can blend leftovers into new dishes. In addition, she has a store of exciting recipes which she prepares, using work saving methods that reduce fatigue.

Mrs. Worth has successfully guided beginners and increased the culinary skill of experts. An authority on international cooking,—she is a food editor, a food consultant, appears on television and has written cook books and magazine articles.

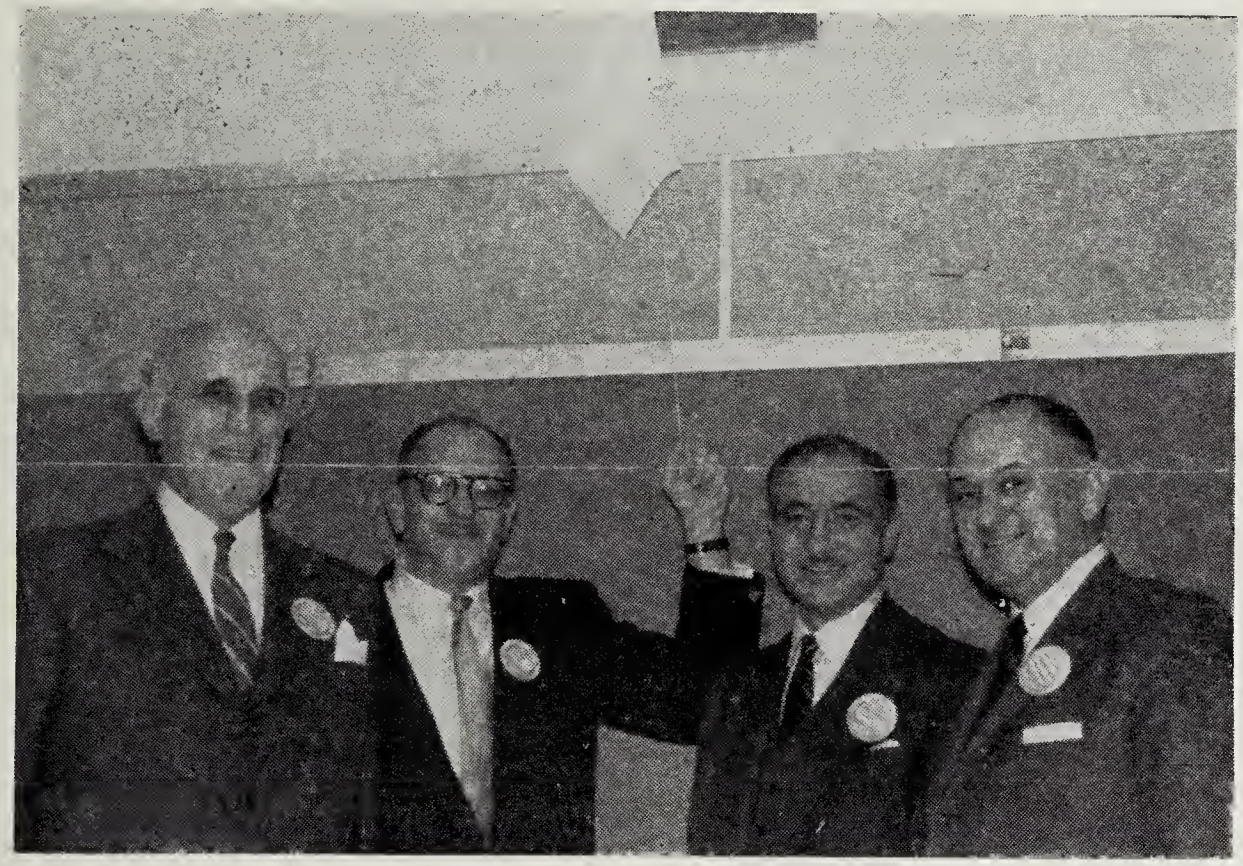
The program promises to be educational, stimulating and enjoyable.

The usual resume of Jewish current events and book reviews will be offered in capsule form by Mrs. Solomon E. Green.

All members and friends are cordially invited to be Sisterhood's guests at luncheon.

Dedication of Youth Activities Room

Milton M. Sivek, president of Men's Club of Park Avenue Synagogue, unveiling the plaque at the dedication ceremonies of the Youth Activities Room on the 5th floor of the Milton Steinberg House, presented by the Men's Club.



(*left to right*) Ezra Cohen, chairman of the Board of Trustees, Mr. Sivek, Joseph H. Katz, former president of Men's Club, and Hazzan David J. Putterman, who pronounced the blessings and affixed the Mezuzah.

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Parents Ass'n Sabbath

Rabbinical Council of America, and to speak at several colleges throughout the country.

An experienced lecturer, and a contributor to the American Jewish Medical Journal and many other scientific and rabbinical publications, Dr. Jakobovits is a recognized authority on the relationship of Judaism and medicine. His treatise, "Jewish Medical Ethics", published in coordination with London University, from which he was graduated, ranks as the standard work in its field. The founder of Stratford College in Ireland and the Jewish Marriage Education Committee of Great Britain, Dr. Jakobovits has been honored several times by the Irish Government for his active participation in international Jewish affairs.

Several members of the Parents Association will participate in the reading of the prayers. Following the services, Dr. Jakobovits will speak in the Lemberg Auditorium, after which the usual Oneg Shabbat will be held. All are invited to attend.

Reserve this Date
Friday Evening, February 1
Sisterhood Sabbath Service

Religious School News

Bar Mitzvah Orientation

Mr. Leichtling, principal of the Religious School, will conduct the opening session of the Bar Mitzvah Orientation Course on Wednesday, January 16, 1957 at 5:15 P.M. in room 300 of the Milton Steinberg House.

In a series of successive Wednesday meetings, the group will study the historical background of the ceremony, its significance in modern life, and its role in the educational and religious growth of the young person.

All boys and girls, who will be Bar Mitzvah or Bas Mitzvah before July 1957 are required to attend the course.

Open School Week

Open School Week has been proclaimed by the Jewish Education Committee during the period of Tu B'Shevat, January 14 to January 20.

The students of the Primary School will play host to their parents on Sunday, January 20. Parents are invited to observe the instruction in the classes and to discuss the work of the students with the teachers.

Parents of students in the Hebrew Department may visit the classes any afternoon during Open School Week and are also invited to join in worship with the members of the Junior Congregation on Saturday, January 19.

Proposed Slate of Officers and Trustees To Be Presented at Annual Meeting

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(For 1 year)

Dr. Milton Helpern

Jewish Music Month

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opera, "The Stronger", with Adelaide Bishop singing the title role, has just been released by Columbia Records.

Currently, Dr. Weisgall, is the director of the Hilltop Musical Company, a lecturer at Johns Hopkins University, and the choral director of the Chizuk Amuno Congregation in Baltimore.

Following the services, an Oneg Shabbat will be held in the Lemberg Auditorium, to which all are cordially invited.

Congressman Emanuel Celler
Will be our Guest Speaker
at Friday Evening Services
January 25

College Party Huge Success

By HYMAN SANKEL

The Second Annual College Party was held Thursday evening, December 28, in the Lemberg Auditorium. The attendance far surpassed our expectations, except that the boys exceeded the girls in number, a factor which members of the feminine sex should make note of for next year. There were cocktails and food in abundance. There was also dancing.

It was a gala occasion and the boys and girls renewed old friendships. Everyone seemed very happy to greet old companions and many new friendships were made. Mrs. Harry Zucker, chairman of the party, together with Mrs. Nelson Ruttenberg, co-chairman, did a superb job of planning and conducting the entire affair. Mr. David Altschul acted as official bartender with the able assistance of Mr. Albert Siegel. Other members who served on the committee were Edith Altschul, Lisa Foa, Lillian Helpern, Winnie Siegel and Beatrice Weisberg.

The Youth Activities Division is greatly indebted to all those who helped to maintain the ties between the Synagogue and our college youth—and making the ties so very pleasant.

Sunday Morning Seminars To Resume January 13

Mr. Saul Godwin, Chairman of the Adult Education Committee, announced that the second series of Sunday morning Seminars will begin on January 13 at 10:30 A.M. Entitled "Our Jewish Heritage in the Modern World," these Seminars will consider ways of making the teachings of Judaism relevent to the needs of modern Jewish men and women. They will be under the leadership of Dr. Arthur Hyman, a member of the Faculty of Dropsie College and a University Seminar Associate at Columbia University.

The following topics have been chosen for the second series:

Sunday, January 13—Jewish Ethics in our Daily Lives

Sunday, January 20—Patterns of Religious Observances

Sunday, January 27—Sanctifying the Home

Sunday, February 3—Good and Evil: The Jewish View of Human Nature

The Parents of our Religious School children, as well as members of the community at large, are cordially invited to attend these Seminars.

Congratulations

Mr. and Mrs. Harry A. Dubin—Marriage of son Ronald to Marjorie Angstreich

Congregational Meeting Sunday, January 13

Notice of the annual meeting of the Congregation of the Park Avenue Synagogue has been sent to all the members. This meeting which is scheduled for Sunday evening, January 13, at 8:30 P.M. will be preceded by a Cocktail Party and Dinner which will start at 6:30 P.M. Those unable to attend the dinner may attend the business meeting at 8:30 P.M.

The business of the meeting will include the election of officers and trustees, the installation which follows, the reading of the revised set of By-Laws which has been mailed to every congregant, and the report of Ezra Cohen, chairman of the Board of Trustees, whose term of office expires.

"Psychiatry, Sex And the Law", January 22, at Men's Club

By HARVEY GLASSER

Dr. Edward Adelson, well known psychiatrist, will discuss "Psychiatry, Sex and the Law" at the January 22 meeting of the Men's Club to be held in the Lemberg Auditorium of the Park Avenue Synagogue. The meeting will commence at 8:30 P.M.

Men's Club is indeed fortunate to count Dr. Edward Adelson as one of its members. With a long and extensive background in psychiatry, Dr. Adelson is eminently qualified on the topic to be discussed. He is a graduate of Cornell University Medical College and served his psychiatric residency at Pilgrim State Hospital.

At present, Dr. Adelson is a Fellow of the Medical-Legal psychiatry unit of the NYU College of Medicine and is a psychiatrist with the psychiatric division of Bellevue Hospital. Dr. Adelson is also acting Director of Essex County Mental Hygiene Clinics.

David Altschul, a member of the Board of Directors of the Men's Club, will act as moderator of the evening's discussion and will define the legal problems involved. All members of Men's Club and their male friends will not want to miss what will undoubtedly be one of the most interesting meetings of the year.

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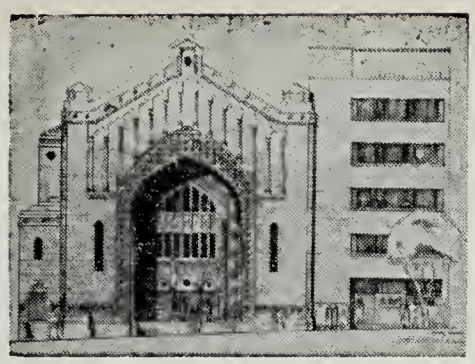

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Joseph Howard Katz Elected Chairman of Board At Annual Congregational Meeting, January 13

Over 250 members attended the 75th annual congregational meeting of the Park Avenue Synagogue, which was held Sunday evening, January 13, in the Lemberg Auditorium. Joseph Howard Katz, a former vice chairman of the Board of Trustees, was unanimously elected its chairman for the ensuing year.

JOSEPH HOWARD KATZ

Joseph Howard Katz, the new chairman of the Board, has been actively identified with the Park Avenue Synagogue for many years. Since 1951, he has been a member of the Board of Trustees, having served for a period of two years prior thereto, on the Advisory Council to the Board. In 1953, he was elected vice chairman of the Board and became its acting chairman in 1954. As president of our Men's Club from 1949 through 1953, he was the directing force that has made it one of the outstanding units in the Federation of Men's Clubs. He brings to his new post, a wealth of knowledge and experience, having served on almost every committee connected with any phase of synagogue activity. This understanding of the administration of synagogue affairs and the problems confronting the Park Avenue Synagogue should prove most helpful in enabling him to achieve the hope he expressed, in accepting this new honor: "To strengthen the influence not only of our own Park Avenue Synagogue but of Synagogues generally in our New York community."

Dr. Seymour Wimpfheimer, a member of the Board, and now serving as chairman of the Park Avenue Synagogue Committee for the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies, was chosen vice chairman of the Board. Dr. Wimpfheimer and his family have long been loyal and devoted members of our Congregation.

The slate presented by the Nominating Committee which had been approved by the Board included the following additional officers who were also elected: Jacob Klein, President; Saul Godwin,

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Mrs. Benton, Speaker, at Sisterhood Sabbath, Feb. 1

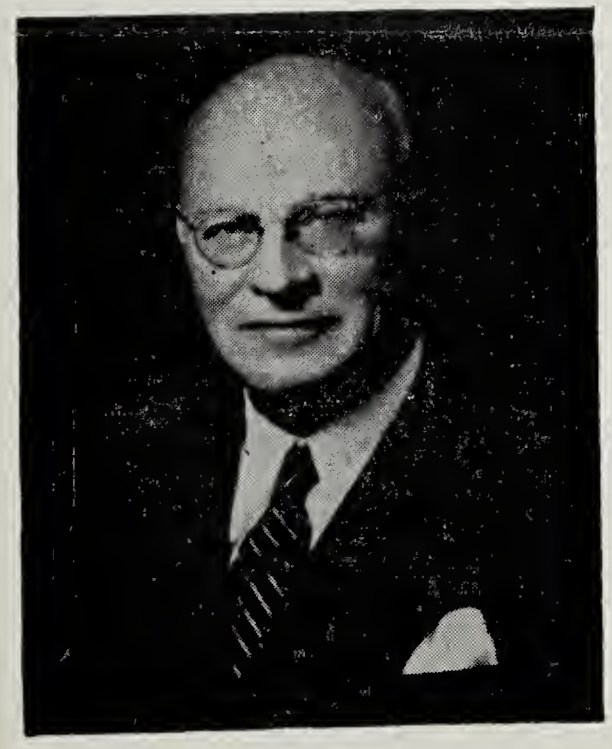
By Mrs. Saul Granetts

Mrs. Juliette P. Benton, well known lecturer, and a member of Park Avenue Synagogue, will be the guest speaker for Sisterhood Sabbath which will be observed at the Friday Evening Services on February 1. She will speak on "The Great Ages and Ideas of the Jewish People."

Several members of Sisterhood will participate in the reading of the prayers. They will include: Mrs. Irwin H. Rome, acting president of Sisterhood, Mrs. Solomon E. Green, Mrs. Abel H. Phillips, Mrs. Tubie Resnick, and Mrs. Benjamin Sack.

Following the services, the members are invited to attend a discussion period that will take place in the Lemberg Auditorium and the usual Oneg Shabbat.

Congressman Emanuel Celler, Guest Speaker, At Friday Evening Service, January 25



HON. EMANUEL CELLER

At the Friday Evening Service to be held Friday, January 25, at 8:30 P.M., our guest speaker will be Congressman Emanuel Celler. He is no stranger to our Congregation, having spoken from our Pulpit on several occasions. He has chosen as his topic, "The Jew in Congress", a subject with which he is quite familiar, after serving in the House of Representatives over three decades, as a Representative from the 11th Congressional District in Brooklyn, N. Y.

Elected in 1923, Congressman Celler served as Chairman of the House Committee on the Judiciary from 1949 through 1952, when he had to relinquish that post as a result of the Republican majority taking over the organization of the lower House. In 1955, the Democrats

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In Memoriam

It is with a feeling of deep grief that we announce the passing of Jacob Friedman, who served as president of the Park Avenue Synagogue from 1917 to 1946, when he was elected as Honorary President, a position which he held until the time of his death.

Uncle Jacob, as he was so affectionately known to all our congregants, devoted himself to our Synagogue during the early periods of crisis, with a courage and faith, that was an inspiration to those who were associated with him in carrying on the tradition of our institution.

To Betty, his beloved wife, and to Frances Peiper, his loving daughter, and to the other members of his family, go our heartfelt sympathy and condolence.

Services were held at the Park Avenue Synagogue, Tuesday, January 15, at 11:00 A.M.

"An Apologia"

In the previous issue of the Bulletin, we published the announcement that the Chief Rabbi of Ireland would be the guest speaker at the Parents Association Sabbath Services, January 18.

After going to press, the Bulletin was informed that Dr. Jakobovits, Chief Rabbi of Ireland, would be unable to attend our Friday Evening Service, as a result of which, it was necessary to obtain another speaker. Time did not permit the change to be made in the printed issue of the Bulletin.

Mrs. Herman Helpern, president of Parents Association, succeeded in making arrangements for the appearance of Mr. Meyer Levin, author of the best-seller "Compulsion", a book based on the famous Leopold-Loeb case of a generation ago. Mr. Levin spoke on "An End to Jewish Self-Hatred."

Congregational Meeting

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1st vice-president; Solomon E. Green, 2nd vice-president; Nelson Ruttenberg, Treasurer; Milton M. Sivek, Associate Treasurer; and Emanuel Rosenthal, Secretary.

Six new trustees were elected to the Board: Solomon E. Green, Sidney J. Silberman, Milton M. Sivek, for a 3-year term: Mrs. Sigmund Siegel, Asa Sokolow, for a 2-year term: and Dr. Milton Helpern, for a 1-year term. Also re-elected to the Board for an additional term were the following: Joseph Howard Katz, Gen. Melvin L. Krulewitch, Harold H. Levin, Arthur Oehs, Nelson Ruttenberg, Mrs. Freda Sack, Harry J. Sokolow, Archie I. Thurman, each for a 3-year term. Hon. Samuel R. Gold, a Justice of the New York Supreme Court, and a member of our Congregation, acted as the installing officer. His humorous stories kept the guests in constant laughter and contributed to the gaiety of the occasion.

A dinner preceded the business meeting which was one of the best attended meetings in years. Mrs. Freda Sack. chairman, and her able committee, were responsible for the excellent arrangements made for this function. All agreed that the gay, festive spirit that prevailed enabled members of the congregation to socialize with their friends and fellow congregants and become better acquainted with the new members. Rabbi David C. Kogen, who has been officiating during this interim period, delivered the invocation and said the blessing. Hazzan David J. Putterman sang the National Anthem and Hatikvah and said grace after the meal.

The meeting was called to order by Jacob Klein, who was re-elected president for the seventh consecutive time. He then turned over the gavel to Ezra Cohen, chairman of the Board, who retired after serving two terms, and who submitted a comprehensive report of the synagogue activities during the past year. His report is published in full in the Bulletin. (page 3) Before relinquishing his office, Ezra Cohen presented a new gavel to Joseph Howard Katz, with the name of the new chairman beautifully inscribed thereon.

The new revised set of By-Laws prepared by the By-Law Committee, under the chairmanship of Hon. Sanford H. Cohen, was also presented for first reading.

Congressman Celler

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again regained control and he resumed the Chairmanship of this important House Committee. His long service in the House of Representatives has made him thoroughly conversant with pressing political issues.

Congressman Celler has made several trips to Israel since his first visit in 1948, and has lectured to many audiences throughout the country on the new problems facing Israel. In 1954, he visited North Africa, Italy and Spain, in regard to the refugee and immigration problems in these countries. Author of the Displaced Persons Act, and vitally interested in the Refugee Relief Act, Congressman Celler visited Greece, Austria and Germany, in 1955, to see how these measures were being applied. He has opposed vigorously the restrictive provisions of the McCarran-Walter Immigration and Nationalities Act and has always been found in the forefront of the battle against prejudice and bigotry.

Although his legislative duties make great demands on his time, Congressman Celler has never severed his active association with many charitable, welfare and communal organizations. He is now serving as Chairman of the Board of the American Red Mogen Dovid and is also a Director of the Jewish National Fund.

Following the services, there will be a short discussion period in the Lemberg Auditorium and the usual Oneg Shabbat, to which all are invited.

Milton M. Sivek, president of the Men's Club, presented to the Synagogue, a lectern for use in the Lemberg Auditorium, as a gift from our Men's Club. Only recently, the Youth Activities Room on the fifth floor of the Milton Steinberg House was dedicated by the Men's Club, in recognition of its contribution of $15,000 to the Milton Steinberg Memorial Fund.

With the incoming of the new administration, it is hoped that we will close our ranks and devote and direct our efforts to the future development and strengthening of our instituton, so that the Park Avenue Synagogue may coninue to hold the high place it does in the Conservative Movement of Judaism. It is for each of us to dedicate himself to this noble undertaking.

Report of Ezra Cohen, Chairman of Board of Trustees Submitted to Annual Congregational Meeting, January 13, 1957

The general program and the activities of the Park Avenue Synagogue are many and varied. It would be quite impossible in the short space of time available to describe even a small part of the work of the various committees and affiliate organizations. The sketchy summarization that is necessary, is really a great injustice to each and every one. Should any member be interested in any particular phase or phases of the Synagogue work, the detailed reports of these committees are available at the Synagogue office and you may arrange to read them, if you will get in touch with Sidney Katz, our Executive Director.

In all frankness, in the situation in which we find ourselves, bereft as we are of permanent spiritual leadership, it would naturally follow that much of the program, much of the functioning would tend to be impaired, to be slowed up, and/or to be off kilter. But the most amazing part of it is, that almost every activity is functioning to the utmost of its possibility. Accomplishments steadily surpass all previous goals and an enthusiasm is developed and maintained in spite of, but may be because of, the handicaps which do exist. No picture could reach total perfection under such conditions. Yet there is but a minute part of the program that lags slightly, and then it is only because the particular activity is dependent upon rabbinical inspiration and guidance, to a much greater degree than all the others.

We have twenty active Committees and several others who function at various unscheduled times. There are five affiliate organizations. The following will give an idea of what transpires.

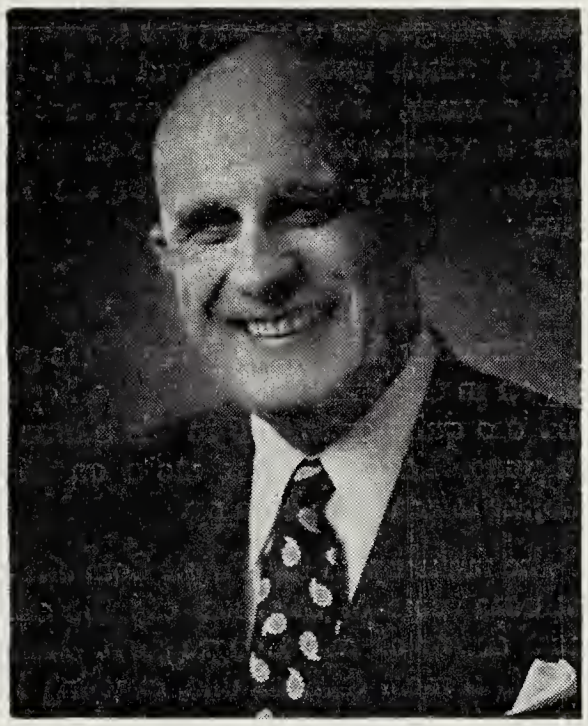
Adult Education Committee

This committee has concentrated intensively on guests for the Friday evening Services as an important part of the program celebrating our 75 years as a Synagogue. The list of speakers who have appeared include many outstanding Rabbis, Ministers and laymen of national reputation. Its program of Adult Education included Monday night classes and Sunday morning courses. This Committee has done an outstanding piece of work, operating as it did under especially difficult circumstances.

Building Committee

The work of this Committee is practically complete. During the year there was literally a mopping up job the like of which has not previously had a counterpart.

The interior of the Synagogue and the Lemberg Auditorium were renovated and beautified. The finishing touches have been applied all through the Milton Steinberg House. The donors' plaques have been put in their places and whatever slight details remain, are in the process of consummation. This has been an arduous task requiring daily attention, consultation and watchfulness, particularly on the part of its Chairman, who was known to have spent day after day for months, to see that everything moved as swiftly as possible to its final state and in time for the High Holy Day Services. The untiring and intensive Chairman of both the Adult Education and Building Committees is Saul Godwin, whom we will ask to rise to be acknowledged.



EZRA COHEN
Chairman of Board, 1955-1957

Bulletin Committee

This is practically a one man job and is performed by its chairman who also doubles as its editor. The Bulletin, now in its eleventh year, published twice a month is read far and wide and it is surprising how many there are, outside the regular membership, who keep posted on Park Avenue Synagogue news through the medium of the Bulletin. This is a good paper and a real credit to its editor—Nelson Ruttenberg.

Catering Committee

Nelson Ruttenberg is also Chairman of the Catering Committee. It has taken a little time to work out policies and formulas which affect a very important source of income for the Synagogue. Things are now functioning on an improvingly satisfactory basis so that the use of Synagogue facilities for marriages, Bar Mitzvahs and other functions of celebration is of a weekly nature and may take on a daily aspect very soon. In addition to the Chairmanship of these two Committees, Nelson finds time to act as Treasurer of the Synagogue and Chairman of its Nominating Committee which you will hear from later. Meanwhile we will ask him to rise and be recognized.

By-Laws Committee

This Committee has been doing one of the real arduous tasks that was a dire necessity and perhaps previously delayed a little too long. The By-Laws badly needed being brought up to date. Some of its provisions had long since outlived their usefulness and by their very nature presented a handicap in the quick functioning required in these modern times. Besides it was necessary to add a number of stipulations in order to set up regulations for new circumstances which had not been anticipated years ago.

This Committee is composed of a whole barrage of top legal and lay talent. After beginning their work in the heat of the summer, they met practically every week to go over, minutely, every sentence, word and comma to finally pound out a new set of By-Laws.

The Chairman of the Committee who spear-headed this gruelling effort was Judge Sanford H. Cohen and we are grateful indeed to him and the efforts of his Committee.

Will he please rise and be greeted.

Cemetery Committee

This Committee has been newly organized. A detailed survey will be made of the present Cemetery facilities and it will also study the possibility of acquiring new properties.

Law Committee

This Committee passes upon authority and is consulted particularly by your chairman whenever he is in doubt as to the legality of proceedure.

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Its opinions help not only to keep the balance but to avoid what otherwise might develop into situations of error and embarrassment. Both the new Cemetery Committee and the Law Committee are chaired by Sidney J. Silberman. Will he kindly rise and be recognized.

Library Book Selection Committee

The work of this Committee is slowly and carefully being rounded out so that we shall soon have access to a fine operating and well managed library.

The generosity of Isidore M. Cohen, a member of our Board of Trustees, and whose family have been loyal and devoted members of our Synagogue for many years, and the practice on the part of many members of the Congregation of making contributions to the Library Fund to purchase new books which are inscribed in honor of some of their friends or family, have made possible what will soon become a fine collection.

The Library is now and will in the future be maintained and supervised by Mrs. Guido Kisch who is a capable Librarian with a comprehensive background in Jewish cultural life. The Library is open to all members and their children and you are urged to avail yourself of its use.

The Chairman of this Committee is Asa Sokolow, who with his Committee is perfecting one of those quiet unsung but extremely effective jobs. Asa is now abroad, but note is duly taken of his Chairmanship and the work of his Committee.

Committee on Arts and Decorations

This is a consulting Committee. On so many occasions donations of a physical nature are made to the Congregation. Some of them are acceptable and others are not of the kind which just fit into the general decor. Members of the Synagogue who have a background which enables them to make decisions of an aesthetic nature make up the composition of this Committee. Likewise, they consider and advise on any changes or additions to the general appearance of the various sections and interiors of the institution.

The Chairman of this Committee is Mrs. Milton Sivek, and she will be assisted by a number of our members in related fields of the creative arts.

Finance Committee

You have heard on numerous occasions that the general finances of the Synagogue are in good shape. However there is still a sizeable deficit in the Milton Steinberg Building Fund which we hope on an early occasion to eliminate in ways to be devised at the time.

With the acquisition of the Milton Steinberg House and the additional services and facilities available, the expense of up-keep has necessarily mounted. This wll be taken care of in a good measure by increased income from membership which has already taken effect partially and will continue in the future.

The Finance Committee prepares the yearly budget, an exacting job which requires much knowledge and skill. In this manner, the affairs of our institution are steadied to a degree of satisfactory stability and safety for the future.

Pulpit Committee

Everybody is interested in what is going on in this area. We have high hopes and are quite optimistic in the ultimate outcome. You will hear more on this subject later in the evening.

The make up of the Pulpit Committee includes some of the most capable and most active of our Congregants. Their task is a most delicate one, exacting in its detail, requiring sagacity and judgment at every turn and at every move. Theirs is a very difficult and time consuming effort which calls on the full talent and ability of every one of its members. Each one has given of his time to attend numerous meetings and conferences, some at short notice and others at just a moments notice.

The hard working Chairman of his Committee as well as the Finance Committee is Ben Sack. It was my good fortune to serve under him for five years as Vice-Chairman when he was Chairman of the Board. During all that time and ever since right up to the present, Ben Sack has never turned down an assignment, no matter how large or small, no matter how difficult. And now he is still functioning with full energy, dogged determination and an unswerving devotion to the Steinberg ideal.

It is with a profound respect and deep appreciation that Ben Sack is asked to rise and accept the plaudits and thanks of the members here assembled.

House Committee

The House Committee is in control of the work-a-day functioning of the Synagogue and the Milton Steinberg House. It is its business to assure an orderly, spic and span, comfortable physical set up. At the same time, it must provide for replacement and repairs to assure no interruption or interference with any of the multitude of activities continually operating. That this has been done with a maxmum of efficiency and good organization is a credit to the Committee and its chairman, Morty Millheiser. Will he rise, please.

School Board

To reduce the report of the activities of the Religious School is a process which is not only most unfair but grossly impractical. This summary must of necessity be limited to just a few comments. Under the circumstances, we will do the best we can, but, in the process, it will be wholly inadequate. The Religious School of the Park Avenue Synagogue is one of the finest of its kind in the whole country. It operates on a seven day basis. There are classes every day of the week including Saturdays and on Sundays, and the Milton Steinberg House is already inadequate. Not only is every room jam pack full but the overflow of special classes, has to be crammed into the Rabbis Study, the Cantor's Study, the Trustee Room and the office of the Chairman of the Board. It has been suggested already there may be need now to consider, if possible, an annex to the Milton Steinberg House.

The school maintains a curriculum of the very highest standards under the expert direction of its Principal, Mr. Martin Leichtling. His leadership through the years has been a strengthening influence of those moral and spiritual values which make for better living within the American community. The School Board, the Parents, the Teachers, all have assumed an attitude of responsibility for the moral and spiritual growth of our children in keeping with the American tradition of separation of Church and State.

This year a High School Department has been added so that religious education need not be culminated at Bar Mitzvah. This effort, though just starting, has all the aspects of full success and steady growth.

The School Board looks to the future with the hope that the Park Avenue

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Synagogue may continue to strengthen and expand its educational program so as to satisfy in greater and greater degree, the needs of the children and young people in the community.

Planning Committee

Something new has been added which has gone a great way toward a solution of a problem that has been with us for years. We are now able to plan ahead.

In the month of May the Committee meets and draws up for the approval of the Board of Trustees a program with actual dates for all the major Synagogue functions for the entire Liturgical Year. After approval of the Board, the Planning Committee meets at regular intervals. It takes steps to implement the program. It selects the make up of the various Committees to be suggested to the Board Chairman. It outlines what should be the object and purpose of each event and in general supervises and coordinates the Synagogue events and celebrations. Advance care is taken to avoid conflicting dates, duplication of activity and any situations which might result in difficulty and embarrassment.

The major events and observances are now operated as Synagogue projects with representation on each of the Committees from all of the arms of the institution. The result of this new approach has been a complete success. Every event thus far has proved a most delightful experienee. Each was intelligently planned, well exccuted and full satisfaction and enjoyment was realized by large attendances.

This evening's turn out is but on example. Forthcoming events to complete the years activity are: The Annual Purim Party—Saturday evening, March 16, Howard Kieval, Chairman of the Arranging Committee; The 7th Yahrzeit of Rabbi Milton Steinberg—Friday Evening, April 5. The Diamond Jubilee Celebration—Sunday afternoon and evening, March 31 under the Chairmanship of Milton Weill. Second Night Passover Seder—April 16. The Seder will be under the Chairmanship of Mrs. Belle Green. The 13th Annual Service of New Liturgical Music—Friday Evening, May 24 under the direction of our own Hazzan David J. Putterman.

Both the School Board and the Planning Committee is chaired by an ever so capable personality who always gets things done in an erudite and consummate fashion. Will Mrs. Phyllis Siegel please rise and be acknowledged.

Youth Activities Committee

If you want to have a heartwarming experience, just interest yourself and become a little familiar with the recently established youth activity program of this Synagogue. Although only two years old, under the expert direction of Mr. Hyman Sankel, the numbers continue to increase and the scope of activity expands to the point where the limit of membership has long since been reached. The waiting list to join continues to grow and we are compelled of necessity to limit participation to teen-agers who are from the families of Synagogue members.

To review sketchily the various activities could not begin to convey adequately the detail and the nature of the program. It begins with children of seven years of age in the Girl and Boy Scout groups, Cubs and Brownies, and goes through Teen-Agers A B C D and continues on with a Study Group, newspaper group and a college group. The latter is the largest single unit. Actually there are 437 in the registration in 14 groups or clubs with 8 leaders plus the director and a part time clerical aid.

The program of each group is different from the others, according to age and type of activity. Nevertheless all are beamed in the general direction of personality development, character formation, ethical standards, ideals of service and self discipline. Leadership training is an important function. These social aspects are stressed on a healthy and intelligent level of approach and the cultural, ceremonial, and recreational events that follow are of a constructive and meaningful nature. Spearheading the activity of this important work is a devoted Committee who have their hearts in every phase of the work. Will Mrs. Lillian Helpern its Chairman, please rise to be acknowledged.

Membership Committee

Here is a group of men who actually sweat it out. Most of their work is done during the heat of the summer when the rest of us are taking it easy or on extended vacations. This is a job that takes on the aspect of dogged determination to see it through, night by night and week by week so that everything is all set-up and well in hand by the time the High Holy Days begin.

Each and every application for membership requires an interview. There are always changes in location of seats and adjustments that have to be made. By and large the membership of the Synagogue has cooperated admirably to solve many of the difficult problems that arose and continue to arise at all times.

Largely because of changes in minimum rates, necessitated by the increased expense in operating the enlarged institution, the Committee was successful in increasing the income from dues by upward of $17,000. Further enhancement of income will be the program for the future to take care of all the existing monetary requirements. The membership roster remains between 700 and 750 families with the regular 7% or 8% of changes made up by new applications each year.

The hard working and at times much harassed. Chairman of this hard working Committee, is Harry J. Sokolow. Will he please rise to be recognized.

Ritual Committee

This Committee has to do with the organization and nature of the services. It is concerned with religious standards to be maintained in both the Synagogue and Milton Steinberg House. Its procedure has to be careful and cautious because of the sensative and delicate nature of the situations that arise.

The Chairman of this important Committee is Sol Green and he has performed his duties with a commendable tact and diplomacy. Will he rise.

Ushering Committee

The ushering at all Synagogue Services on all the Holy Days, Holidays and Sabbath has been taken over by the Men's Club as one of its particular projects. We have already witnessed the wonderful progress achieved in making the ushering as smooth and immaculate as is possible to arrange.

The object is for ushering to be a pleasant and impressive way to welcome every one entering the Synagogue, greeting them with cordiality and warmth and escorting them to their seats. Briefing sessions as to the essentials connected with proper demeanor, uniform neat attire, avoidance of confusion and maintenance of the dignity of the Service atmosphere, are held at regular intervals. It is the intention of the Men's Club to make membership on the Ushering staff of the Synagogue a privilege and an honor accorded to those who particularly regard ushering as a very important part of the decorum of the Services.

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The Chairman of the Ushering Committee, who has taken over the leadership of this work with zest and enthusiasm, is Dr. Sigmund Siegel. Will he rise please.

General

In summarizing the work of each Committee and affiliates, the custom is to ask the Chairman to rise and be acnowledged in behalf of his or her Committee. This is a procedure that has come to be traditional. There seems to be no better way of taking into account the important contribution made by the committee and each of its individual members.

An analogy might be cited in sports to illustrate the point. In a football game most of the glory goes to the ball carriers. They are the ones who are mentioned by name. They get the credit for the ground gained. But every backfield runner will tell you that it's the linesmen who make everything possible. Without a good strong line no halfback could ever star. Yet every man in that line is keyed up to give everything he has. He knows full well he never can hope for much praise no matter how effective he is. But that feature never enters his mind. It's the team effort that is his concern, and he does his individual job as part of the team putting every ounce of resourcefulness and energy into it.

Our Committees work in the same spirit. The team work is what achieves these fine results. So that when a Committee Chairman is mentioned, the plaudits are for the Committee as a whole.

Sisterhood

The Sisterhood continues its threefold policy of service to the community, the Synagogue and to its own members. This takes on many forms and shades of activity which keeps the program lively and effective throughout the year.

Noteworthy among the regular events was the Brunch and Theatre Party on November 28th under the sponsorship of Mrs. Siegel, Mrs. Phillips and Mrs. Rome. The affair was its usual success, with a very fine program at the Brunch and a very good performance at the theatre. Financially it was equally successful with a net of $6.500 resulting.

The presentation of the "Bride's Room" to the Synagogue, completely furnished, in exquisitely good taste, is a most valuable addition to attract bridal couples to hold their weddings at the Park Avenue Synagogue. It is much appreciated and we are thankful for this thoughtful and practical gift from the Sisterhood.

The President of the Sisterhood will shortly leave with Dr. Karmiol on a trip around the world and we all join in wishing them God speed and a most pleasant and gratifying experience. Will Mrs. Gertrude Karmiol please rise and be greeted.

Men's Club

The Men's Club continues to increase in effectiveness steadily each year with well attended meetings and an outstanding and varied program of events.

During the past year there has been held the 9th Annual Political Forum in which 12 of the leading candidates including Mayor Wagner appeared before an attendance of 400. On another occasion there was provocative discussion on the subject of "U. S. Policy in the Middle East" which was attended by Congressmen Irwin Davidson, Frederick R. Coudert and publisher Seymour Berkson of the Journal-American, as moderator. There was a Father and Son night with Nat Holman as guest, a Ladies Night which was a real highlight, and on another occasion a moving address by Rabbi Gilbert Klaperman on "The Plight of the Jew Behind the Iron Curtain."

As forementioned, the Men's Club has taken over Ushering as a special project and will assume full responsibility for its proper functioning.

The dedication of the Men's Club Youth Activities Room on the fifth floor of the Milton Steinberg House took place on December 18 and the Mazuzah was affixed with proper ceremony. The Lectern presentation you have just witnessed.

The President of the Men's Club is Milton Sivek who leads with enthusiasm and distinction in this very important arm of the Synagogue family. Will Milton Sivek please rise.

Parents Association

It continues its function as a liaison between the home and the Religious School in every way possible and becomes particularly active around the major Jewish holidays. Class mothers assist at all holiday functions such as the Hanukkah party, Purim party and the Model Seder. There are volunteers on the Library Committee, and on the work done for the Holiday Festival.

The Parents Association takes an active interest in all Synagogue endeavors. Its president is Mrs. Lillian Helpern, previously acknowledged.

Young Marrieds

The Young Married group continues to be one of the major interests of our Synagogue and we hope that in the period immediately ahead it will increase in importance as a signficant social arm of our Synagogue aimed in interesting Young Married couples in Park Avenue Synagogue affiliation. They had an excellent year and we know that the future, because of their leadership, is promising.

As guest Rabbi, David C. Kogen has filled the breach of our vacant Pulpit during all these months with grace and dignity. We are indeed appreciative of his splendid cooperation. In some of our experiences we are faced with situations which call for a certain bearing and demeanor. Inability to meet these circumstances could readily have less pleasant results than those which now prevail. Will Rabbi Kogen please rise and be acknowledged.

The Synagogue Services continue, as throughout our memory, to be a thrilling experience. The musical portion, which is so important a feature, is quite up to its usual standard because of tireless devotion and application of our own Hazzan David J. Putterman assisted as he is by Cantor Abraham Friedman. Both these men had set-backs in health at different times during the past year but the services did not suffer nor were they absent from their posts except when their doctors forbade.

We are happy to see them both in good shape as of now and trust they will continue in health without further interruption. Will David Putterman and Abraham Friedman please rise.

Behind the scenes we are fortunate in having a delightful set up. In charge, we have Sidney Katz whose cordiality, discretion and sweetness of manner is inviolably maintained despite a staggering volume of detail and urgency which would certainly mow down any normal individual.

Working besides him and in perfect harmony is Mannie Rosenthal whose experience, tact, knowledge of all that went on in the past, and intimate acquaintance with so many of the members is of no small value to smooth operations. Will Sidney and Mannie rise.

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Do not treat lightly the effectiveness of the women on the Board of Trustees. Freda Sack has a mind of her own and will not hesitate to stand up and let every one know it, especially when it may be in complete disagreement with one who may be, more or less, closely related. But in addition to her many invaluable efforts in all sorts of capacities, she heads the Committee which arranged all the details of this wonderful Congregational Dinner. So will Freda Sack please rise and be acclaimed.

There is one person who has been appointed on a number of Committees and has attached herself to several others, to make the dirt fly and to get things done, in so many glamorous and glamorless jobs. You probably appreciate that reference is made to Dorothy Sokolow.

When the dirt flies, the dust sometimes irritates. We are apt to be a little uncomfortable. But it is all for the best and we hope that Dorothy's efforts and drive—will continue to be a very valuable asset. Dorothy Sokolow—please rise.

When we count our blessings, at the top of the list we have to place our President Jake Klein. He is a personality who has endeared himself to everyone of us.

Voluntarily he has taken on practically all the pastoral work, which he performs with a sweetness and grace that makes him a most welcome guest in our homes both in times of joy and in times of stress. We know he likes to visit just as we like to welcome him and we hope that this blessing will be prevalent among us for a long time to come. A Salute to you Sir!

It has been my good luck, during my tenure, to have been able to confer with your Chairman to be, Joseph Howard Katz. At certain periods we sat together almost daily to discuss and analyze the numerous items and angles that developed. As each situation would arise, and there were plenty that arose, we would weigh the pros and cons, and after much weighing, decide upon what move to make. Luckily most of these decisions worked out. Some may have been in error, but then a quick readjustment was possible with a minimum of ensuing difficulty.

Your new Chairman of the Board is a capable individual. He knows his way around in the "Religious World", and that includes Rabbinical circles, particularly. You will have the best type of lay leadership in the next term.

Your Chairman has been very fortunate in having so many fine people with whom to consult. Nevertheless, at such times when there was undue stress, and the gravity of circumstances threatened dire results if the wrong step was taken —the statesmanship, counsel, and advice of three of our outstanding members, Judge Bernard Botein, Samuel Lemberg and Milton Weill, were of inestimable value in keeping things on a steady course. On every occasion, they were quite as eager to be of help as your Chairman was to receive it.

Milton Weill was unable to be present, but I would ask Judge Bernard Botein and Samuel Lemberg to please rise and be acknowledged.

Conclusion

An attempt has been made to give a general idea, in far too abbreviated a form, of what goes on in your Synagogue. The general activitiy and the work done was good. It was better than good, it was excellent. But nothing is perfect nor is so good that it cannot be improved, and it will be. To that end, everyone will lend a hand.

My personal thanks to all who have participated. It was my good fortune to have had the cooperation and help of a group of the finest people that the community can produce. Much thanks from all of the members of this great institution.

Scout News

By HY SANKEL

The Brownies under the very competent leadership of Mrs. Samuel Pritz and Mrs. Irving Altman have been conducting an interesting and exciting program. The children have just completed their service project. They constructed gifts for the crippled children in the wards of Mt. Sinai Hospital. They also made presents for their own parents.

The troop just completed their elections. The officers are: President — Karyn Kline, Vice President—Vicki Kogan, Secretary—Patricia Levin, Treasurer—Jane Altman.

Revised By-Laws Submitted to Congregational Meeting

The new revised set of By-Laws for the Park Avenue Synagogue was submitted for first reading at the congregational annual meeting, Sunday evening, January 13.

Hon. Sanford H. Cohen, chairman of the committee on the revision of the By-Laws, and his colleagues, Saul Godwin, Nelson Ruttenberg, Benjamin Sack, Sdney J. Silberman, and Asa Sokolow, did an excellent job in the preparation of this document. This committee labored steadfastly, beginning their work prior to the summer and continuing through until the By-Laws, in final form, was submitted and approved by the Board of Trustees in December 1956.

HON. SANFORD H. COHEN
Chairman, By-Laws Committee

Many points of view were expressed in considering the numerous changes that have been made in the old By-Laws under which we dave been operating for several decades. But in reaching the final result, the task became comparatively easy, under the capable leadership of Judge Sanford H. Cohen, the chairman, whose vast legal and judicial experience stood him in good stead, in the conduct of the many meetings held by the committee and the intricate and difficult problems that arose in considering important changes. We are deeply grateful to Judge Sanford H. Cohen, for having made another valuable contribution to the progress of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

Religious School News

By MARTIN LEICHTLING

Aid to Israeli Children

During the month of February the students of the Religious School will engage in their Third Annual Keren Ami Drive for Children in Israel. This special project is sponsored by the schools of the five main synagogues in the mid-Manhattan area, Anshe Chesed, B'nai Jeshurun, Kehilath Jeshurun, Society for the Advancement of Judaism and the Park Avenue Synagogue.

This joint activity was initiated three years ago to give direct aid to school children in Israel. At that time our children donated five complete ceramic sets to Israeli schools. Last year our students voted to present an electrocardiagraph machine to a children's hospital.

Delegates from the five mid-Manhattan schools are meeting under the guidance of Mr. Alan Blaine, to decide upon the gifts to be presented to the Israeli schools this year. The delegates are considering the purchase of film-strip projectors, phonographs and records or the purchase of a number of musical instruments.

In addition to this special Keren Ami activity, the students of our school contribute to other worthy causes who work chiefly in the United States. In previous years the representatives of our classes have allocated sums to the Jewish Theological Seminary, the United Jewish Appeal, the Red Mogen Dovid (Israel Red Cross), the Hebrew Orphan Asylum, the Jewish National Fund and the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies.

UJA Women's Division Opening Rally

The opening rally of the Women's Division of UJA will be held on Thursday, February 21 at 10:30 A.M. at the Hotel Sheraton-Astor.

Mrs. Benjamin Sack, Chairman of the Women's UJA Committee of the Park Avenue Synagogue has requested that all those who are interested to reserve this date and attend this opening function. Further details will be published in the Bulletin.

Condolences

Mrs. Betty Friedman—Loss of husband Jacob Friedman and Mrs. Edward Peiper upon the loss of her father

Mrs. Michael Stowe—Loss of her sister, Mrs. Sally Weber

Parents Visit School

The faculty and the students extend their appreciation and thanks to the many parents who visited our school during Open School Week. The parents had an opportunity to visit the classrooms, to worship with the Junior Congregation, and to discuss the curriculum with the teachers. The many laudatory comments and the great interest shown by the parents in our educational program will help to strengthen the role of the school in the growth of our children.

Adult Education Classes Resume January 21

Hazzan David J. Putterman will resume his Monday evening classes on Monday, January 21 at 8:00 P.M. and each succeeding Monday evening thereafter until February 11 inclusive.

The course will deal with an analysis of the Sabbath Prayer Book, and the structure and interpretation of the prayers in relation to our Services. When this course was given during the first semester, it attracted a good attendance.

All those who are interested should record the dates in their diary—January 21, January 28, February 4 and February 11—8:00 P.M. to 8:55 P.M.

Congratulations

Mr. and Mrs. David Grad—Marriage of daughter Barbara to Mr. James P. Robbins

Mrs. Dorothy Gellert and Mr. and Mrs. Murray Gillette—Engagement of daughter Marcia Gellert to Dr. Burton Gillette son of Mr. and Mrs. Murray Gillette

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Cohen—Birth of daughter and to grandparents Hon. and Mrs. Sanford H. Cohen.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Halbren—30th Wedding Anniversary—January 11

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Heller—40th Wedding Anniversary—January 15

SCHEDULE OF RELIGIOUS SERVICES

Friday Evening, January 25 ..... 8:30 P.M.

Congressman Emanuel Celler, Guest Speaker,
Will speak on "A Jew in Congress"

Saturday Morning, January 26 ..... 9:30 A.M.

Rabbi Kogen will preach on "When Conscience Fails Us"

Friday Evening, February 1 ..... 8:30 P.M.

Sisterhood Sabbath Service
Mrs. Juliette P. Benton, Guest Speaker,
Will speak on "The Great Ages and Ideas of the Jewish People"

Saturday Morning, February 2 ..... 9:30 A.M.

Bar Mitzvah of Eric Shullman
son of Mr. & Mrs. Saul Shullman

Rabbi Kogen will continue to function temporarily with Hazzan David J. Putterman officiating, assisted by the Synagogue Choir and George Crook at the organ.

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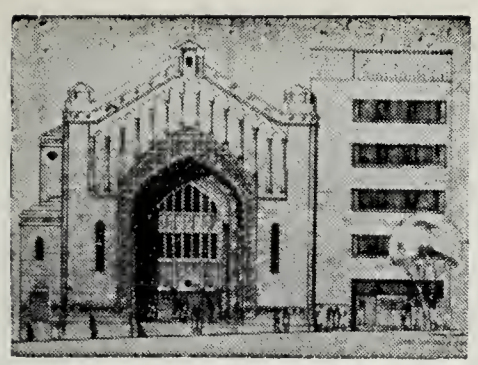

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Friday Evening Youth Service, Feb. 8

By Hy Sankel

The Youth Activities Division will once again conduct its annual Friday Evening Service — February 8, 1957. The teen-agers will be responsible for the entire service. Alan Mehlman will act as Cantor. John Wolf will deliver the sermon on the topic: "Who Is The Religious Man?" Other participants in the Service will be: Inez Fields, Phyllis Brody, Harry Pincus, John Stangel, Linda Kahn, Richard Fread, Elliot Zucker and Joan Rubinstein.

A panel discussion will take place in the Lemberg Auditorium after the Service on the subject: "Should your Judaism Be Formalized." The participants will discuss the need of ritual, holiday observance and synagogue attendance in

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Rabbi Jacob B. Agus, Guest Speaker, At Men's Club Open Meeting, Feb. 7

RABBI JACOB B. AGUS

Rabbi Jacob B. Agus who is presently occupying the pulpit at Beth El Congregation, Baltimore, Maryland will be the guest speaker at an open meeting of Men's Club to be held Thursday evening, February 7 at 8:30 P.M. in the Lemberg Auditorium. His topic will be "Toynbee and Judaism. Is Toynbee an Anti-Semite?"

A graduate of Yeshivah College where he received his A.B., Rabbi Agus was ordained at The Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary in 1935. He received his Master's degree at Harvard University and his Ph.D. degree at Harvard University in 1939 in the Division of the History and Philosophy of Religion.

His book "Modern Philosophies of Judaism" was selected among the 100 "best" books on Jewish religion at an exposition of Religious Books sponsored by the Herald Traveler at Boston in 1942. Among his other publications are "Banner of Jerusalem", a study of the religious philosophy of Abraham Isaac Kuk, "Guideposts in Modern Judaism" dealing with the philosophy of Judaism and Jewish life, as well as many other publications.

At present he is the Consulting Editor for the Encyclopedia Britannica for all items relating to Judaism and Jewish people.

Prior to occupying the pulpit at Beth El Congregation which was organized as the first liberal Conservative Congregation in Baltimore by Rabbi Solomon Goldman, Rabbi Agus occupied the pulpit at Agudas Achim Congregation in Chicago from 1940-1943 and then the pulpit at Beth Abraham United Congregation in Dayton, Ohio until 1950 at which time he was called to the pulpit at Beth El Congregation.

Rabbi Agus is a member of the Rabbinical Assembly, has lectured at John

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Rabbi Stanley Rabinowitz To Address Sisterhood At Open Meeting, Feb. 14

RABBI STANLEY RABINOWITZ

Sisterhood has arranged for an open meeting to be held Thursday evening, February 14 at 8:30 P.M. in the Lemberg Auditorium of the Park Avenue Synagogue, to which all members of the congregation, both men and women, are cordially invited to attend. Following this address, there will be the usual discussion period and refreshments.

On that occasion Rabbi Stanley Rabinowitz will address the gathering on the subject of "Five Wars Hath Araby". Rabbi Rabinowitz is currently occupying the pulpit at Adath Jeshurun Synagogue in Minneapolis, Minnesota where he has been since 1953. Prior to his call to serve at Adath Jeshurun Synagogue he occupied the pulpit as Rabbi of B'nai Jacob Synagogue in New Haven, Conn. from 1946 to 1953.

Born in Des Moines, Iowa, he was graduated from the State University of Iowa in 1939 where he received his B.A.

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Dr. Louis Finkelstein Delivers Prayer At Eisenhower Inauguration

At the Inauguration of President Eisenhower, Dr. Louis Finkelstein, Chancellor of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, was selected, as representative of the Jewish faith to deliver one of the prayers.

For those who may have missed this ceremony, we are printing the prayer in this issue of the Bulletin which was as follows:

"God of our fathers: grant Dwight David Eisenhower and Richard Milhaus Nixon the blessings sought of Thee for all mankind by the great scholar, Rab, sixteen centuries ago in Babylonia.

"Give them long life, life of peace, life of happiness, above all life which may prove a blessing to mankind.

"Do Thou fulfill in their days and in ours Thy promise to the Prophets, that Thou wilt cause fear to Thee to enter the hearts of all Thy creatures, so that mankind may become one society, dedicated with a complete heart to performance of Thy will.

"May wickedness be silenced, may the rule of arrogance vanish, and Thou alone reign over all. Our Father and our King, may our time be ripe for Thine own intervention as of yore, to inspire us to obey Thee, that all mankind may join us in Thy service, for their own sake, and for the sake of Thy Holy Name. Amen."

Reserve this date
TUESDAY EVENING, APRIL 16
Congregational Second Night Seder
will be held at
Park Avenue Synagogue
Write or phone office EN 9-2600
Further details will be published

Library of Congress Hebraic Section Expanding

In October 1914, Jacob Schiff, a friend of Ephraim Deinard, presented to the people of the United States, the Deinard Collection of books and other material designed to pay tribute to the magnificent contribution the Jews of America have made to their country and to democratic life elsewhere.

This was the beginning of the Hebraic Collection in the official archives at Washington, for it was shortly thereafter that an Act of Congress, established it as a permanent part of the Library of Congress.

Today, in its forty-second year, this Hebraic section has become one of the largest single assemblages of material relating to Jewish life in the possession of the United States Government. It is located on the top floor of the Library of Congress building and has long since passed the 50,000 volume mark, in addition to which, countless other items, including periodicals, brochures, and illustrations overflow its shelves and exhibit cases. Truthfully it has been said, that the Hebraic Collection is a reflection of Jewish life down through the ages.

One of the most fascinating groupings is the collection of Hagadahs from all over the world and recognized as the most complete unit to be found anywhere. In addition, the Bible and Talmud editions assembled in this unusual collection has provoked the following comment by a library official: "It is not commonly known, but this collection contains virtually every printing of the Bible and the Talmud published in a wide variety of languages, since the 16th century."

Many of the items contained in this collection are irreplaceable. Although there are dozens of extremely rare Bibles extant, few are as beautiful and well preserved, as the ancient Great Bible of Mainz, reputed to be even older than the Gutenberg Bible. This was a gift to the Library of Congress in 1952 by Lessing J. Rosenwald, the son of Julius Rosenwald.

Another unusual gift was presented by Barney Balaban, president of Paramount Pictures Corporation, and a member of the Park Avenue Synagogue. In 1945, he presented the Library of Congress with one of the original fourteen copies of the Bill of Rights. That such a copy was still in existence was almost regarded as hopeless, as of all the original copies that had been given to the Founding States, only that which had gone to Virginia was still in her possession. This priceless gift is now part of the Library of Congress and the visitor will find the Balaban Bill of Rights, as it has been labeled, in a specially constructed exhibit case which formerly had housed an original draft of the Declaration of Independence.

Due credit for the information contained in the above item is acknowledged to Harvey Berman, whose article on this subject was published in a recent issue of the American Zionist.

Rabbi Agus Speaker

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Hopkins University and many other colleges and B'nai B'rith Institutes. He is also Chairman of the Committee on the Formulation of an Ideology for the Conservative Movement, as well as a member of the Board of Editors of "Judaism" —a quarterly.

Members of the Congregation, both men and women are invited to attend this open meeting and to meet Rabbi Agus. The usual discussion period will follow this discourse which deals with a most provocative subject and should provide an interesting and stimulating meeting for all members of our Congregation.

Teen-Age Sabbath

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the life of teen-age Jewish Youth. The Moderator will be John Kogan. Other members of the panel include: Judy Schwartz, Lew Levine, Nessa Hyams, Ellie Frischling, Mike Litt and Bob Paley.

The participants, most of whom were trained in our Religious School are provided with a means for continuing their Jewish learning and identification through these annual services. It also serves to unite the family in synagogue attendance.

The week of February 6-12 is Boy Scout Week. They will celebrate by participation in the Service. The other scout groups will also be present.

Address by Joseph Howard Katz, Newly Elected Board Chairman, Delivered at Congregational Annual Meeting, January 13, 1957

In addressing you tonight immediately following my induction, I am probably departing from tradition. I know it is customary for the chairman of the Board to spend a year in office and then submit his annual report of what has been accomplished at the following congregational meeting. But I trust you will forgive me, if I take the next ten minutes of your time this evening in advance of my year in office, to tell you some things that are on my mind, and to give you a preview of some of our plans for the coming year.

First, I wish to express my deepest appreciation to the Nominating Committee and its chairman, Nelson Ruttenberg, and to my colleagues on the Board of Trustees, as well as to each and every one of you, who in the final analysis constitute the congregation of the Park Avenue Synagogue. My deepest appreciation to all of you for your confidence in having chosen me to lead this institution during the coming year, as chairman of the Board.

Having experienced the problems of the chairman about two years ago for a short period of time, I can tell you with some authority that the chairmanship carries with it heartaches as well as joyous rewards. For me, there are only two rewards that have any real meaning. The first is the honor and privilege of following in the footsteps of Frederick Finn, Bernard Botein, Benjamin Sack, Sanford H. Cohen and Ezra Cohen, all dedicated, devoted and talented former chairmen of the Board who have served this congregation unselfishly since the office was first created. The *second reward* comes from knowing that whatever energy and effort I may give to the job, even though as a sacrifice to my profession and to my family, I will be contributing to the strength and the welfare of our synagogue, our community, and of Judaism at large.

But there is another side to the story, the vicissitudes of the office to which I alluded a moment ago. Someone once said that the occupational disease of a chairman is, "Stepping on people's toes." Whether that may have been said facetiously or not, I unfortunately recognize the fact that oftimes that remark is true, no matter how much diplomacy one may use or how one may try to avoid it—and no matter how well intentioned and sterling of purpose one may be. I want to assure you my friends, that in arriving at decisions as Chairman of the Board, I will do whatever my conscience tells me is *best* for Park Avenue Synagogue. I will *not* be guided or prompted by any other rule or formula. If I do wrong, you can be certain that it will not be from ignorance of the facts or from any whim or caprice and you can hold me accountable for it.

JOSEPH HOWARD KATZ

I would like to tell you of three major items on our agenda. *First*, the number one and foremost objective of this new administration is to fill the pulpit which is now vacant. I believe this calls for some plain talk and I trust you will accept it in the spirit it is given. I am sure you are aware of the fact that the Rabbi, who will meet the approval and acclaim of everyone of our congregants, is just non-existent. Such a man is a utopian dream. He would of necessity have to be a composite of all the leaders in the American Rabbinate. Yet despite that fact, and this is not an unrealistic approach, our Pulpit Committee whose members constitute top leadership in our Synagogue, has nevertheless set its goal very high. Parenthetically, I must say here I have never served on any committee whose members are more eager to help and more willing to give so much of their time—as the majority of the members of our Pulpit Committee have evidenced thus far. We have met during business hours, and we have met in the evenings and on Sunday mornings. We have interviewed Rabbis from different parts of this country—Rabbis who have established their mark and left their mark and left their impact on the Jewish community, and younger men who possess the potential for outstanding leadership. Two more interviews are scheduled for the coming week. I should like to clear two things for you tonight, that have repeatedly been asked of me by many of you; and which you should know. Your Pulpit Committee conditions all its interviews with prospective candidates with the prerequisite understanding, that the candidate if acceptable is not to attempt to move our congregation towards orthodoxy, on the one hand, or to reform, on the other. We are a liberal wing conservative synagogue and we are in favor of our musical service, the organ, the mixed choir, as well as the celebration of our beautiful traditional holidays: and we want to keep it that way. (2) The second thing you should know is that your Board of Trustees has officially indicated its willingness to pay the highest compensation for a suitable Rabbi. I can only tell you this—We pledge to bring to our pulpit as soon as we possibly can a man who, in our judgment possesses the erudition and eloquence to spark our religions services and educational programs, and who will spiritually lead, and wisely guide those who require pastoral leadership: a man of whom this synagogue can be proud. Just one more thought on this item before I leave the subject. I urge and beg of you not to give credence to any rumors or gossip you may have picked up about any possible candidate under consideration. I have heard such gossip why one candidate didn't accept the post;—why the Committee didn't approve of another;—or who is being considered before others. These rumors have not only filled these sacred halls but they have managed to find their way into a national Anglo-Jewish newspaper. Rumors repeated sufficiently become exaggerated, then essentially inaccurate, and finally harm not only the candidate (who may be just the man we are looking for), but they also do harm to the candidate's present synagogue and to ours, too. Furthermore, a preconceived misconception not

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Chairman's Address

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based upon any fact about a man's ability or his personal theology or his character can be the death knell for one who may have extraordinary capacity to serve this congregation as its Rabbi. I know you are all justifyably hungry for news about our pulpit, but please wait for an official announcement from the Board, which I assure you will not be delayed and then, we may all celebrate together.

Now for the *second* item on our agenda—The greatest contribution a chairman can make for a successful administraton is to gather about him men and women who thoroughly understand their business and who are deeply but impersonally, vitally interested in the synagogue. I will make every effort to seek out new blood and new faces and supplement them with our old reliable members so that more of our membership from both the old and new can be activated into the administration of this institution.

Thirdly, and finally, I will do everything in my power to revitalize and renew the spirit for which this congregation is so well known. Of course no one can predict what the future holds in store for us. I tell you, however, with all the emphasis I can command, that I am very optimistic in my belief that this, our 75th Diamond Jubilee year, will be the beginning of a new era in our synagogue life. An era of friendship and unity, and an era of a richer appreciation for the liberal conservative Judaism for which this synagogue stands.

By your presence this evening, you have reaffirmed the stake you own in this congregation. And so, on the threshold of this new administration I ask each and every one of you to help me attain our goal. I know you will respond.

And now with a firm resolve to make myself worthy of the honor bestowed upon me, I pray that Almighty God grant me the health, the strength, the wisdom and the will to do the right as I am able to see it.

LINCOLN'S BIRTHDAY

The Hebrew Department of the Religious School will not conduct classes on Tuesday, February 12.

UJA Women's Division Launches Campaign

The opening rally of the 1957 Women's Division campaign on behalf of the UJA of Greater New York will be held at the Sheraton Astor Hotel, Broadway and 45th Street, on Monday, February 18, 1957 at 10:30 A.M. The guests will be Hon. Abba Eban, Israel's ambassador to the United States and Dr. Abram L. Sachar, president of Brandeis University.

David Ben Gurion, prime minister of Israel, made the following statement. "To be a realist in Israel, you must believe in miracles."

One of the miracles in Israel has been the absorption and integration of refugees. 51,000 entered in '56, and it is estimated that the great majority of the 100,000 Jews who will escape from Europe and North Africa this year will settle in Israel. Already thousands of Jews escaped from Hungary and expelled from Egypt have gone to Israel and the number will constantly increase. But in Israel there are no refugees, for the moment they set foot on the land they are citizens, and according to a report received last week from Israel, "the man-in-the-street in Tel Aviv, Haifa or Petach Tikvah tightened his belt a little more, rolled up his collar against the sudden extreme cold of the last few days, and moved over to make room for the newcomers."

"The stories that were told were familiar and frightful — Jews handcuffed and stoned as they were marched through the streets of Cairo; confiscation of property; internment in desert concentration camps". In other words, the first phase of Hitler's program that led to the extermination of six million Jews was being repeated.

"And then one day last week", the report continues, "the whole country stopped for a moment to demonstrate its protest against brutality unleashed. The moment over, Israel went back to work. It wasn't enough to say "Welcome". Houses had to be built and jobs provided, and a language taught—for the new citizens would have their jobs mapped out for them soon enough, and they in turn would have to be ready, almost overnight, to say "Shalom" to the boatloads of next week".

The ship-to-settlement program, devised by the Jewish Agency and financed by the United Jewish Appeal, makes it possible for yesterday's refugees to become today's citizens. It can't be done in transit camps and ma'abarot. There are no empty houses left in Israel and its citizens can move just so far. That is why our cash is urgently needed to keep this miracle a reality.

Archie Thurman Elected At Synagogue Convention

By SIDNEY R. KATZ

The Biennial Convention of the Metropolitan Council of the United Synagogue of America was held Sunday, January 13 in Rockville Centre with over 500 delegates representing Conservative Synagogues in this area.

ARCHIE I. THURMAN

Of special interest to us of Park Avenue Synagogue was the election of Archie Thurman, a member of the Board of Trustees, to the post of Manhattan Co-chairman of the Metropolitan Council of the United Synagogue and a member of their Executive Council.

Others who participated in the convention activities, were Milton Sivek, our Associate Treasurer, who spoke at one of the panels on Synagogue affiliates. Our Congregation was represented besides Mr. Sivek and Mr. Thurman, by Sol Green, Benjamin Sack and Sidney R. Katz. Another visitor from our congregation was Charles Bennet.

Rabbi Rabinowitz, Speaker

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degree. He attended the Jewish Theological Seminary from which he was ordained as Rabbi in June 1943 and was immediately called to serve at Temple Beth El in Cedarhurst, L. I.

In 1949 he received his Master of Hebrew Literature degree from the Jewish Theological Seminary and the following year received his Master of Arts degree in Sociology from Yale University.

Rabbi Rabinowitz has served as National President of A.Z.A., Jr. of the order of B'nai B'rith, President of the New Haven Zionist District, Chairman of the New Haven United Jewish Welfare Fund Campaign and Chairman of the New Haven Community Relations Committee.

Since coming to Minneapolis he has served on various communal and religious committes including the Governor's Committee on Refugee Resettlement and Secretary of the Minnesota Rabbinical Association. He is also a contributing editor to the "Reconstructionist" and a member of the National Youth Commission of B'nai B'rith.

All members of the congregation, both men and women, are cordially invited to attend. Following his address, there will be the usual discussion period and refreshments.

Synagogue Pioneers With New Honor To Women

Once again, Park Avenue Synagogue has pioneered in the field of extending its liberal tradition by inviting women to participate in pulpit honors.

At the Sabbath morning Services held on January 19, Mrs. Benjamin Sack, a member of our Board of Trustees, became the first woman in our congregation to receive the honor of a Pesichah, the privilege of opening the Ark by drawing the curtain at the time of the saying of the prayer Olenu.

In inviting Mrs. Sack to accept this honor, Jacob Klein, synagogue president, pointed to our tradition on Simhath Torah when women are honored as well as men and also to the principle that women in our Congregation have membership status equal to that of men.

Jacob Klein Re-Elected President for Sixth Term

At the last congregational meeting, Jacob Klein was re-elected president of the Park Avenue Synagogue for the sixth consecutive term, an honor which represents in only a small measure our love and affection for this loveable personality.

Jacob's philosophy is quite simple, "if you want to be happy, try to make others happy." And this is just what he has done and why he has so endeared himself to so many of our congregants. To Jacob Klein, his activities in synagogue affairs have always been a labor of love.

JACOB KLEIN
Re-elected President

During the years of his presidency, he has rendered a variety of services to the congregation. Visiting the sick, paying condolence calls to the bereaved, rejoicing with those who celebrate happy occasions, Jake has performed what might be regarded almost pastoral duties. Occupying the president's chair on the pulpit, at almost every religious service Friday evening and Sabbath morning, he has inspired others to give greater heed to their worship attendance.

In his contact with the young people of our synagogue, he has bridged the years that separate them in age. Every Bar Mitzvah boy and Bas Mitzvah girl has been the recipient of some thoughtful personal remembrance from Jacob Klein to add to the happiness of this important event in the lives of these young people. To detail "My Day" for Jake would require an hourly diary commencing with his visits to the synagogue at 9:00 o'clock in the morning.

May we take this opportunity to express to Jacob Klein, the wish of all the members of our congregation, that the Almighty grant him many, many years of good health and happiness with his beloved wife, Gertrude, and his children and grandchildren. Mazol Tov to you, Jacob Klein.

Chaplain Rabbi Koslowe Speaker At Men's Club Meeting, February 26

By HARVEY GLASSER

On Tuesday, February 26, Men's Club will present the Jewish Chaplain of Sing Sing Prison, Rabbi Irving Koslowe, who will discuss: "Inside Sing Sing."

Rabbi Koslowe was appointed Jewish Chaplain by Governor Thomas E. Dewey in 1950. He is also Rabbi of the Westchester Jewish Center, at Mamaroneck, New York. While appointed to minister specifically to the spiritual needs of Sing Sing's Jewish prisoners, Rabbi Koslowe has on numerous occasions been called upon there to assist men and women of all faiths. In this capacity, our guest speaker has gained a remarkable insight of the problems facing prison inmates both behind prison walls and as ex-convicts returned to their communities.

Rabbi Koslowe will tell us what really goes on inside our prisons today. He will discuss the question of whether society is, or should be, basically concerned with rehabilitation or merely punishment, and what is being done to fit ex-convicts back into their communities.

Men's Club President Milton M. Sivek has named the following men to the Advisory Committee of the Board of Directors of Men's Club: Edward Boorstein, Nat B. Gerber, Chester Glaser, Albert Gordon, Frank Howard and Albert Siegel.

Mrs. Harry J. Sokolow Honored By Federation

Mrs. Harry J. Sokolow, one of the most active and devoted workers in the Park Avenue Synagogue, was honored at the Achievement Day Party held on January 21 at the Park Avenue Synagogue with the Merit Award.

Over 300 women, including many of the outstanding leaders in communal and civic affairs, attended this conference held under the auspices of the Department of Jewish Women's Organizations of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropics of New York, for the purpose of presenting Awards of Merit to those who had rendered unusual and conspicuous service in behalf of Federation.

MRS. HARRY J. SOKOLOW

Others who were also presented with Awards of Merit, in addition to Dorothy Sokolow were: Mrs. Robert F. Wagner and Mrs. W. Averill Harriman, Honorary Chairmen, Door-to-Door Drive. Commissioner Anna M. Kross, Chairman and Mrs. William Rabkin, Chairman Door-to-Door Drive.

Our congratulations to Dorothy for her personal, tireless and inspirational effort and devotion to so many facets of our religious, charitable and philanthropic life.

Bishop Oxnam Unable To Appear, February 15

We regret to announce that Bishop G. Bromley Oxnam, world renowned Protestant Clergyman and leader, who is scheduled to speak from our pulpit on Friday evening, February 15, will be unable to appear.

Bishop Oxnam had accepted our invitation to launch our brotherhood program, but suddenly had to undergo an emergency surgical operation, and is now confined to the hospital.

We fervently hope that Bishop Oxnam will soon recover his strength and be restored to good health.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Thursday Evening, February 7 ..... 8:30 P.M.
Men's Club Open Meeting
Rabbi Jacob B. Agus, guest speaker, will speak on "Toynbee and Judaism. Is Toynbee an Anti-Semite?"

Friday Evening, February 8 ..... 8:30 P.M.
Teen-Age Sabbath Service

Saturday Morning, February 9 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Rabbi Kogen will preach on "The Eternal Light"

Thursday Evening, February 14 ..... 8:30 P.M.
Sisterhood Open Meeting
Rabbi Stanley Rabinowitz, guest speaker
Will speak on "Five Wars Hath Araby"

Friday Evening, February 15 ..... 8:30 P.M.
Brotherhood Sabbath

Saturday Morning, February 16 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Rabbi Kogen will preach on "The Things We Manufacture"

Rabbi Kogen will continue to function temporarily with Hazzan David J. Putterman officiating, assisted by the Synagogue Choir and George Crook at the organ.

Sunday Morning Seminars Resume February 17

Mr. Saul Godwin, Chairman of the Adult Education Committee, announced that a new series of Sunday Morning Seminars for the parents of our school children will begin on Sunday, February 17 at 10:30 A.M. Entitled "Our Jewish Heritage in the Modern World," these Seminars will consider ways of making the teachings of Judaism meaningful for modern Jews. They are conducted by Dr. Arthur Hyman a member of the Faculty of Dropsie College and a University Associate at Columbia University.

The following topics will be discussed:

Sunday, February 17—The Beliefs of a Jew

Sunday, February 24—The Sabbath in Home and Synagogue

Sunday, March 3—Study as Religious Value

Sunday, March 10—Toward a Full Jewish Life - A Summary

Everyone is cordially invited to attend these Seminars.

Congratulations

Mrs. Rea Racoosin — Marriage of son William H. Racoosin to Brenda Kaufman

Mrs. Anna Edelman — Marriage of granddaughter Ruth Edelman to Mark R. Joseph

Dr. & Mrs. Isaac B. Brodsky — 25th Wedding Anniversary — February 11

Gen. & Mrs. Melvin Krulewitch — 20th Wedding Anniversary — February 18

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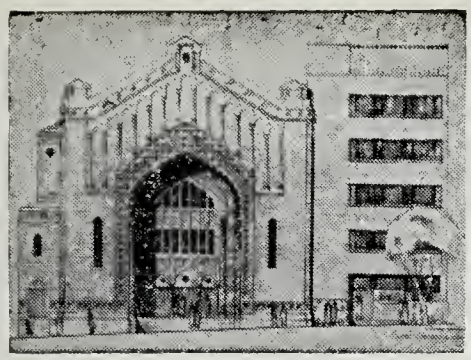

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Jackie Robinson, Speaker At Friday Evening Service March 1

Jack Roosevelt Robinson. better known as "Jackie" Robinson of the Brooklyn Dodgers baseball team. will be our guest speaker at the Friday Evening Services March 1 at 8:30 P.M. This being part of our Brotherhood celebration he has selected as his subject "Montgomery. Alabama".

An outstanding athlete in the field of football. basketball and broad jumping in which he was the National Collegiate champion, Jackie Robinson's prominence in the sports world probably stems from the fact that he was the first Negro to play in organized baseball. As a member of the Brooklyn Dodgers since 1945, he has achieved great popularity as one of the most outstanding baseball players in either league. But more so, he has been recognized as a man of sterling character and a worthy citizen.

Born in Cairo, Georgia, Jackie Robinson attended school in Pasadena, Cali-

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Rabbi Klein to be Our Guest Speaker At Friday Evening Service, February 22

Rabbi Edward E. Klein, of the Stephen Wise Free Synagogue. will be our guest speaker at the Friday Evening Service to be held Friday, February 22 at 8:30 P.M. He will speak on "Love and Let Live".

Rabbi Klein, who was designated by the late Dr. Stephen Wise as his successor in the pulpit of the Free Synagogue, has been active in the field of education. In that area he has been honored by a fellowship in the National Council on Religion in Higher Education, and membership on the National Commission on Religious Organizations of the National Conference of Christians and Jews.

RABBI EDWARD E. KLEIN

A graduate of New York University where he received his B.A., magna cum laude and was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. Rabbi Klein did graduate work at Columbia University and Union Theological Seminary. He then entered the Jewish Institute of Religion where he receivd the degree of Rabbi and Minister of Hebrew Letters. Later, he became president of the Alumni Association of the Jewish Institute of Religion and was honored by his colleagues with an invitation to deliver the Conference Sermon at the Central Conference of American Rabbis in Kansas City.

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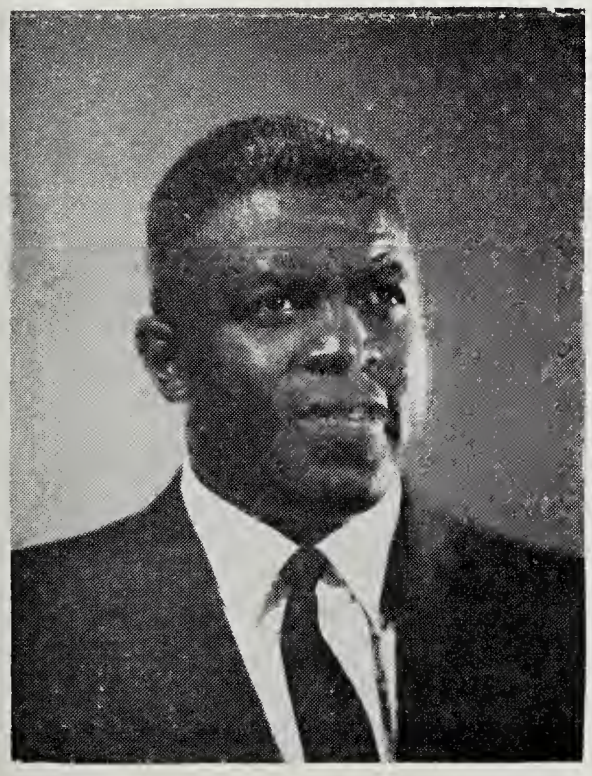

JACKIE ROBINSON

SCHEDULE OF RELIGIOUS SERVICES

Friday Evening, February 22 . . . . . 8:30 P.M.
Rabbi Edward E. Klein, guest speaker will speak on "Love and Let Live"

Saturday Morning, February 23 . . . . . 9:30 A.M.
Rabbi Kogen will preach on "So Little and Yet So Much"

Friday Evening, March 1 . . . . . 8:30 P.M.
Jack Robinson, guest speaker, will speak on "Montgomery, Alabama"

Saturday Morning, March 2 . . . . . 9:30 A.M.
Rabbi Kogen will preach on "A Divine Prescription"

Rabbi Kogen will continue to function temporarily with Hazzan David J. Putterman officiating, assisted by the Synagogue Choir and George Crook at the organ.

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Can Brotherhood Really Work?

If Brotherhood Week is to accomplish anything real and concrete, there ought to be at least three objectives in the Brotherhood movement. First, the Brotherhood movement ought to point out that there are similarities and differences between individuals and between groups of people. Second, we must all learn the lesson that being different does not necessarily mean better or worse than someone else. Third, religious people ought to learn that different faiths may lead different people to the same goal. Each faith can give its followers a sense of being "at home" with God, with man, with the Universe. Brotherhood can work best when the Christian is a good Christian and when the Jew is a good Jew.

How can we envision Brotherhood relationships? The first stage is tolerance, "live and let live". A step above tolerance is good will. That means not only letting your neighbour live, but feeling kindly disposed towards him, having respect for his convictions. Beyond good will there is an even higher degree of Brotherhood, namely, inter-group cooperation or "live and help live". On this level all the people in a community assume common responsibilities for the many problems which exist in the community: housing, health, recreation, welfare-work, education, children's activities. In short, people cooperate for the common good.

Now where do morality and religion fit into this picture of Brotherhood? It is time that we learned in this twentieth century that material progress without spiritual motivation leads to atom bombs, that moral and ethical laws pay dividends in the long run. In our age, as in every age, religion can become a spur and a challenge to transform the world that is into the world that ought to be.

From the desk Of the President

I think the Park Avenue Synagogue has cause to be elated about the wonderful tribute that was paid to our own dear and lovable Justice Bernard Botein, for a most remarkable address that he delivered recently at the annual meeting of the trial lawyers section of the New York State Bar Association.

As the address is too long to be reprinted in the Park Avenue Synagogue BULLETIN, I know each member of the Park Avenue Synagogue will be not only happy, but thrilled to read the following comment by the Editor of the New York Law Journal.

> "Subjoined is the text of an address, delivered by Mr. Justice Botein at the annual meeting of the trial lawyers section of the New York State Bar Association.
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> "The discussion consists of a brilliant and original analysis of the psychology of the relations of the advocate and presiding judge during the trial of an action and the presentation of an appeal. The related topics of lawyer-judge skirmishing and lawyer-baiting are also briefly touched upon. The complete composition both in tone and text will be found so imaginative, subtle and refreshing, that few advocates and judges or persons interested in the relations of the legal profession to our social set-up, will fail to appreciate its exceptional intrigue and charm.—EDITOR."

I have been practising law now 52 years, and I can say frankly that I never read a more beautiful criticism of any book, pamphlet or speech, in all that time, and that is why I think we at the Park Avenue Synagogue should be especially proud of the achievements of one of our most precious members.

The address appears in the Law Journal, issue of February 6, and it would repay each of our members to get a copy. If any would like to receive a copy write me, I shall be pleased at my expense to forward to him or her, such a copy.

JACOB KLEIN
President of Park Avenue Synagogue

Each of us must seek his spiritual nourishment at the altar of his own faith, but we must unite our inspirations and combine our consecrations to bring about a world of justice, happiness and peace.

RABBI DAVID C. KOGEN

Rabbi Klein, Speaker

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Lecturer and teacher, Rabbi Klein has served as Director of the B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation at the University of California, Professor of Jewish Literature at the Starr King School for the Ministry at Berkeley, California, instructor in History and Bible at the Hebrew Union School of Education and Sacred Music, and a member of the Board of Governors of the Hebrew Union College—Jewish Institute of Religion.

His articles have appeared in the Congress Weekly, Opinion, Journal of Adult Jewish Education, The Reconstructionist and American Judaism.

Among the many communal activities with which he is presently identified are the Mayor's Committee on Housing, National Board of Directors of the American Social Hygiene Association, and the National Church Commission of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. He is also the co-chairman of the League of West Side Organizations of New York and of the City-Wide committee for Slum Prevention. In addition, he also serves as a member of the National Administrative Committee of the American Jewish Congress, the Executive Committee of the New York Board of Rabbis, the Commission on Social Action of the Central Conference of American Rabbis and the Association of Reform Rabbis of New York.

Following the Services, there will be a discussion period in the Lemberg Auditorium and the usual Oneg Shabbat.

Red Cross Appeal

The 1957 Red Cross campaign is now under way. This year's needs of this annual appeal are even greater than ever before, particularly in view of the additional funds required for Hungarian relief.

Mrs. Edward Munves and Mrs. Jesse Haas have been appointed co-chairmen of the Park Avenue Synagogue Women's Committee for this campaign. They have requested that members of the Park Avenue Synagogue give their contributions to the Red Cross appeal through the Synagogue committee so that the Park Avenue Synagogue may rank with the top donors in the religious group.

If you have made your contributions through other sources, please send a token gift to the Synagogue committee.

Young Marrieds to Repeat A Night In Monte Carlo

By FRED H. KRONES

Last year, the Young Marrieds conducted "Los Vegas Night" for the benefit of the Milton Steinberg Memorial Fund.

The success of that occasion has prompted this group to repeat the same type of entertainment this year under the name of "A Night in Monte Carlo". It is planned to hold this function on Saturday evening, March 23 in the Lemberg Auditorium.

Those who attended last year's affair will remember what a sensational evening was had by all those present. The Young Marrieds raised over $900 and expects to go over the thousand dollar mark this year. With the many devices which will be arranged for the evening's festivities, this affair promises to be another resonnding success for this ambitious group. Of course, this can only result with the cooperation of the members of the Congregation. Tickets will be $5 per couple, so buy your tickets, but what is more important, come to the affair.

The Decorations Committee will be headed by Dick Osserman and Ed Davidson. The Prize Committee, headed by Sue Usdan and Marge Silberman, assures the "lucky winners" of a grand assortment of prettily wrapped gifts. Sam Fredman and his assistants will assure a smooth operation to all activities, assisted by Mr. Sidney R. Katz, our helpful executive director.

So have a good time and for the benefit of the Milton Steinberg House, keep Saturday evening, March 23 open and treat your friends to "A NIGHT IN MONTE CARLO".

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Sisterhood's Bazaar for
Special Emergency Treasury Gift

***For* UNITED JEWISH APPEAL**

will be held
At the Park Avenue Synagogue

Wednesday, April 3
11 A.M. — 11 P.M.

Thursday, April 4
11 A.M. — 11 P.M.

Further Details will be published
In Subsequent Issues of Bulletin

Ezra Cohen Honored By Board of Trustees

Ezra Cohen, who retired as chairman of the Board of Trustees at the last annual election after serving two consecutive terms, was honored at the first regular meeting of the newly elected Board. He was presented with an ebony pedastal for the gavel used at the Board meetings, beautifully engraved with the following inscription:

Presented to
The Park Avenue Synagogue
By the Members of the Board of Trustees
In Honor of
EZRA COHEN
Chairman of the Board 1955-1957
In recognition and appreciation of his
loyal and devoted service to the
Synagogue.

In making the presentation, Joseph Howard Katz, the new Board chairman referred to the long term of service rendered by Ezra Cohen our former chairman. In paying tribute to Ezra, Mr. Katz said:

> "Ezra accepted the chairmanship of the Board when the synagogue needed him the most. His Solomon like judgment helped us weather the storm during a time of great stress. It was his leadership and the gigantic job he did which steered this congregation into still waters. We shall be forever grateful to Ezra for his devoted service."

Also attending the Board meeting was Mr. Frederick Finn, who served as the first chairman of the Board of Trustees, when that office was created. His appearance brought to mind the many years of service rendered by Ezra Cohen to the Park Avenue Synagogue and his tremendous contribution to the growth of our institution.

Committee Plans Purim Celebration

By HOWARD KIEVAL

The annual Purim celebration will take place on Saturday evening, March 16 at 7:30 P.M., commencing with the reading of the Megillah in the Synagogue.

All members of the Congregation and their guests are cordially invited to be present. Following the service, this most joyous of all the traditional Jewish holidays will be greeted by an evening of fun and entertainment. The Purim committee has decided to feature "Home Talent" and to draw upon the versatile members of the congregation for the evening's entertainment. Outstanding performances are promised.

The members of the committee are Howard A. Kieval, chairman, David Altschul, Mrs. Bruno Foa, Mrs. Irving Friedman, Mrs. Fred Krones, Theodore Meistrich, Mrs. Hector Ritey, Mrs. Robert Rubin, Mrs. Stanley Simon, Mrs. Nathan Somberg, and Mrs. Abraham Stangel.

Further details of the program will appear in the next issue of the BULLETIN.

"Let the People Know"

By ALMA D. KAPLAN

They say, "LET THE PEOPLE KNOW". Maybe the people do know, but what is the Jewish answer to such questions: as "Is There a God?" "What Good is Prayer?" "What's True in the Bible?" "Why Light Candles?"

Yes, they all seem to be elementary questions, the sort a college boy might ask, or your favorite heckler. But clear patient answers are offered by a young Rabbi, who possesses some of the attributes of Hillel, who wasn't shocked by these and other challenges.

DR. ARTHUR HYMAN GETS DOWN TO ESSENTIALS RE JUDAISM IN RELAXED DISCUSSIONS SUNDAY MORNINGS AT 10:30 O'CLOCK IN THE TRUSTEES' ROOM AT THE PARK AVENUE SYNAGOGUE.

Yes, it's hard to get up at that hour for some of us, but who knows better than a Jew that anything worthwhile has its hard side. If you have missed the first group of discussions, take note that the second discussion group is now under way. There are still several sessions to which you may want to come.

Sunday, February 24—"The Sabbath in Home and Synagogue"
Sunday, March 3—"Study as Religious Value"
Sunday, March 10—"Toward a Full Jewish Life"

As one of those who have regularly attended these discourses, I recommend them to all of our Congregants, particularly to parents of children who attend the Religious School Sunday morning and who want to spend a delightful, educational and inspiring hour instead of sitting idly by for their offspring to join them after classes.

Jackie Robinson, Speaker

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fornia and at the Pasadena Junior College, before entering UCLA where he gained national fame as an outstanding athlete. Jackie Robinson has won many awards since his entrance into organized baseball, including the Rookie of the Year, Most Valuable Player and Batting Leader. Of all his honors, his most cherished award is that which was recently bestowed upon him by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) as "Man of the Year".

When he announced his retirement from organized baseball recently, to become vice president in charge of personnel of the Chock Full O'Nuts Co., Jackie took with him the good wishes of many admirers for the same degree of success in the industrial field as he had achieved on the baseball diamond.

Following the Services, there will be a discussion period in the Lemberg Auditorium and the usual Oneg Shabbat.

MARCH EVENTS

March 8 — Friday Evening Service 8:30 P.M.
Dr. Abraham J. Heschel
"The Vital Importance of Jewish Theology"

March 15 — Friday Evening Service 8:30 P.M.
Prof. Henry Steele Commager
"Nationalism and the Community of Learning"

March 16 — Saturday Evening 7:30 P.M.
Purim Celebration
Reading of Megillah and Purim Party

March 22 — Friday Evening Service 8:30 P.M.
In honor of Jacob Klein, president of Park Avenue Synagogue

March 23 — Saturday 8:30 P.M.
"A Night in Monte Carlo"
Young Marrieds

March 29 — Friday Evening Service 8:30 P.M.
Dr. Will Herberg
"Foundations of Jewish Faith"

March 31 — Sunday 2:00 P.M.
75th Diamond Jubilee Celebration
Dr. Louis Finkelstein
Prof. Solomon Grayzel
Milton Weill

Calling All Mothers And Grandmothers!

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

Before the Purim Festival, the Parents Association will sponsor a Sewing Bee for all mothers and grandmothers interested in making costumes for their children and grandchildren. Our own very talented Mrs. Abraham Stangel has graciously volunteered to supply the material, original patterns and, most important, the instructions for this project.

This is a splendid opportunity for you to show your creative ability and at the same time to make your child the proud possessor of an original Purim costume, an intriguing mask, a Queen Esther felt eye-glass case or perhaps a felt Homantashen bean bag.

In addition to costumes, there will be pamphlets available explaining the appropriate blessings before the Megillah, charming Purim songs, games, and recipes. All these will be most helpful in making your home celebration of Purim a day of gladness, of hope, and of harmony.

Full details as to the exact time and place will be given in the next issue of the BULLETIN.

Congratulations

Mr. and Mrs. Harry A. Dubin — Marriage of daughter Betty Jane Dubin to Gilbert Cates

Dr. & Mrs. Hector Ritey — 15th Wedding Anniversary — February 23

SECOND NIGHT SEDER
THURSDAY EVENING, APRIL 16
Plans are now being made for a
CONGREGATIONAL SEDER
Mrs. Solomon E. Green,
Chairman of the Seder,
is planning to make this
a festive occasion
Further details will be published later.
If you are interested,
Write or Phone
Office EN 9-2600

Sisterhood Notes

By MRS. SAUL GRANETTS

The program to be presented at the March 19 meeting is unusual enough to deserve advance notice and feature billing. Mr. Lester Slatoff, "Antique Detective", will offer an audience participation lecture on his special interest. Members may bring personal treasures for discussion and evaluation. All guests and friends will be welcome.

Condolences

Dr. Harry Wechsler — death of sister Dora Schmer

Dr. Louis Finkelstein, Chancellor of the Jewish Theological Seminary upon the loss of his brother Dr. Maurice Finkelstein and to the members of the family.

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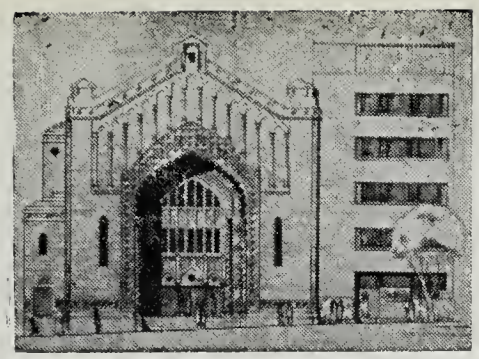

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Jacob Klein to be Honored At Friday Evening Service To Be Held March 22

As a tribute to our president, Jacob Klein, recently re-elected as president of the Park Avenue Synagogue for the sixth consecutive term, and in recognition of his many years of devoted and loyal service to our congregation, the Friday Evening Service, March 22, at 8:30 P.M. will be designated as the "Jacob Klein Sabbath."

All of the constituent organizations and affiliated groups of the synagogue will participate in this well deserved tribute, including Sisterhood, Men's Club, Parents Association, Young Marrieds, and many others.

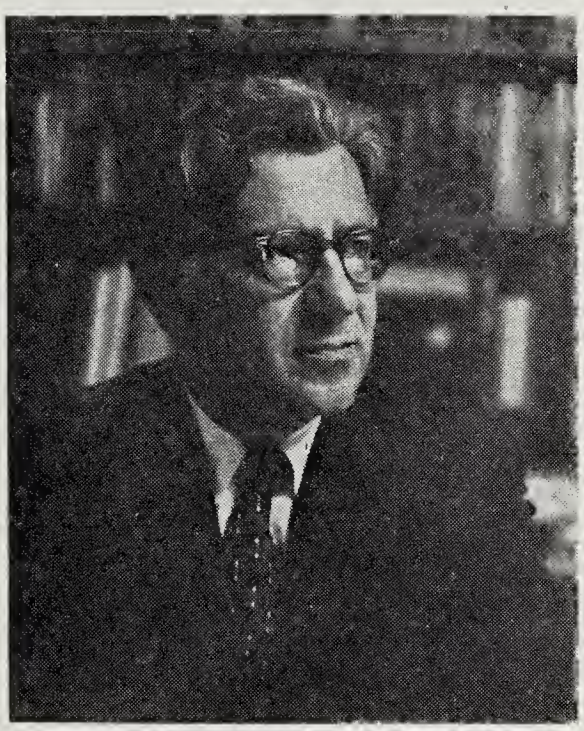
Following the services, a reception will be held in the Lemberg Auditorium, to which all are invited to meet our guest of honor and to extend to him our good wishes and felicitations.

JACOB KLEIN

Dr. Heschel and Professor Commager To Be Our Guest Speakers At Friday Evening Services

The Park Avenue Synagogue is proud to announce that it has secured two of the most outstanding lecturers as guest speakers for our coming Friday Evening Services.

Dr. Abraham Joshua Heschel, internationally known scholar, author, and lecturer, will speak from our pulpit at the Friday Evening Service, March 8, at 8:30 P.M. on "The Vital Importance of Jewish Theology." This will launch the first in the Milton Steinberg Memorial Lecture Series on theology. Dr. Heschel will discuss the responsibility of religion for dealing with the fundamental problems of human existence resulting from the contemporary situation of great crisis which faces man at the present time.



DR. ABRAHAM J. HESCHEL

Our guest speaker at the following Friday Evening Service, March 15, at 8:30 P.M. will be Dr. Henry Steele Commager, well known author and lecturer. He has chosen as his subject, "Nationalism and the Community of Learning."

We are grateful to both our speakers for having accepted our invitation to participate in the Friday Evening Services during our 75th Diamond Jubilee Year, for they are recognized as prominent leaders in their respective fields of education.

Dr. Heschel, now serving as professor of Jewish Ethics and Mysticism at the Jewish Theological Seminary, has written many books on Jewish philosophy

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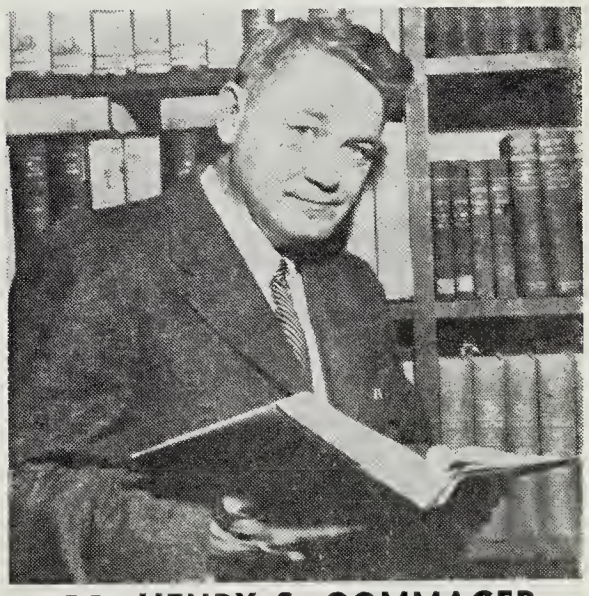

DR. HENRY S. COMMAGER

Purim Party Planned for Saturday Evening, March 16

By Howard Kieval

The gala *Purim* program on Saturday evening, March 16 will open with the reading of the *Megillah*. The service will commence at 7:30 P.M. Mr. Jacob Klein, president of the congregation, has invited a number of members of the synagogue to share in the honors of the reading of the *Megillah*. Immediately following the conclusion of the service in the Synagogue, a *Purim* fest will be held in the Lemberg Auditorium, magically transformed to look like ancient *Shushan* in Queen Esther's time.

Featured entertainer of the evening will be Mira Gilbert, talented and beautiful young folk singer. Miss Gilbert, who has just returned from a transcon-

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"In Appreciation"

Although Rabbi David C. Kogen came to the Park Avenue Synagogue in June of last year, to serve as our Rabbi for the summer months, he willingly consented to stay on with us to assist at the High Holiday Services.

Despite his many other pressing obligations and commitments as Director of Community Activities at the United Synagogue of America, Rabbi Kogen remained as our Visiting Rabbi far beyond the time he originally intended. Since Rabbi Kogen has been with us, we have come to admire and to love him.

Whenever called upon to function in whatever capacity the occasion required, he has graciously and willingly accepted every such assignment. He has been most cooperative in helping us during this trying period and it is therefore appropriate for us to record in our official BULLETIN, our love and affection for him. Unable to continue as Visiting Rabbi because of his other commitments, Rabbi Kogen will soon be taking leave of us.

Rabbi Kogen, who came to the Park Avenue Synagogue with a splendid background of religious training, was personally unknown to many of our Congregants, except by reputation, but when he leaves us, it will be with the friendship of all those who have had the privilege of coming into contact with him.

We wish him and his wife and children Godspeed and the best of everything.

In saying "au revoir", we do not mean goodbye, as Rabbi Kogen will continue to officiate on occasion, and at wedding ceremonies held at our Synagogue while the Pulpit remains vacant.

75th Diamond Jubilee
Park Avenue Synagogue
SUNDAY, MARCH 31
At 2 O'clock
RESERVE THIS DATE

SCHEDULE OF RELIGIOUS SERVICES

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First of the Milton Steinberg Memorial Lecture Series on Theology

Saturday Morning, March 9 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Jeffrey Mehlman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Saul Mehlman

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Dr. Henry Steele Commager, guest speaker, will speak on "Nationalism and the Community of Learning"

Saturday Morning, March 16 ..... 9:30 A.M.

Saturday Evening, March 16 (*Purim*) ..... 7:30 P.M.
Reading of *Megillah* and *Purim* Party

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Revised By-Laws Adopted At Meeting

The revised By-Laws, submitted by the Committee for the Revision of the By-Laws under the chairmanship of Judge Sanford H. Cohen, was formally adopted at a special meeting of the Congregation held Monday evening, February 11.

At the congregational meeting January 13, the new By-Laws was submitted for its first reading. With the action taken at the special meeting, the new By-Laws becomes effective immediately, except that the first election to be held thereunder will take place at the annual meeting in May 1958. Under the new By-Laws, the annual meeting will now be held in May of each year instead of January as heretofore.

To Our Bulletin Readers

"Dear Friends:

Do you know that one of the most precious possessions, as well as worthy and lasting inheritance, is the observance of the Sabbath and the celebration of the festivals.

The blessings recited by mother and father will kindle an everlasting spirit of renewed hope; faith; and love of the inheritage of our people.

It is our pleasant task to give visual expression to the beauty and sanctity of the Jewish tradition. You have it in your power to help make Judaism a living force of joy for your families and yourselves by making yours a truly Jewish home beautiful.

For *gifts* of ceremonial objects to grace your home, a joy forever—see our beautiful display in the foyer of the Milton Steinberg House. An interesting selection of daily Prayer Books — Bibles —Mazuzzahs—Talaisim—candle holders — chollah trays — spice boxes — many new beautiful gifts from Israel for you. It will be a pleasure to serve your needs. May I look forward to your call at ATwater 9-5500, 57 East 88 Street, or the Synagogue office.

Cordially yours,

Irma Heller, Chairman
Of Ceremonial and Gift Shop"

Bazaar-Auction on Wednesday, April 3 And Dinner to be Held By Sisterhood

By MURIEL MORSE

On the morning of Wednesday, April 3, Sisterhood will open its Bazaar in the Lemberg Auditorium. This will start the sale of the great variety of merchandise at very special bargain prices. A wonderful day has been planned, including a Shopper's Lunch, leading up to a gala night. The night will start with a delicious dinner followed by a sensational Auction as well as all sorts of games and a good time for all.

Under the capable leadership of Mrs. Harold Osserman as Chairman, and Mrs. Ted Meistrich as Co-Chairman of Merchandise, all members and friends of Sisterhood know an exciting event is guaranteed. We are assured of unusually fine food because Mrs. Jacob Starr is the Chairman of Catering. Mrs. Abraham Stangel is handling the task of Booth Arrangements and Mrs. Mortimer Millheiser is acting as Treasurer for this special occasion. Mrs. Arthur Morse will handle all Publicity and Mrs. Albert Siegel has agreed to take care of the Raffles.

The proceeds of this Bazaar-Auction will be used towards Sisterhood's annual Treasury gift to United Jewish Appeal and its Emergency Rescue Fund. Please send your merchandise promptly to the Synagogue addressed to Mrs. Meistrich and don't forget to get your share of bargains and fun on April 3.

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Synagogue Celebrates 75 Years on March 31

By SIDNEY KATZ

Sunday afternoon, March 31 will mark one of the major events in this year's numerous celebrations of the 75th Anniversary of our Synagogue.

In the Sanctuary of the Synagogue itself, there will be a meeting at 2:00 P.M. under the Chairmanship of Mr. Milton Weill, who has been one of the mainstays of our Congregation for decades and who has been and continues to be a major figure in Jewish communal life in New York City.

MILTON WEILL
Chairman, Jubilee Celebration

The program on March 31 will be in the nature of a meeting and rededication exercise and will feature short addresses, in addition to one by Mr. Weill, by persons occupying positions of leadership. At this writing the program will include Dr. Louis Finkelstein, Chancellor of the Jewish Theological Seminary, the leading Rabbi in the Conservative religious movement; Prof. Solomon Grayzel, eminent scholar and writer; and the Rev. Eugene Carson Blake, one of America's leading Protestant Church figures.

An interesting musical program is being arranged by Hazzan David Putterman accompanied by the Choir with George Crook at the organ.

The session will begin promptly at 2:00 P.M. and after the formal aspects of the afternoon are over a collation will be served in the Lemberg Auditorium.

Members of the Congregation will receive through the mail invitations as well as cards of admission.

Religious School News

By MARTIN LEICHTLING, *Principal*

Megillah Reading

The reading of the *Megillah* for students of the Religious School will be held on Thursday, March 14 at 4:30 P.M. in the main Synagogue. Greggers will be distributed to all the students and the traditional hamentashen will be served at the conclusion of the service.

Parents of children both in the Primary Department and in the Hebrew Department of the school are invited to attend the service with their children.

Purim Carnival

The annual *Purim* Carnival will take place on Sunday, March 17 at 10:00 A.M. in the Lemberg Auditorium. The Auditorium will be gayly decorated and the students will be dressed in the latest *Shushan* fashions.

A feature attraction of the morning will be a costume parade. The students, assisted by their parents and grandparents, who attended the *Purim* Costume Sewing Bee, have been preparing colorful and attractive costumes. Students, who come to the carnival dressed in holiday costumes, will be eligible for the ten door prizes to be distributed to the holders of lucky numbers.

Class booths, with games of skill and fun, will give students and parents an opportunity to spend their "holiday money" freely. All money raised at the carnival will go to the *Keren Ami* fund for distribution to philanthropic causes.

Youth Activities News

By HY SANKEL

Representatives of nationally affiliated youth groups in Greater New York participated in an Israeli Dance Festival at Hunter College. Three members of our teen-age groups, Rita Feibush, Elli Frischling and Nessa Hyams were selected to represent the thousands of people affiliated with the United Synagogue Youth. Their performance received wide acclaim. Many of our club members witnessed this great spectacle. Our own Synagogue has invited these three talented young ladies to dance at the *Purim* party to be held on March 16.

Dr. Edward T. Adelson, a member of our Congregation addressed the Teen-Age Clubs on the topic, "Adolescents—A Period of Changing Relationships." The young people were given a new insight into their own problems and possible avenues of solution. The question period was very spirited indicating a high degree of interest.

Purim Greetings From the President

In this year 5717, I extend to the members of the Park Avenue Synagogue the fondest *Purim* greetings of Mrs. Klein and myself.

Purim is a real day of joy and happiness for the Jewish people, and we are happy to share the pleasure not only with our co-religionists but with the people of all faiths.

Troubles, goodness knows, we have and still have enough to undermine the strongest of peoples. But we will not lose our faith and that's what buoys us up.

Most of us when faced with tragedy, feel the need for consolation. Alone, we draw on the inner resources that have built up within us during our years of living. And these secret selves cannot be shared by those who love us, even those whose grief is as great as ours. Happiness is an entirely different matter. Perhaps the most tragic individuals in all the world are those on whom good fortune descends, but who have none to share it with. Mark Twain, in one of his serious moments, ably summarized it.

"Grief can take care of itself: but to get the full value of joy, you must have some one to divide it with." And even though I am 1500 miles away from you, I am with you in spirit and will enjoy more than ever, this *Purim* with you.

Abraham Lincoln said: "I cannot fly from my thoughts; my solicitude for this country follow me wherever I go. I do not think it is personal vanity or ambition, tho I am not free from these infirmities."

If you will substitute for the words "for this great country", the words "for this great Park Avenue Synagogue", you shall have my feeling on this *Purim*, as expressed in Abraham Lincoln's words.

Even though Israel is undergoing a terrific crisis, no worse I should say than the Jews in Persia, when the royal edict went forth to destroy all Jews. Mordecai in great stress, warned Esther: "If you fail the Jewish people at this hour of their great peril, help and assistance will arrive from another source and you and your entire household will be destroyed".

And so I hope and pray that a satisfactory solution to the Mid-East crisis be resolved before this *Purim*.

I close with the salutation of Happy Purim, to each and every one of you, and to each of your respective families.

Fraternally and cordially yours.
JACOB KLEIN

Congregational Seder Planned for April 16

Invitations have been sent to all of the Congregants by Mrs. Solomon E. Green, Chairman of the Seder Committee, to participate in the second seder planned for Tuesday night, April 16.

The Committee has had to limit the attendance to 200 persons, so that those who plan to attend, should send their reservations in immediately. The seder will be open to members of the Congregation, their children, relatives and friends and the cost, which will include all gratuities, has been set at $11.00 per person for adults, and $8.00 for each child under the Bar Mitzvah age.

The seder will afford many of our Congregants the opportunity of enjoying the festive holiday spirit in the beautiful facilities available in the Lemberg Auditorium, and if the success of our previous Synagogue affairs is a criterion, then this function should top them all.

We suggest to those who intend to participate in this second seder at the Synagogue, that they send in their reservations to the Synagogue office now. If you delay, you may be too late.

Purim Party

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tinental concert tour, has a repertoire of songs representing all nations of the world. Her songs are in fifteen languages including Hebrew. Miss Gilbert, accompanying herself on the guitar, will also do a series of special *Purim* numbers.

A number of congregants will also provide "home talent" along with Miss Gilbert. Three members of the Youth Activities Division, will present a program of Israeli dances: Rita Feibush, Elli Frischling, and Nessa Hyams. Mrs. Galimir Hurtig, concert violinist and a member of Park Avenue Synagogue, will perform. Howard Kieval, chairman of the *Purim* celebration committee, will serve as the master of ceremonies.

Refreshments will be served at the conclusion of the program.

Dr. Levine To Speak To Students

By MARTIN LEICHTLING

The School Board has invited Dr. Milton Levine, assistant professor of pediatrics at Cornell University and eminent author and lecturer in sex education, to give a series of talks to our boys and girls in the Religious School in the age group between twelve and fourteen.

In 1954 and 1955 the School Board, recognizing the need for the education of the pre-adolescent in the knowledge and understanding of the wholesome relationship between men and women, inaugurated the course for our youngsters. The many enthusiastic comments by parents and students convinced us that the Religious School can play a significant role in the family-life education of our children and help the child to more readily meet the physical and emotional changes of adolescence.

The lectures will be held in Room 300 in the Milton Steinberg House, between 5:00 and 6:00 P.M. in accordance with the following schedule:

Wednesday, March 6
Wednesday, March 20
Wednesday, March 27
Wednesday, April 3

Parents of the youngsters may attend the first two sessions.

Seminary National Womens' Torah Fund

By MRS. HARRY NEIVERT

On Wednesday, May 1, the Torah Fund of the National Womens' League of the Theological Seminary is holding its annual Luncheon at the Park Avenue Synagogue.

Since all Sisterhood members are interested in this organization and our contributions help maintain their dormitories and scholarships, we urge your support. All members who contribute $18 and over will be invited as guests.

Sisterhood will act as the hostess because the event will take place on our own "home grounds". We sincerely hope for a good representation.

Friday Evening Speakers

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and mysticism which have been published in English, German, French, Hebrew, Yiddish, Spanish and Polish. His major work in two volumes, "Man Is Not Alone" and "God In Search of Man" has been acclaimed throughout the country for its profound and creative approach to religious philosophy and its distinguished literary style. The second volume was included in the list of 250 books of the year published by the New York Times Book Review. His book, "Man's Quest for God" was published in 1954, during which year, Dr. Heschel was the recipient of a Guggenheim award.

Born in Warsaw where he received his Jewish education, Prof. Heschel left Warsaw to attend the University of Berlin where he acquired his degree of Doctor of Philosophy. Two years later, he published in German, his major work "Maimonides" followed soon after by "Die Prophetie", which established his reputation as a ranking Jewish scholar.

In 1937, he became the successor to Martin Buber in the Frankfort Lehrhaus, an adult education school where he taught for a year, but left for London in 1939, where he established the Institute for Jewish Learning, a center for prominent Jewish scholars.

Prior to joining the Jewish Theological Seminary faculty in 1945, Dr. Heschel also served as associate professor of philosophy and rabbinics at the Hebrew Union College, in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Dr. Henry Steele Commager, now serving as professor at Amherst College, has achieved unusual distinction as an outspoken speaker and lecturer.

Educated at the University of Chicago, where he received his degree of Doctor of Philosophy in 1928, Dr. Commager has lectured at most of the leading Universities throughout the country, including N. Y. University, Columbia, where he srved as professor of history, Duke University, Harvard, University of Chicago, where he also received his Masters degree, and many others. He also has lectured at Cambridge University in England on American History.

Among his many books which have brought him recognition as a great author are "The Growth of the American Republic" (with S. E. Morison), "The Heritage of America" (with A. Nevins), "The Story of a Free People" (with A. Nevins) and "Majority Rule and Minority Rights". He also served as Editor of "Documents of American History", "Tocqueville's Democracy in America", and "The Rise of the American Nation" in 40 volumes, now in the process of publication. His book "Living Ideas in America" was published in 1951 by Harper and Brothers. He also is a contributor to "The Nation", "The Atlantic Monthly", and several other publications.

With the great reservoir of learning that Dr. Commager possesses and his courageous forthrightness in expressing his thoughts, we are sure our congregants will welcome the opportunity to hear him.

Following each of the services, a discussion period will take place in the Lemberg Auditorium and the usual *Oneb Shabbat.*

Parents Association Open Meeting, March 13

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

The Parents Association of the Park Avenue Synagogue will hold an open meeting on Wednesday evening, March 13 at 8:30 P.M. in the Lemberg Auditorium. Our speaker will be David Boroff, well known writer and lecturer, who will discuss that provocative subject, "The Over-Protective Jewish Mother."

Mr. Boroff, who is an instructor of English at Brooklyn College, was educated at Brooklyn College, Yale University and Columbia. He has written many articles for various scholarly journals and has been a contributor to The Reconstructionist, Congress Weekly and the New York Times. His recent articles in the New York Post on "Suburbia, Long Island", the intimate story of Great Neck, have attracted such wide interest that Mr. Boroff is now preparing another series for the Post on Darien, Connecticut.

All members of the congregation are invited to attend this meeting. Following the lecture, there will be a discussion period with audience participation, and a social evening.

Those present will have the opportunity to see the display of a *Purim* project under the capable supervision of Mrs. A. Stangel. This is designed to help make the celebration of this Festival more meaningful in the home and should be of interest to all parents.

Men's Club to Present Dr. William Metcalf At March 26 Meeting

By HARVEY GLASSER

On Tuesday evening, March 26, Men's Club will present the distinguished surgeon, Dr. William Metcalf, who will talk on the subject of "Heart and the Aging Process."

Dr. Metcalf, Associate Professor of Surgery at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine of Yeshiva University, is now serving as visiting surgeon at the 1400-bed Bronx Municipal Hospital Center, which is affiliated with the College. He is a graduate of Johns Hopkins School of Medicine and a former Harvey Cushing Fellow in Surgery at Yale Medical School.

At the last meeting of Men's Club, we were privileged to hear a talk by Rabbi Irving Koslowe, Jewish Chaplain of Sing Sing Prison, on the subject: "Inside Sing Sing." We all came away with a much better understanding of the problems confronting inmates of our penal institutions and what is behind the epidemic of prison riots and violence in the last few years.

The month of April promises to be a banner month for Men's Club. Please make note of these important dates: Friday, April 12 is Men's Club Sabbath; Tuesday, April 23 is our regular meeting night; and, Sunday, April 28 is designated Federation Sunday, at which time Men's Club will be host to Men's Clubs from the metropolitan area, which are affiliated with the Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs. The programs for all of these functions will be announced shortly.

"A NIGHT IN MONTE CARLO"

Saturday Evening
March 23
At 8:30 P.M.
Lemberg Auditorium
Park Avenue Synagogue

Young Marrieds Party For Milton Steinberg Fund

Have YOU purchased your ticket?

Admission $5.00 per couple

Sisterhood News

By MRS. SAUL GRANETTS

The next regular open meeting of Sisterhood will take place on Tuesday, March 19, at noon. As usual, a most interesting and provocative program has been planned for the enjoyment of the members and their guests.

Lester Slatoff, "Antique Detective", decorating consultant and dealer, will speak on "What Is It and How Much?"" He will prove to us that antiques and art appreciation are more than just hobbies—but a way of life. He will actually teach the audience to differentiate between original pieces and modern reproductions. Mr. Slatoff will also point out skills required of the antique and art collector.

"What Is It and How Much?" is an audience participation talk to which personal treasures may be brought for discussion and evaluation.

After a lifetime of antique study, Mr. Slatoff is a consultant for museums, a writer for national publications, an authorized appraiser for banks and insurance companies and an instructor in adult schools.

All members and guests are cordially invited to lunch. Mrs. Tubie Resnik, vice president of Sisterhood, will preside in the absence of Mrs. William Karmiol, our president.

Dr. Kayser to Lecture on March 18 and April 1

The Jewish Museum Society consisting of persons interested in promoting the Jewish Museum under the auspices of the Jewish Theological Seminary announced two lectures to begin shortly.

The first of these two lectures will be on Monday, March 18 at 2:00 P.M. at 1109 Fifth Avenue in the Museum and they will be delivered by Dr. Stephen S. Kayser, the curator of the Jewish Museum. The second lecture will be delivered on Monday, April 1 also at 2:00 P.M. His topic will be "Introduction to Modern Art with Specific Reference to Contemporary Jewish Artists".

These lectures are open to the general public with an admission charge of $1.00 per person. Mrs. Samuel Lemberg of our own Congregation is a member of the Jewish Museum Society.

United Jewish Appeal 1957 Women's Division

The 1957 Women's Division Campaign for the UJA of Greater New York was launched at a mammoth meeting held February 18 at the Hotel Sheraton-Astor ballroom. Over 3,000 volunteers, including the most outstanding leaders in communal and civic affairs participated in this traditional opening rally.

Among those representatives from the Park Avenue Synagogue designated to serve on various committees were the following: Mrs. Sigmund E. Siegel, named as co-chairman of the Women's Division; Mrs. Louis Grossman, associate chairman of the Women's Division; Mrs. Abraham N. Geller, a former chairman, designated to serve on the new committee inaugurated last year of former chairmen of the Women's Division; Mrs. Benjamin Sack, special gifts chairman of Manhattan Organizations, who together with Mrs. Moe Turman were named as members of the Advisory Board.

This year, the New York UJA is seeking to raise $28,000,000 as its share of the nationwide $100,000,000 Emergency Rescue Fund for Freedom and Survival.

This is in addition to the regular 1957 campaign.

Since World War II, the number of Jewish refugees fleeing from tyranny and danger has never been so great as it is at this moment. This Emergency Rescue Fund will help keep them alive and find freedom and safety.

The Park Avenue Synagogue Women's Committee, under the leadership of Mrs. Benjamin Sack, chairman, and her co-chairman, Mrs. Abel Phillips, urgently appeals to the members of their committee to exert every effort to secure contributions from all those on their assigned lists. Assisting Mrs. Sack and Mrs. Phillips, is a special committee from the Parents Association under the chairmanship of Mrs. Charles Weisberg and Mrs. Al Siegel.

The special gifts committee of Manhattan Organizations, under the chairmanship of Mrs. Benjamin Sack will hold a Brunch on Monday, March 18, at 11 A.M. at the Park Lane Hotel. All are cordially invited to participate.

This is the crucial time and your donation now may mean the difference between life and death for many of our Jewish brethern fleeing to safety. GIVE TO THE UJA!! GIVE NOW!!

Congratulations

Mrs. Dorothy Gellert and Mr. and Mrs. Murray Gillette—Marriage of daughter Marcia Gellert to Dr. Burton Gillette son of Mr. and Mrs. Murray Gillette

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Weill—35th Wedding Anniversary—March 5

Jacob Klein—Birthday—March 12

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Janovic—25th Wedding Anniversary—March 14

Mrs. Tillie Heller—92nd Birthday—March 23

Mrs. Emma Luebeck—94th Birthday—March 26

Dr. and Mrs. Sigmund Siegel—15th Wedding Anniversary—March 26

Mrs. Rea Racoosin — birth of a granddaughter Amy Rebecca Alpert

Mr. and Mrs. Norma Schorr—birth of daughter Susan Rebecca

Condolences

Mrs. Lillian Borgenicht — to the members of her family upon her passing

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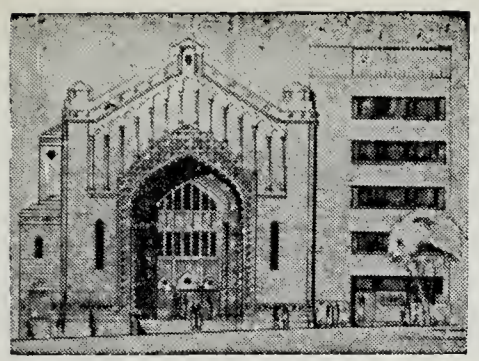

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Dr. Sachar, Speaker at Milton Steinberg Yahrzeit Friday Evening, April 5

The seventh Yahrzeit of Rabbi Milton Steinberg will be commemorated at the Friday evening service, Friday, April 5, at 8:30 P.M. Dr. Abram L. Sachar, who had a close friendship with our late, revered Rabbi Milton Steinberg, will be the speaker for this occasion.

Since 1948, Dr. Sachar has been president of Brandeis University, which was established on a nonsectarian plane as the first corporate contribution of the Jewish community to American higher education.

Educated at Washington University, Dr. Sachar continued his graduate studies at Cambridge University in England, where he received a Doctor's degree in history for special research in the Victorian House of Lords. Upon his return to this country, he joined the history staff of the University of Illinois

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DR. ABRAM L. SACHAR

Park Avenue Synagogue 75th Anniversary Celebration, Sunday, March 31, at 2 P. M.

Sunday afternoon, March 31 at 2 P.M. will witness a climax event in our Synagogue's 75 year history. The Park Avenue Synagogue Diamond Jubilee Celebration and Exercise will take place in the Main Synagogue that afternoon. An unusual program will bring to our Congregation three distinguished leaders of the major religious groups of the United States.

The program will include a series of short addresses. Dr. Louis Finkelstein, Chancellor of the Jewish Theological Seminary, will speak on "The Challenge of our Time to the Synagogue". The Reverend Dr. Eugene Carson Blake, world renowned Protestant leader will also speak, as will Judge Albert Conway, Chief Judge of the State of New York Court of Appeals. Judge Conway is a prominent lay Catholic and he will talk on "From the Pentateuch to the United States Constitution: Growth through the Separation of Powers." Mr. Milton Weill, who has been identified with our Synagogue for decades and who has been a prominent Jewish leader in New York for many years, is chairman of our Jubilee committee and will also speak on the program, as well as chair it. Dr. Solomon Grayzel, Editor of the Jewish Publication Society, scholar and author, will speak on "The Synagogue and Jewish Education".

The session, which will begin promptly at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, will be opened by Joseph Howard Katz, Chairman of the Board of Trustees.

A special musical program has been arranged by Hazzan David J. Putterman who will be accompanied by the Choir with George Crook at the organ.

An opening and closing prayer will be read by Sanford H. Hahn, Rabbi of the Jewish Center of Mt. Kisco. Rabbi Hahn is a graduate of our Religious School, a "product" of our Synagogue—the only one of our youth who entered the rabbinate. He was ordinated at the Jewish Theological Seminary. He was Bar Mitzvah at the Synagogue in 1939 and studied under the late Rabbi Milton Steinberg.

Greetings, which have been received from persons prominent in public life,

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Dr. Will Herberg, Guest Speaker, At Friday Evening Service, March 29

DR. WILL HERBERG

Our guest speaker at the Friday evening service, Friday, March 29, at 8:30 P.M., will be Dr. Will Herberg, well-known lecturer, teacher and author. His topic will be "Foundations of Jewish Faith" and will be the second in the Milton Steinberg Memorial Lecture Series on Theology.

The first in the series, delivered by Dr. Abraham J. Heschel early this month, discussed "The Vital Importance of Jewish Theology." Those who were present at that lecture will not want to miss this one by Dr. Herberg, who is recognized as a leader in the field of theology and social philosophy.

Dr. Herberg has lectured and conducted seminars at leading academic institutions, including Columbia, Cornell, Harvard, Princeton, Notre Dame, North-

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Schedule of Religious Services

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Second of the Milton Steinberg Memorial Lecture Series on Theology

Saturday Morning, March 30 .....9:30 A.M.
Rabbi Morris N. Kertzer will preach on
"Freedom's Opportunity"

Friday Evening, April 5 .....8:30 P.M.
Dr. Abram L. Sachar will deliver a lecture
In Commemoration of the
Seventh Yahrzeit of Rabbi Milton Steinberg

Saturday Morning, April 6 .....9:30 A.M.
Rabbi Seymour Siegel will preach on
"The Sick and The Healthy"

"Reflections of The Editor"

Those who attended our Friday Evening Service, March 22, will always recall this event with happy memories. Designated as "Jacob Klein Sabbath", it was dedicated as a tribute to Jacob Klein on the occasion of his 79th birthday.

Seldom have honors been heaped upon a more deserving man. Now serving his sixth consecutive term as president of the Park Avenue Synagogue, Jake was greeted by a great outpouring of members and friends, all anxious to participate in this demonstration of their love and affection for a loyal and devoted member of our congregation. Of even greater import was the fact one of our religious services was selected as the occasion to pay Jacob Klein this well deserved tribute.

Jacob Klein has indelibly identified himself with our institution. His many years of devoted service include almost every phase of Synagogue activity. His regular attendance at religious services has inspired others to increase their worship attendance. His visits to the sick both at home and in the hospital, his friendly calls to the bereaved, his presence on joyful occasions, all these, rendered in a spirit of kindness and love, have endeared him to many of our congregants. To Jake, all this is a labor of love, for his philosophy is simple: "If you want to be happy, try to make others happy." This he has done to a superlative degree.

Greetings and good wishes were extended to our guest of honor by all of the affiliated groups of the synagogue; for Men's Club, Milton M. Sivek, its president; for Sisterhood, Mrs. Irwin H. Rome, its acting president; for Parents Association, Mrs. Herman Helpern, its president; and for Young Marrieds, Fred Krones, its president and Harold Kurte for Senior League. These groups and the Board of Trustees together with the Teen-Age group, Religious School children and friends of Jake, have contributed to the Jewish National Fund through the Milton Steinberg Hadassah the sum of $1,500 to dedicate a grove of 1,000 trees in Israel in the name of Jacob Klein.

In honoring him in this manner, the name of Jacob Klein has been eternally linked with the Holy Land, a most fitting tribute to one whose devotion to Israel has been manifested in so many ways. This material participation in the afforestation program in Israel, so vitally important to its agricultural development, is worthy of emulation by others who wish to create this tie between their beloved ones and Israel.

Judge Sanford H. Cohen, a former chairman of the Board of Trustees, presented Jake with the scroll dedicating this grove in his honor.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees and the members of the Congregation, Judge Bernard Botein, also a former chairman of the Board, presented Jake with an appropriate scroll expressing our love and affection.

Michael Heyman, son of Mr. & Mrs. Oscar Heyman, speaking for the Bar Mitzvah boys and the Bas Mitzvah girls, expressed their appreciation for the thoughtful remembrances that Mr. Klein always presented to them upon "their day". John Kogan spoke for the teenagers. And as a complete surprise to our guest of honor, Judy Goldstone, his granddaughter, brought him a personal greeting and with her brother Richard, brought in a large birthday cake.

Friday evening, March 22, will always be remembered with happy thoughts, not only for Jacob Klein, his charming wife, Gertrude, and their family, but also for those who came to worship with us on this memorable occasion.

Dr. Sachar, Speaker

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and was one of the pioneers of the Hillel Foundation Movement which began at the University of Illinois and is now established on more than 200 campuses in the United States and Canada. For many years, he was national director and since 1948, he served as chairman of the National Hillel Commission until 1955, when he was made honorary chairman.

Dr. Sachar has been a familiar figure on the lecture platform throughout the country. He holds honorary degrees from seven universities, including Washington University, his own alma mater. His courses in "Personality in History" and "Books that Changed our Thinking" at the Illinois Wesleyan University brought him the honorary degree of Doctor of Humanities, which that institution conferred upon him.

Because of his close friendship to our late, revered Rabbi Milton Steinberg, we are grateful to Dr. Sachar for his participation in the observance of Milton's Yahrzeit.

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DR. LOUIS FINKELSTEIN

Dr. Louis Finkelstein, fourth president of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, is recognized as one of the most outstanding leaders and scholars on the American scene today. When the Seminary Administration was reorganized in 1951, he was appointed to the posts of Chancellor and President of the Faculties of the Seminary and continues to serve as Solomon Schechter Professor of Theology on the faculty of the Seminary's Rabbinical School.

A graduate of City College of the City of New York where he received his B.A. and of Columbia University where he received his Ph.D, Dr. Finkelstein was ordained a Rabbi at the Jewish Theological Seminary. He holds an honorary S.T.D. from Columbia University, a Doctor of Letters degree from Boston University, and is a Fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences.

Author and editor of many scholarly works, Dr. Finkelstein's published works include "Jewish Self-Government in the Middle Ages"; "The Pharisees, their Origin and their Philosophy"; "Akiba—Scholar, Saint, Martyr"; and "Beliefs and Practices of Judaism." He is also co-author of "Religions of Democracy" and "Faith for Today.' Among some of the works of which he is editor are: "Kimchi's Commentary on

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Isaiah": "Sifro on Deuteronomy" and his most recent work "The Jews, Their History, Culture and Religion". In addition, Dr. Finkelstein has contributed to many publications including The Jewish Quarterly Review, Journal of Biblical Literature, Harvard Theological Review, Menorah Journal, New Palestine, Hebrew Union College Annual and many others.

In 1940, Doctor Finkelstein was awarded the Townsend Harris medal and in the same year, was appointed by the late President Franklin D. Roosevelt to succeed Dr. Cyrus Adler as representative of Judaism to advice the President on steps for world peace.

Among the organizations with which Dr. Finkelstein is affiliated are the following: Rabbinical Assembly of America, of which he served as president from 1928-1930; the United Synagogue of America: fellow and member of the executive committee of the American Academy of Jewish Research: member of the Board of Directors of American Friends of the Hebrew University; president of Conference on Science, Philosophy and Religion; director of Institute for Religious and Social Studies, and trustee of Jewish Teachers College fund.

At the second Inauguration ceremonies of President Eisenhower, Dr. Finkelstein was selected, as representative of the Jewish faith, to deliver one of the prayers.

HON. ALBERT CONWAY

Honorable Albert Conway, Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals of the State of New York, having been elected in 1954 as the candidate of both major political parties, has attained the position of one of the outstanding jurists in the State of New York.

Shortly after his admission to the New York Bar in 1910, Judge Conway served as an assistant district attorney in Kings County until he was appointed Superintendent of Insurance in 1929 by the late Franklin D. Roosevelt, who was then Governor of the State of New York.

Appointed to the Kings County Court in 1930, he was elected the same year and served for one year, when he was elected to the New York Supreme Court as the candidate of both major parties.. In 1940, Judge Conway was appointed by Governor Herbert H Lehman as a associate judge of the Court of Appeals and was elected the same year, again the candidate of both major parties. When a vacancy occurred in the office of Chief Judge in 1954, Judge Conway was elected to the position he now occupies, a post formerly held by such eminent jurists as Judge Benjamin N. Cardoza and Judge Irving Lehman.

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Despite the arduous duties imposed by his judicial office, the highest in the State of New York, Judge Conway has continued his interest and activity in communal affairs. He is a Trustee of Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences, the Brooklyn Law Library, and the Grant Monument Association and serves as a member of the American Law Institute, American Bar Association, New York State Bar Association, Brooklyn Bar Association, and the Association of the Bar of the City of New York. A former Trustee of the Brooklyn Bar Association, he also served as president of the Brooklyn Council of the Boy Scouts of America, as well as a member of the regional executive committee, Region 2, which embraces the New York and New Jersey area.

A graduate of Fordham University Law School, where he received his LL.B. in 1911, and later his LL.D., Judge Conway was awarded an honorary degree of Doctor of Laws in 1951 by Manhattan College in recognition of his long and distinguished career in the field of jurisprudence.

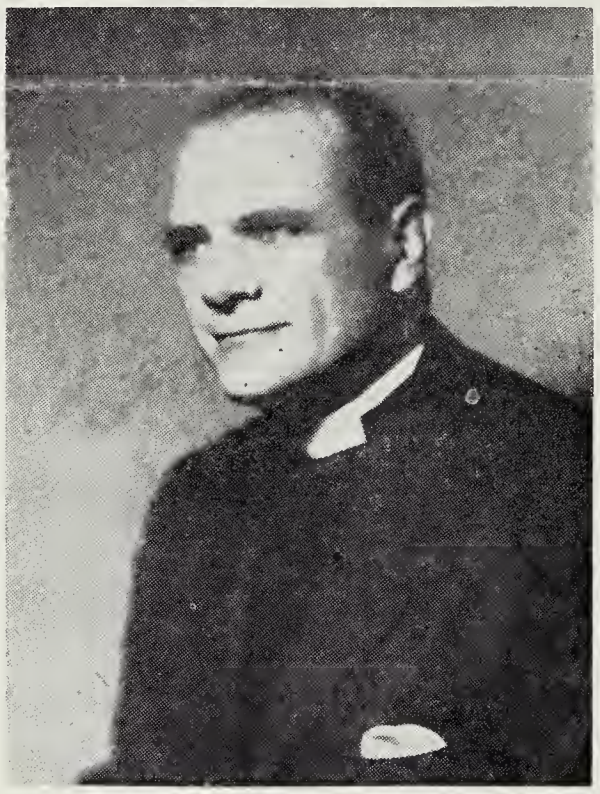
In 1950, Pope Pius XII conferred upon him the designation of Knight of St. Gregory.

DR. SOLOMON GRAYZEL

Dr. Solomon Grayzel, Editor of the Jewish Publication Society of America, is a graduate of the Jewish Theological Seminary, and received his doctorate of Philosophy from Dropsie College.

He is the author of the volumes: "The Church and the Jews in the 13th Century" (1933); and "A History of the Jews (1947). From 1929, and for more than a decade thereafter, he taught history at the Gratz College in Philadelphia. Subsequently, from 1950 to 1953, he was President of the Board of Overseers of Gratz College.

He was President of the Jewish Book Council of America from 1944 to 1950, and has been Honorary President since then. He is editor of *In Jewish Bookland* and Corresponding Secretary of the American Jewish Historical Society.



DR. EUGENE CARSON BLAKE

Dr. Eugene Carson Blake was elected Stated Clerk of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A. in 1951, and was unanimously re-elected in 1956 for a second term of five years. As Stated Clerk, Dr. Blake holds the position of permanent executive office of the General Assembly, which is the supreme governing body of the Presbyterian Church.

At a meeting of the General Assembly of the National Council of the Churches of Christ in the United States of America held in 1954, Dr. Blake was elected president of the National Council for a three-year term and as such, will preside over the next meeting of the General Assembly.

Dr. Blake was one of the foremost leaders at the General Council of the World Presbyterian Alliance and took an active part in the drafting of several important pronouncements of the council.

A graduate of Princeton University in 1928 with honors in philosophy, Dr. Blake has been a minister, teacher, lecturer and author. His book, "Presbyterian Law for the Local Church" contains a comprehensive summary of Presbyterian law relating to the local church and is a handbook for church officers and members. He is also editor of the Presbyterian Constitution and Digest, edition of 1956.

After his graduation from Princeton Theological Seminary in 1932 with the degree of Bachelor of Theology, Dr. Blake was assistant pastor of St. Nicholas Cellegiate Church, in New York, until he was called to the pulpit of the First Presbyterian Church in Albany in 1935, where he served until 1940, when he was called to the pulpit of Pasadena Presbyterian Church in Pasadena, California. Under his leadership, the Pasadena Church became one of the largest in the denomination.

Until Dr. Blake assumed the duties of his position as Stated Clerk in 1951, he was president of the Board of Trustees of San Francisco Theological Seminary in San Anselmo, California. He has served on numerous ocmmittees and church councils, including the Board of Trustees of Presbyterian Hospital, Philadelphia, Lawrenceville School, Lawrenceville, N. J., and Princeton Theological Seminary.

His work has been recognized by many institutions of learning which have conferred honorary degrees upon him, including the degree of Doctor of Laws from Mission Valley College, the degree of Doctor of Literature from Beaver College, the degree of Doctor of Divinity from Princeton University, and the degree of Doctor of Humane Letters from Parsons College.

Reserve This Date

FRIDAY, APRIL 12

Men's Club Sabbath

Zilbert's Choral Society Group

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Hazzan David J. Putterman

in a special program

Parents Association Purim Workshop

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

A word of appreciation goes to Mrs. A. Stangel for her inspiring Purim Workshop. For the sixth year, Mrs. Stangel has furnished glamorous costumes, lovely materials, trimmings, patterns, and expert advice to all mothers and grandmothers eager to see their Susans or their Peters costumed for the annual Purim Carnival Parade.

Many of those charming Queen Esther gowns of lovely pink or lavender silk, gayly beaded with colorful trimmings, were the handiwork of Mrs. Stangel. So, too, were the Hamen and Mordecai outfits. The young beauties in their full-skirted dresses with traditional hamentashen or tempting oranges sewed to their folds were gowned at the "Stangel Costume Workshop", room 503 of the Milton Steinberg House.

The Parents Association salutes Mrs. Stangel, one of its most talented members, and compliments her on her generous efforts to make it possible for many a youngster to march proudly in the Purim Parade.

Passover To Be Topic of Sunday Morning Seminars

Mr. Sidney Silberman, newly appointed chairman of the Adult Education Committee, announced that—at the request of the members—the fourth series has been added to the Sunday morning seminars. Beginning March 31 and continuing for the two consecutive Sunday mornings thereafter, the seminars will be devoted to a discussion of the meaning, ritual and history of Passover.

Specifically, the following topics have been chosen:

Sunday, March 31—"Preparing the Seder"

Sunday, April 7—"The Haggadah: Its Meaning and Interpretation"

Sunday, April 14—"Passover Customs and Rituals"

The Sunday morning seminars which are entitled "Our Jewish Heritage in the Modern World" are under the leadership of Dr. Arthur Hyman. The parents of our Religious School children as well as members of the community at large are cordially invited.

Dr. Herberg, Speaker

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western, Union Theological Seminary and the Jewish Theologieal Seminary. An author of great renown, his major works include "Judaism and Modern Man: An Interpretation of Jewish Religion" which has been hailed by Reinhold Niebuhr as "a milestone in American religious thinking"; "Protestant-Catholic-Jew: An Essay in American Religious Sociology"; and "The Writings of Martin Buber" edited by Dr. Herberg and recently published.

Educated at Columbia University, where he received his degrees, Dr. Herberg is presently Adjunct Professor of Judaic Studies and Social Philosophy at Drew University.

Following the services, there will be an opportunity for a question and answer period in the Lemberg Auditorium and the usual Oneg Shabbat.

Saul Godwin Appointed By USA Metropolitan Council

The Metropolitan Council of the United Synagogue of America has announced the appointment of Saul Godwin to serve as chairman of the committee on adult education of the Metropolitan Council and a member of its Executive Committee.

Mr. Godwin, vice-president of the Park Avenue Synagogue and a member of its Board of Trustees, has for many years acted as chairman of the adult education committee of our Synagogue in charge of its extensive program of adult education.

Renee Stern Bas Mitzvah Beautiful Ceremony

The efforts of the Park Avenue Synagogue and its Religious School Board to encourage Bas Mitzvos in our Synagogue bore its first fruit during the current year at a beautiful Bas Mitzvah ceremony which took place Saturday, March 16 as part of the regular Sabbath morning Service.

Renee Stern, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Samuel Stern, members of the Synagogue, completed her Bas Mitzvah exercises with fitting skill and dignity. Those who were fortunate to witness the ceremony were confident that this would encourage more young girls to prepare for Bas Mitzvah.

Our congratulations to Renee and to her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Samuel Stern.

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will also be read to the assemblage. Cards of admission have been mailed to all members of our Congregation. Additional cards of admission may be obtained upon request at the Synagogue office.

At the conclusion of the celebration in the Main Synagogue a special collation will be served in the Lemberg Auditorium.

Dr. Alfred J. Marrow Appointed Chairman

Dr. Alfred J. Marrow, a member of the Park Avenue Synagogue, was recently appointed by Mayor Robert F. Wagner to be chairman of the Mayor's Commission on Intergroup Relations. He succeeds Herbert Bayard Swope, former chairman of this Commission.

Dr. Marrow, well known industrialist and sociologist, is also a member of the faculty at the New School for Social Research, and the author of a book, "Living Without Hate".

The oath was given by Mayor Wagner in the presence of several hundred persons, including leaders of industry, civic organizations, religious and inter-relations groups, who attended the induction ceremonies.

Our congratulations to Dr. Marrow upon this new appointment and upon the Mayor of the City of New York for his excellent selection.

Mrs. Edward Peiper Honored by Guild for Jewish Blind

Mrs. Edward Peiper, known to us at the Park Avenue Synagogue as Frances, has been appointed Chairman of the Membership Committee for the New York Guild for the Jewish Blind Women's Division sixth annual membership luncheon, which will be held April 9 at the Waldorf-Astoria.

The yearly luncheon is given to spur financial and volunteer support to the Guild's programs for the blind and visually handicapped of all ages, races and religions. Guild services include professional casework and counseling, two nursery schools for blind children, a parents' group counseling program, vocational guidance and rehabilitation, groupwork and recreation, sheltered workshops, a Braille Library and a Home for the Aged Blind in Yonkers.

Sisterhood's Bazaar-Auction to take place Wednesday, April 3

By MURIEL MORSE

At press-time of this bulletin, Sisterhood has already collected a lot of interesting merchandise for the Bazaar and some "specials" for the auction. They even received a kangaroo, not alive of course, but a kangaroo who serves nuts, pretzels or candy—really unusual!

Our members have once again shown their graciousness and their loyalty to the Park Avenue Synagogue by their response to this function. To those of you who promised merchandise but have not yet sent it, Sisterhood would appreciate your taking care of it right away. We want to arrange our displays to the best possible advantage.

To all of you whom we have not been able to reach, won't you please send us new articles that are saleable at a Bazaar plus one special item suitable for our Auction? This function is to raise money toward Sisterhood's Treasury Gift to the Emergency Rescue Fund for United Jewish Appeal. Please send your packages directly to the Synagogue attention Mrs. Ted Meistrich, Merchandise Chairman.

Report by Mrs. Jacob Starr and Mrs. Harry Sokolow on the kind of Lunch and Dinner to be served, makes us wish we could have Bazaar meals every day-The Dinner, for only $2.00, will include Turkey or Pot Roast, homemade pies and "the works" — and naturally all strictly kosher. What a meal! What a bargain! And for what a cause! The "Shopper's Special" Lunch at $1.00 will also be a gourmet's delight.

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APRIL 3rd, ON A WEDNESDAY

Congratulations

Mr. and Mrs. Tubie Resnik—15th Wedding Anniversary—March 31

Dr. and Mrs. Harold Osserman—Birth of granddaughter Juliette Rose Osserman

Hon. and Mrs. Abraham N. Geller—Birth of granddaughter Lisa Geller

Mr. and Mrs. George Armour—Birth of granddaughter

Sisterhood Notes

By MRS. SAUL GRANETTS

"If winter comes, can spring be far behind?" The first harbinger of spring will make its appearance at the next regular meeting of Sisterhood on April 9 at 12 noon. Mrs. Edward Kolar will conduct a flower arranging session. Her program will be entitled "Flowers Go Native."

Mrs. Kolar is a vivacious and attractive young woman who has achieved great popularity with her courses in flower arrangements. She features an international approach to her subject using the flowers, pottery, and backgrounds appropriate to individual nations.

It is hoped and urged that all women of the Synagogue and their friends will make every effort to attend this meeting.

By means of this years' programs, Sisterhood has attempted to prove that all countries have common bonds of interest. Former meetings have illustrated this through religious ties, travel and food. On April 9, at our next open meeting, the illustration will be that of a form of culture which is attaining greater appeal every day.

In addition to "Flowers Go Native" there will be an interesting business meeting and lunch which will be served to all present.

Hazzan Putterman Disc Heard in Germany

More than a year ago, one of our members, Mr. and Mrs. Murray Aaronson, left on an extended tour of Europe. Recently while in Germany, they wrote a letter to one of our officers which contained the following paragraph:

"Last Friday night at 6:40 P.M. I listened to a religious service broadcast from Fankfort Germany, American Forces Network. For fifteen minutes every Friday evening is devoted to a Jewish Synagogue service. In addition to an opening and closing prayer by a Rabbi there is interspersed music by famous Cantors. On this Friday night I heard a record by our Cantor Putterman. I got quite a thrill and in addition to hearing his beautiful voice, it awakened in me a desire to hasten my return and again be a part of Park Avenue Synagogue."

Are You Going To The Second Seder, April 16?

The deadline for Seder reservations has been set for Tuesday, April 9, according to Mrs. Harry J. Sokolow, who is serving in an advisory capacity to the Seder Committee. This action was necessary as a result of the many reservations already received for the synagogue Seder which will take place Tuesday night, April 16.

If you plan to attend this function, we urge you to send in your reservation immediately. The cost, which includes all gratuities, is $11 per person and $8 for children under the Bar Mitzvah age.

Mrs. Solomon E. Green, chairman of the Seder Committee and her committee, which includes Mrs. Charles Beller, Mrs. Ezra Cohen, Mrs. Theodore Meistrich, Mrs. Tuby Resnik, Mrs. I. Rome, Mrs. Shy Rosen, Mrs. Benjamin Sack, Dr. and Mrs. Sigmund Siegel, Mrs. Estelle Wagman and Mrs. Max Zahler, have planned to make this Seder celebration one of the outstanding synagogue affairs of the year. A well known caterer has been engaged to cater the dinner and all other arrangements have been made to provide for the enjoyment of those who will share this meaningful Passover Seder ceremony with us.

There is not much time left. This may be your last opportunity to join with your family and friends on this festive occasion. ARE YOU GOING? If so, send your reservation, NOW-

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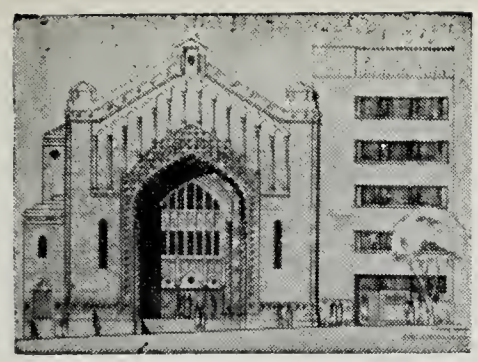

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Dr. Judah Nadich Elected Rabbi of Park Avenue Synagogue At Congregational Meeting Held Monday, April 8

Our New Spiritual Leader

RABBI JUDAH NADICH

At a special meeting of the Congregation of the Park Avenue Synagogue held Monday, April 8, Dr. Judah Nadich was elected to serve as our Rabbi for a term of five years.

Since 1947, Rabbi Nadich has occupied the Pulpit of Congregation Kehillath Israel, Brookline, Massachusetts, the largest Conservative Jewish Congregaton in New England. During the year prior to coming to Boston in 1947, Rabbi Nadich was engaged in an extensive speaking tour on behalf of United Jewish Appeal, which took him to sixty-two cities throughout the United States. During that tour, which included visits to foreign countries, he inspected the Displaced Persons camps in Europe for the Joint Distribution Committee, and flew to South Africa for a four months speaking tour of that country and Rhodesia at the invitation of the South African Jewish War Appeal.

During World War II Dr. Nadich was the first American Jewish Chaplain to be ordered overseas. While serving in Europe, three and one-half years, he was assigned to Ireland, Great Britain, France Germany, Austria and Czechoslovakia. After the first German concentration camps were overrun by the Allied Armies, General Eisenhower appointed Rabbi Nadich as his personal advisor on Jewish affairs.

Decorated by the French Government with the Croix de Guerre and by the British Government with the Order of the British Empire, he was also honored by the award of several American decorations. In addition, Dr. Nadich received a medal from Pope Pius XI for the service he rendered to Catholic Chaplains. In 1946, he was placed on inactive service in the Officers Reserve Corps, having reached the rank of Lieutenant- Colonel.

Prior to his war service, Dr. Nadich served as Rabbi of Temple Beth David in Buffalo, and as Co-Rabbi of the Anshe Emeth Congregation in Chicago. A graduate of the College of the City of New York, where he received his B.A. degree with Phi Beta Kappa honors, Dr. Nadich continued his education at Columbia University and graduated with a Master of Arts degree. In 1936, he was given his Rabbinical Ordination by the Jewish Theological Seminary which also awarded him the degree of Master of Hebrew Literature and in 1953, conferred upon him the degree of Doctor of Hebrew Literature.

During his residence in the New England area, Dr. Nadich has served as President of the New England Region of the Rabbinical Assembly of America, as vice-president of the Rabbinical Association of Boston, as a member of

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Men's Club Sabbath, April 12, Features Zilbert's Choral Society

The Friday Evening Service to be held Friday, April 12, at 8:30 P.M. has been designated as the Men's Club Sabbath. Once again, this enterprising and active group of our Congregation has arranged for an unusual Sabbath Service.

The Zilbert's Choral Society, internationally known singers, will participate in the musical portion of the Services with Hazzan David J. Putterman and the Synagogue choir and George Crook at the organ. Nat Gerber, Chester Glaser, Frank Howard and members of the Men's Club will join in the reading

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Young Marrieds Sabbath Friday Evening, April 26

By Fred Krones

The Young Marrieds, the newest arm of the Park Avenue Synagogue, will sponsor the Friday evening service on April 26 at 8:30 P.M.

The guest speaker will be Mr. Benjamin Wm. Mehlman, chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Society for the Advancement of Judaism. Mr. Mehlman, well known in Jewish, cultural, educational, and civic groups, will talk about "The Effect that the Reconstructionist Movement Has Had on Conservative Judaism". A member of the Na-

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"Welcome to Our Rabbi"

The BULLETIN is proud to record its official welcome to Dr. Judah Nadich as the new Rabbi of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

His selection as Rabbi to occupy our pulpit was upon the unanimous recommendation of the Pulpit Committee under the chairmanship of Benjamin Sack, and his committee consisting of Hon. Bernard Botein, Ben Gross, Gen. Melvin E. Krulewitch, Samuel Lemberg, Harold H. Levin, and Milton Weill, and the unanimous approval of the Board of Trustees.

Rabbi Nadich, who has served his present congregation for the past ten years, comes to the Park Avenue Synagogue with an eminent religious, educational and intellectual background, as well as an active participation in the communal affairs of his community.

As Rabbi of Congregation Kehillath Israel, in Brookline, Massachusetts, where he has served since 1947, he has ministered to a congregation of over 1200 families, he has developed a Religious School with more than 700 children, he has provided an extensive program of adult education to fit the needs of the members of his congregation, including those in the younger group, and in addition, he has rendered all those pastoral duties required of a rabbi of any large congregation. His leadership and magnetic personality have attracted large numbers to the regular Friday evening and Sabbath morning religious services, all eager to hear his weekly sermons.

In extending greetings to Rabbi Nadich, the chairman of our Board of Trustees, Joseph Howard Katz, expressed what is in the hearts of all of us:

"Dr. Nadich comes to us in the course of our celebration of our Seventy-Fifth Anniversary. He will add strength and spirituality to the lives of all who will come in contact with him. He is a man of wide community experience, a scholar and a person of moral and spiritual qualities which makes us feel very proud in welcoming him to our pulpit.

"Dr. Nadich will add strength to the religious life of all people in New York City by coming to our pulpit. We welcome him and wish him well."

According to present plans, Rabbi Nadich expects to take leave of his present congregation on June 30, 1957. Welcome, to our new Rabbi — Dr. Judah Nadich.

Schedule of Passover and Sabbath Services

Friday Evening, April 12 ..... 8:30 P.M.
Men's Club Sabbath
Zilbert's Choral Society Group
in a special musical program
Dr. Simon Greenberg will preach

Saturday Morning, April 13 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Sheldon Steinbach
son of Mrs. Ethel Steinbach
Dr. Simon Greenberg will preach

First Evening of Passover, Monday, April 15 ..... 5:45 P.M.
First Morning of Passover, Tuesday, April 16 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Rabbi David C. Kogen will preach on "Fettered Freedem"

Second Evening of Passover, Tuesday, April 16 ..... 5:45 P.M.
Second Morning of Passover, Wednesday, April 17 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Rabbi David C. Kogen will preach on "All That Night"

Friday Evening, April 19 ..... 5:45 P.M.
Saturday Morning, April 20 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Rabbi David C. Kogen will preach on "Religion: Opiate or Catalyst"

Seventh Evening of Passover, Sunday, April 21 ..... 5:45 P.M.
Seventh Morning of Passover, Monday, April 22 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Rabbi David C. Kogen will preach on "Perpetual Redemption"

Eighth Evening of Passover, Monday, April 22 ..... 5:45 P.M.
Eighth Morning of Passover, Tuesday, April 23 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Yizkor Memorial Services will be held
Rabbi David C. Kogen will preach on
"The Ghetto Uprising in Retrospect"

Friday Evening, April 26 ..... 8:30 P.M.
Young Marrieds Sabbath
Rabbi Morris N. Kertzer will officiate

Saturday Morning, April 27 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Rabbi Morris N. Kertzer will preach
Bar Mitzvah of Stephen Dell
son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Dell

Memorial Services (Yizkor) will be held on the last day of Passover, Tuesday morning, April 23. If you wish to have any member of your family memorialized, please return the enclosed card to the Synagogue office, not later than Friday, April 19.

Cohen Library Now Open For Service

After several months of intensive work, the Library Committee, under the chairmanship of Asa D. Sokolow, announces that the Cohen Library, located on the second floor of the Milton Steinberg House, is now ready for use by members of the congregation and the students of the Religious School.

Mrs. Guido Kisch, the librarian, has completed a classified catalogue of about 1200 volumes, comprising almost all fields of Jewish literature. There are books on the Bible, Jewish music, the State of Israel, history and art. A special juvenile section will serve the needs of the children. Mrs. Kisch will be happy to welcome her future readers and borrowers and hopes they will make use of the Library. The library hours are: Sunday and Tuesday 10 A.M. to 1 P.M., Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday 2 P.M. to 5 P.M.

Men's Club Sabbath Features Zilbert's Choral Group At Sabbath Service

ZILBERT'S CHORAL SOCIETY

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of the prayers.

The late Zavel Zilbert, founder of the Zilbert's Choral Society, was a graduate of the Warsaw Conservatory of Music, and the conductor of the world renowned European Hazomir Choral Society. He was the creator of great Jewish musical works based upon traditional Synagogue chants, Chasidik and folk music. Upon coming to this country in 1920, he conducted sensational concerts with a chorus of five hundred cantors at Madison Square Garden and in some of the great concert halls of America.

The choral group consists of men and women specializing in singing artistic music, with a fair proportion of standard classical works. It was organized in 1924 and has appeared at the "Night of Stars" at Madison Square Garden, at the Polo Grounds, at Carnegie Hall, and at Town Hall where its annual concerts were recognized as musical events in the City of New York. It has also appeared at Atlantic City Auditorium the World's Fair, Temple Emanu-El, the Park Avenue Synagogue and many other leading Congregations. It also sang at the First International Choral Festival in Israel.

Some of the outstanding soloists who have appeared with this famous choral group, include Richard Tucker, Jan Pearce, Robert Merrill and many other Metropolitan stars, in addition some of our leading cantors have appeared as soloists with the Zilbert Chorus, including our own Hazzan Putterman, Kusevitsky, Rosenblatt and a host of others.

The present conductor of the Choral Group is S. Silbermintz, who taught at the Juilliard School of Music, and at Brooklyn College, where he conducted its choral society with distinction. Mr. Silbermintz is a well known recording artist, editor of the book "Songs of Israel" and a pioneer in the field of recorded Jewish music in the United States.

Mr. N. Zaslavsky, will be the guest conductor, when the group appears on April 12. He will also lead them in an "Evening of Zilberts", a special program which is being arranged to follow the Services in the Lemberg auditorium. Mr. Zaslavsky is musical director of Radio Station WEVD.

As usual, an Oneg Shabbat will be held at the conclusion of the entire program.

Senior League News

By HAROLD KURTE

The next open meeting of the Senior League will be held on Thursday evening, April 25 at 8:30 P.M. in the Lemberg Auditorium.

Mr. Moshe Rivlin, Consul of Israel in New York, will speak on "Israel and The Middle-East Crisis."

A cordial invitation to attend is extended to all single folks of the Synagogue between the ages of twenty to thirty years. If you desire to join the Senior League please call or write to Mr. Harold Kurte, 330 East 79 Street, New York 21. Phone number is REgent 4-8195.

Young Marrieds Sabbath

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tional Board of Directors of the Reconstructionist Foundation and one of its official spokesmen, Mr. Mehlman is well qualified to discuss this philosophy which was conceived and developed by Rabbi Mordecai M. Kaplan and of which the late Rabbi Milton Steinberg was an exponent.

As in the past, the entire service will be conducted by the Young Marrieds under the direction of Messrs. Sidney J. Silberman and Asa D. Sokolow.

Mr. Fred Krones, president of the Young Marrieds, urges that all members of the Synagogue attend the service as it will be an excellent opportunity for our Congregation to learn about Reconstructionism from the layman's point of view.

An Oneg Shabbat will follow in the Lemberg Auditorium immediately after the service at which time Mr. Mehlman will answer any questions presented.

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Rabbi Judah Nadich Elected

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the Administrative Committee of the New England Region of the Zionist Organization, the United Jewish Appeal, the Board of Examiners of the Boston Public Library, the Jewish Community Council of Greater Boston, the Board of Directors of the Bureau of Jewish Education, and of the Associated Synagogues of Greater Boston. He is also past National Chaplain of the Jewish War Veterans of the United States and a member of the Commission on the Jewish Chaplaincy of the National Jewish Welfare Board.

Actively identified with many communal activities in the Boston area, Dr. Nadich is presently serving as a Director of the Combined Jewish Appeal of Greater Boston and a member of its Allocation Committee. He is also serving on the Boston Armed Forces Advisory Committe, the Executive Council of the Rabbinical Assembly of America and on the National Executive Board of Hadoar Hebrew Weekly. He is also Chairman of the Committee on Inter-Community Relations of the Histadruth Ivrith, the National Hebrew Language and Culture Association, and a director of the Federated Council of Israeli Institutions and of the Jewish Statistical Bureau.

Dr. Nadich has written many articles which have appeared in Hadoar, Congress Weekly, Jewish Advocate and the American Zionist. His brochure on Yom Kippur written for Jewish men and women in the Armed Forces has received wide distribution. Prayers written by him have been published in the popular book, "A Minute of Praper". He edited for publication in Israel, a Hebrew volume of scholarly essays by the late Prof. Louis Ginzberg, and is also the author of a book entitled, "Eisenhower and the Jews".

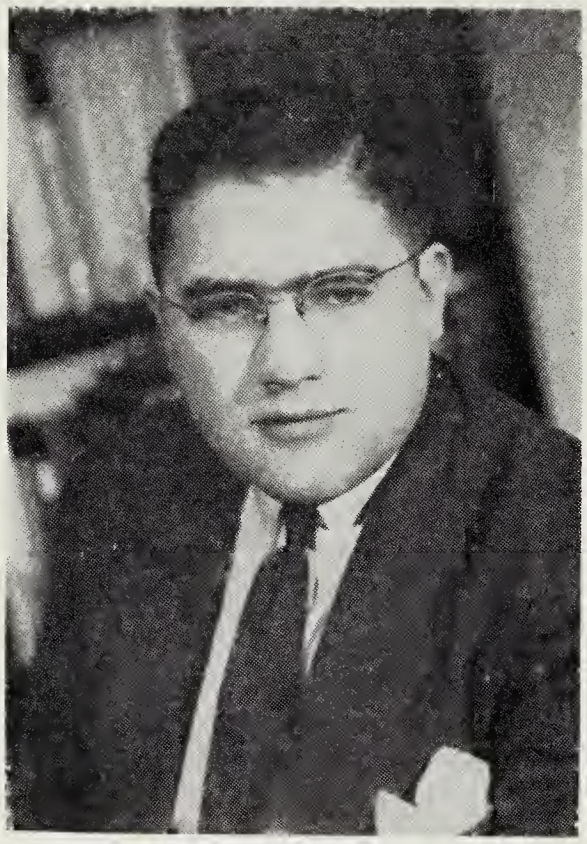
Rabbi Nadich is married to Martha Hadassah Ribalow and they have three children.

Memorial Services (Yizkor) will be held on the last day of Passover, Tuesday morning, April 23. If you wish to have any member of your family memorialized, please return the enclosed card to the Synagogue office, not later than Friday, April 19.

Rabbi Seymour Siegel Will Occupy Pulpit As Visiting Rabbi

Those who attended our Friday Evening Service, April 5, when the Yahrzeit of the late Rabbi Milton Steinberg was observed, had the opportunity of greeting Rabbi Seymour Siegel who occupied our Pulpit as Visiting Rabbi. He also preached at the Sabbath morning Services the following day.

Rabbi Siegel, ordained by the Jewish Theological Seminary in 1951, acts as Advisor to Students and Teaching Fellow in Talmud in the Rabbinical School at the Seminary. He also serves as registrar of the post-graduate department.



RABBI SEYMOUR SIEGEL

Rabbi Siegel is a graduate of the University of Chicago and received a degree of Master of Hebrew Literature from the Jewish Theological Seminary. During his studies at the Seminary, he won the Lamport Homilectics Prize and the Buttenweiser Prize in Talmud. In his senior year he was awarded the Cyrus Adler Scholarship, an honor bestowed on the outstanding student in the Seminary's senior class. He was also a member of the research staff of "The Eternal Light."

At present Rabbi Siegel serves as Secretary of the Committee on Law and Standards of the Rabbinical Assembly and on the Board of Editors of the publication "Conservative Judaism."

Rabbi Siegel will again be with us for the Friday Evening Services May 17 and the Sabbath morning Services May 18.

A complete report
of the
75th Anniversary Celebration
Held at the Park Avenue Synagogue
Sunday afternoon, March 31
Will be published as a supplement
In the next issue of the BULLETIN

Parents Association News

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

The Parents Association is delighted, indeed, with the enthusiastic response of boys and girls of our Religious School in the twelve to fourteen age group to the series of lectures which have been given by Dr. Milton Levine on sex education.

These lectures, inaugurated several years ago by the Parents Association, have become so successful that they are now part of the regular curriculum of the Religious School. Dr. Levine, assistant professor of pediatrics at Cornell University, is recognized as one of the foremost authorities on sex education. His series of talks afford a rare opportunity for youngsters to hear a vital topic discussed professionally and expertly.

We are happy that the School Board has decided to continue this course as part of the Religious School program.

Men's Club News

By HARVEY GLASSER

The next regular meeting of the Men's Club will take place on Tuesday evening, April 23. The program for this evening will be announced later and will be forwarded to the members for their information.

All arrangements are being made for Federation Sunday, April 28, when the Men's Club of Park Avenue Synagogue will play host to the members of all the Jewish Men's Clubs in the Metropolitan area. The program starts with religious worship at 9:30 A.M. which will be led by Hazzan Putterman. Brunch will be served at 12:00 noon.

The theme for the day's conference is "Goals for Men's Clubs", a topic which is of great interest to all those interested and identified with Men's Clubs activities. The business part of the meeting will be completed by 3:00 P.M. All members of our Men's Club are urged and cordially invited to attend.

Teen-Age U. J. A. Dance

By Hy Sankel

The Annual Dance conducted by the teenagers for the benefit of United Jewish Appeal, held on March 30, was again a great success. More than 300 boys and girls attended. Almost 500 dollars was raised. The many weeks of planning and working by the more than 60 committee members insured the success of this affair.

Peter Goldfarb and Linda Kahn were the chairmen and Dick Luria, Fred Simon, Joan Rubinstein, Mike Rogers, Roger Solomon, Geri Klein and Mike Kahn were co-chairmen.

Innovations introduced this year were a dance contest and a raffle. Mr. Stanley Simon, a member of the Synagogue, contributed the top prize of a Bulova transistor radio.

Once again the members of our youth groups have demonstrated, in a very tangible way, their interest and desire to help the cause of Israel.

"The Fifth Question"

The Jewish Child Care Association of New York has added a fifth question to the four that are customarily asked during the Seder service.

This fifth question is as follows: "When will I have a foster home?" This is the special question a number of Jewish children are asking at Passover time.

Continuing, the Jewish Child Care Association also asks, "Can you answer this plea by opening your home to a child whose own home has been temporarily disrupted by misfortune?"

According to the Association, its most urgent need is for foster homes for babies and pre-school age boys and girls. These children are not for adoption. There is a monthly board payment for each child, plus medical care, clothing and other essentials.

The Jewish Child Care Association has requested that this material be published in our BULLETIN and suggests that if any further information is desired, those interested please get in touch with the Foster Home department of the Jewish Child Care Association, 329 East 62 Street, New York 21. The telephone is TE 8-4500.

Harold H. Levin Honored By Y. M. & Y. W. H. A.

Harold H. Levin, a member of the Board of Trustees of the Park Avenue Synagogue, and long identified with our Congregation, has been elected president of the Young Men's and Young Women's Hebrew Association at Ninety-Second Street and Lexington Avenue.

President of Y.M. & Y.W.H.A.

HAROLD H. LEVIN

His service at the 92nd Street "Y" goes back many years. Starting as a staff member in the Club Department in 1921, Mr. Levin has served that institution, the largest and oldest Jewish community center in the United States, in various capacities, including membership on the Board of Directors for the past fifteen years. A former president of the Metropolitan Council of the Jewish Welfare Board, he is also a trustee of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies.

We are happy to join in extending our congratulations to one of our colleagues for a well deserved honor.

Religious School Spring Recess

The spring recess of the Religious School will take place during the Passover Week and through the Public School vacation. School will be closed on . . .

MONDAY, APRIL 14

and will re-open on . . .

MONDAY, APRIL 29

Religious School News

By Martin Leichtling

The students of the Religious School will conduct five Model Sedorim on Sunday morning, April 14. It is our hope that all parents will visit our school on that morning and join in the festivities.

The Primary Department will hold a special Seder in the Lemberg Auditorium while each grade in the Hebrew Department has its Seder in the Milton Steinberg House. The Primary Department Seder will be conducted by Hazzan Putterman with the assistance of the children in the school. Each class will be responsible for the decoration of its Seder table and many classes have planned for appropriate holiday centerpieces which have both a traditional and a modern significance. The reading of the Haggadah and the singing of the Passover melodies will be led by the students in the school.

Mrs. Joseph Rubinstein, Mrs. Jack Kurzweil and Mrs. Paul Miller and a committee of Class Mothers have arranged for the preparation and the serving of traditional holiday foods.

"Open Letter to Jacob Klein"

The following letter was received from John Stangel, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Stangel, active members in our Synagogue. John is a student of the Religious School and sent the following open letter to Jacob Klein, our president.

"May I extend to you my best wishes on your birthday. About three years ago you wrote a letter to me on my Bar Mitzvah day as you did to numerous other Bar Mitzvahs. Following this letter, I began to follow your example by attending Services both on Friday evenings and Saturday mornings.

"There I met many of the members of our Synagogue together with Cantor Putterman and the Rabbis who officiated. I decided to study much harder as I hoped some day to be well versed in Judaism and the historical background of the Jewish people. As one of many Bar Mitzvahs of the Park Avenue Synagogue, I owe you a lot and I would like once again to wish you many happy returns of the day."

Sisterhood to Honor Frieda Sack at U. J. A. Tea On Monday, April 29

By MURIEL MORSE

Sisterhood will honor one of its most beloved members at a Tea for U.J.A. Frieda Sack, for many years has been the inspiring Chairman who, with her Committee, has made Park Avenue Synagogue a vital and important group in U.J.A.'s Women's Division. Mrs. Sack's great feeling of devotion to the importance of living a full Jewish life, has developed in her all the qualities of a strong, impartial leader in every phase of Synagogue life—a truly great lady!

At a time when Israel faces her greatest crisis, at a time when thousands of Jews face the problem of survival, it is only through the understanding and generosity of American Jewry that there can be a hope of saving the lives of these Jews who might otherwise perish. This is a year for all Jews to extend themselves and open their hearts so that each individual woman can honestly feel and say to herself "I have done *my* part."

Mrs. Tubie Resnick has graciously given her home, at 605 Park Avenue, for this Tea which will be on Monday, April 29 at 1:30. The guest speaker will be Mr. I. Robert Abrahami, a dynamic young Israeli industrialist, who will give us the real inside story of what is happening in Israel today.

All of Sisterhood members are urged to respond to their invitations promptly so that we can make this U.J.A. Tea an afternoon worthy of the Park Avenue Synagogue and its great tradition in coming to the aid of the distressed Jews all over the world.

Camp Ramah Film Being Produced

Reuben R. Kaufman, a member of the Park Avenue Synagogue, has announced that Guild Films, of which he is the President, is currently producing a film on Camp Ramah.

Mr. Kaufman, who was the first Chairman of Camp Ramah in Wisconsin, is now a member of the National Ramah Commission.

Archie I. Thurman and Milton M. Sivek, both active members of the Park Avenue Synagogue and of its Board of Trustees, were recently elected to serve on the Board of Directors of Camp Ramah in Connecticut.

Enthusiastic Response To Congregational Seder

By BELLE GREEN

Passover has become for all peoples a symbol of humanity's first festival of freedom. It marks the ascendancy of mankind to a level, where, it is understood that all men are created equal, and no one group has a moral right to subjugate another.

The Passover Festival, with its richness of symbolism, provides a unique method of identification with the faith and eternity of the Jewish people. It provides an object lesson to all other peoples, of the survival of our ancestors, through the vicissitudes of the ages, due to their practice of a highly ethical standard of respect for the individual.

This concept was the forerunner and example for all freedom, as it is known today. It is a holiday that conveys to its celebrants, in a most picturesque way, the joy, the beauty, and the meaning of our heritage. This spirit of freedom is beautifully portrayed in the Haggadah which will be read during our Seder Service.

The enthusiastic response of our membership indicates that the Second Seder to be held in the Lemberg Auditorium, Tuesday evening, April 16, will be an event long to be remembered in the annals of our Synagogue history. The Seder will be conducted by Rabbi David C. Kogen and Hazzan David J. Putterman with the assistance of the Synagogue choir.

The Matzoh covers which will be used during the Seder Service have been donated by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Beller, in honor of Mrs. Beller's parents. Our grateful thanks to them for this beautiful gift.

Junior Congregation Holds Passover Service

The Junior Congregation will hold holiday services in the Appleman Chapel on the First Days of Passover and the latter Days of Passover. Irving Spielman, who conducted the High Holy Day Services at the Jewish Museum, will supervise the services at 10 A.M. on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings, April 16 and 17 and on Monday and Tuesday mornings, April 22 and 23.

All students are urged to participate in the worship and to enjoy the holiday refreshments that will be served after each of the services.

Synagogue Members Honored by UJA Women's Division

At the recent brunch held by the Manhattan Organizations Women's Division of the United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York, two members of the Park Avenue Synagogue were signally honored.

Mrs. Sigmund A. Siegel, chairman of our School Board and a member of our Board of Trustees, together with Mrs. Benjamin Sack, also a member of the Board of Trustees, and active in synagogue affairs, were the recipients of beautifully engraved fruit plates designed and made in Israel, in recognition of their outstanding achievements during the 1956 UJA campaign.

At present, Mrs. Siegel is co-chairman of the Greater New York UJA Women's Division, and an active leader in the 1957 campaign. Mrs. Sack heads the Manhattan Organizations special gifts committee and is recognized as one of the most indefatigable workers in the cause.

We, in the Park Avenue Synagogue, are proud to claim both of these charming ladies as active members of our congregation.

Condolences

Mr. Archie I. Thurman—death of his mother Sarah Thurman

Henry Koch — death of sister Regina Kohn

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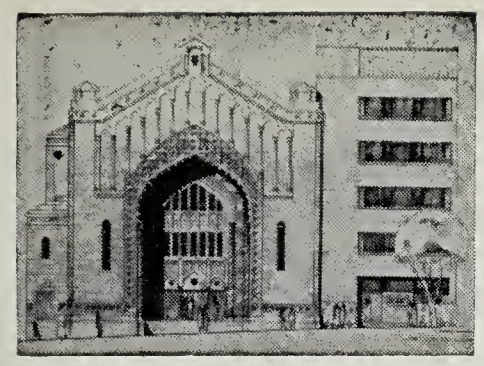

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Reception Planned for Rabbi and Mrs. Nadich Sunday Evening, May 12

Joseph Howard Katz, chairman of the Board of Trustees, has announced that all members of the Congregation and their wives have been invited to an informal reception at which our new Rabbi and Mrs. Nadich will be presented to our Congregants.

The affair, which will take place on Sunday evening, May 12, at 8:00 P.M., will enable Rabbi Nadich to meet many of our congregants personally prior to his assumption of the post of Rabbi of Park Avenue Synagogue. The reception will be held in the Lemberg Auditorium.

Rabbi Nadich is looking forward to this opportunity to greet our congregants. Invitations have been mailed to all the members of the Park Avenue Synagogue enclosing cards, which should be returned to the Synagogue office, indicating whether attendance at the reception is expected.

Rabbi Sanford H. Hahn and Rabbi Gerson D. Cohen, To Preach at Sabbath Services as Visiting Rabbis

During the month of May, the members of the Park Avenue Synagogue will have an opportunity to hear two of the younger members of the Rabbinate, both of whom have already achieved considerable prominence in their respective fields.

RABBI SANFORD H. HAHN

On Friday evening, May 3, Rabbi Sanford H. Hahn, a graduate of the Park Avenue Synagogue Religious School, and now serving as Rabbi of the Jewish Community Center of Mt. Kisco, New York, will preach on "The Synagogue and You". He will also preach at the Sabbath morning service the following day. His topic will be "At the Crossroads".

At the Friday evening service, May 10, Rabbi Gerson D. Cohen will occupy our pulpit as the Visiting Rabbi and will preach on the topic "The Preservation of Jewish Books". He will also preach at the following Sabbath morning service on the subject "The Proclamation of Freedom".

Rabbi Hahn, a graduate of Queens College with a B.A. degree, was ordained at the Jewish Theological Seminary in 1954, where he received the degree of Master of Hebrew Literature. He received his early religious training al-

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Schedule of Religious Services

Friday Evening, May 3 ..... 8:30 P.M.

Rabbi Sanford H. Hahn will preach on "The Synagogue and You"

Saturday Morning, May 4 ..... 9:30 A.M.

Bar Mitzvah of Benjamin Lobel
Son of Mrs. Arthur Kahr
Rabbi Sanford H. Hahn will preach on "At The Crossroads"

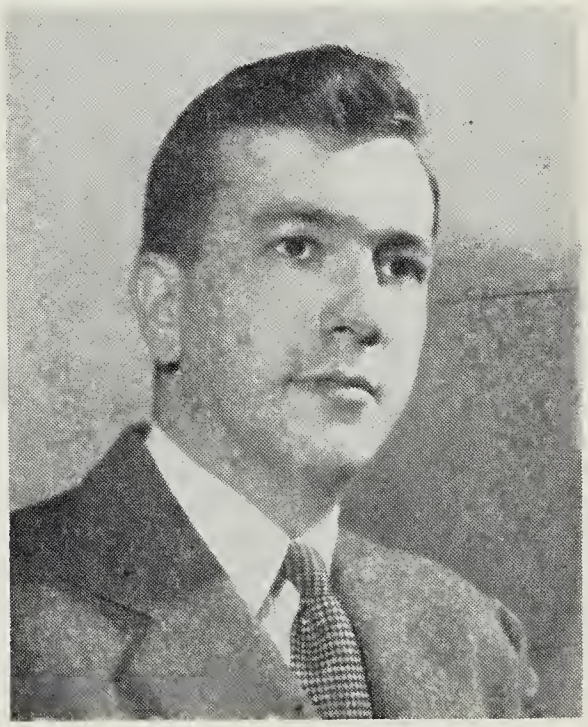
Friday Evening, May 10 ..... 8:30 P.M.

Rabbi Gerson D. Cohen will preach on "The Preservation of Jewish Books"

Saturday Morning, May 11 ..... 9:30 A.M.

Bar Mitzvah of Stephen Eisenberg
Son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Eisenberg
Rabbi Gerson D. Cohen will preach on "The Proclamation of Freedom"

Hazzan David J. Putterman will officiate, assisted by the Synagogue Choir and George Crook at the organ



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"Some Observations"

We, who live in the metropolitan area of New York City, are probably unaware of the problems confronting hundreds of small Congregations in America because they lack the leadership of rabbis and teachers.

A typical example is the little Jewish community in Ottumwa, Iowa, with about fifty-five Jewish families, far removed from any great center of Jewish life. How they solved their problem in the Ottumwa Synagogue is very interesting.

Located ninety miles from Des Moines, the nearest community with a Rabbi, the Ottumwa Synagogue engaged Jack Schechter, a student at the Jewish Theological Seminary, to serve as its community rabbi and cantor. Once a month, Mr. Schechter journeys by plane to visit his Congregation in Ottumwa to lead them in their religious services, to teach their children as well as the adults something of their Jewish heritage, and to perform such other varied pastoral duties expected of a Synagogue rabbi.

Despite the scanty religious education of the teen-agers, a program has been developed so that these young people will have the opportunity to meet socially with other Jewish boys and girls and thus meet their social needs, in addition to providing them with an attractive presentation of Jewish customs and ceremonies. Already this meager beginning has aroused their keen interest in their Jewish background.

Of special interest to us at Park Avenue Synagogue is the fact that a study group has been established as part of the educational program, to meet once a week to discuss, "Basic Judaism", of which our late, revered Rabbi Milton Steinberg was the author. Through the medium of this instructive and illuminating book, it is hoped that the members of this Jewish Congregation will acquire a better understanding of what it means to be a Jew.

As Mr. Schechter discovered from his monthly visits to this small community, "There is latent in our people, a wonderful potential of loyalty to the Jewish faith and heritage: a flickering flame that needs but to be fanned."

N. R.

"Frontiers of Faith" Awarded Honor Medal

The Jewish Theological Seminary of America was the recipient of the George Washington Honor Medal for its presentation of "Frontiers of Faith". The Award was in recognition of this program as "an outstanding achievement in helping to bring about a better understanding of the American way of life".

"Frontiers of Faith" also received an Honor Award from the National Council of Christians and Jews for its presentation of "The Gift", a story written by Joseph Mindel, dealing with the freeing of a slave by a Jewish merchant. This telecast of "The Gift" was presented by the National Broadcasting Company under the auspices of the Jewish Theological Seminary and received high praise in several theatrical magazines for its unusual dramatic approach.

Those who follow the Eternal Light schedule which is produced under the auspices of the Jewish Theological Seminary will be interested in the presentation "Gideon Goes To War" written by Steven Gethers which will be presented on May 5. The script is based on the book "Gideon Goes To War" and deals with Ordy C. Wingate, a British soldier who devoted much of his life to the cause of Israel Independence. Those who are interested should consult local papers for time and stations.

Torah Covers Available

Our good friend Mrs. Anna Edelman, who has made many Torah covers and who embroidered the perochet for the ark, wishes to announce that she has completed three white and two blue Torah covers which are being offered to members of the Congregation. The Torah covers will be embroidered with the names of those who want to purchase them.

Please communicate with the Synagogue office, if you are interested in donating a Torah cover.

From the Desk of the Executive Director

The month of May brings three big events to our Synagogue.

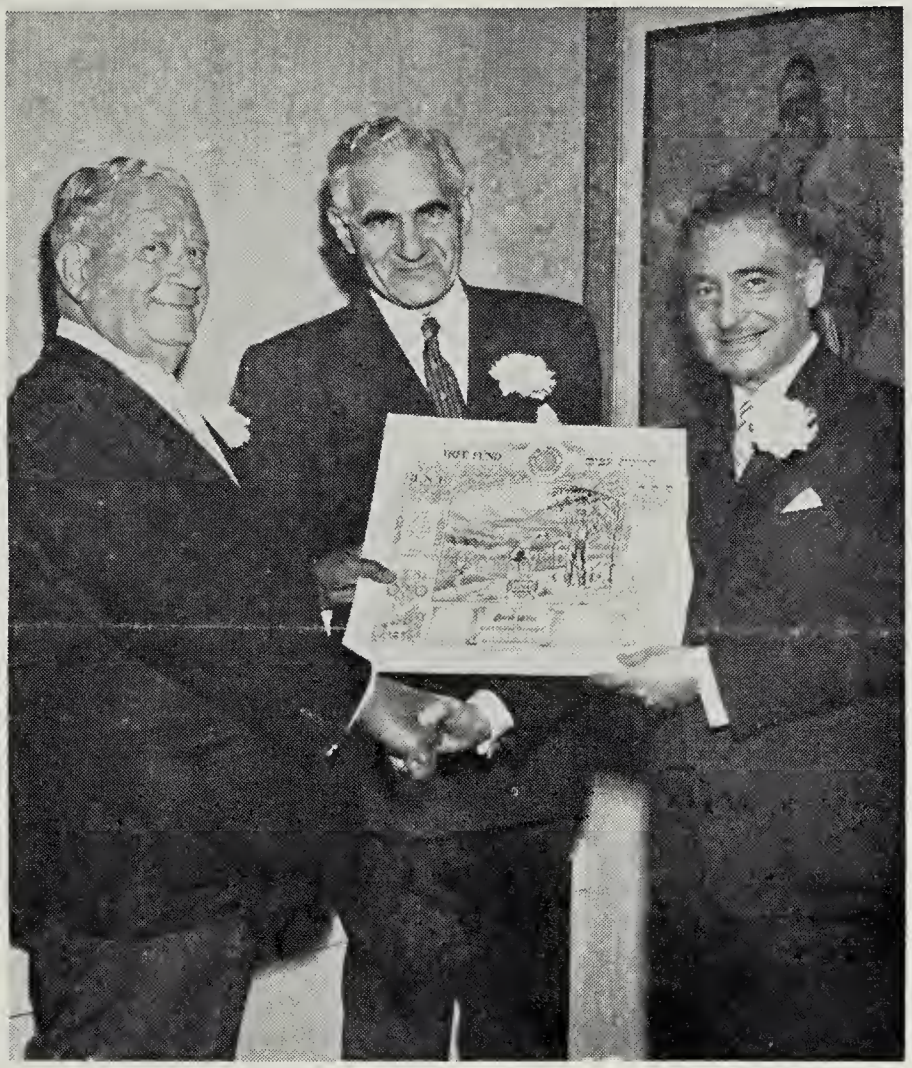
None of our congregants will want to miss the opportunity of socially meeting Rabbi and Mrs. Judah Nadich on Sunday evening, May 12. For most of us this will be the first opportunity to meet one of the nation's most distinguished Rabbis who comes to us with the blessing and good wishes of many leading Jews throughout the nation. Those who have already met Rabbi Nadich are certain that he will bring to the pulpit of the Park Avenue Synagogue distinction, scholarship and spiritual leadership.

This Friday night, May 3, our Visiting Rabbi and guest speaker is of more than passing interest precisely because he is a product of Park Avenue Synagogue. Often we wonder why someone who passes through our Religious School and comes under the influence of the spiritual leaders of our Congregation will nevertheless lead an adult life not only distant but sometimes hostile to all that Judaism represents. For these failures, and they must indeed be classed as such, are in some measure the failure of the Synagogue, although of course they never can be fully charged to us alone. Sanford H. Hahn was just one of many Bar Mitzvah boys who recited the blessing from our pulpit. His having achieved the Rabbinate is to no small degree a compliment to our Synagogue. True enough, others have been trained at Park Avenue Synagogue and have grown into manhood and maturity and now lead lives of usefulness to their community, to their religion and to their country. However, a Synagogue has special reason to be pleased and proud when one of its members becomes a Rabbi.

The final big event of the month of May is one of the unusual features in our Congregational life with the annual concert of new liturgical music, the thirteenth in the series arranged for and presented by Hazzan David J. Putterman. Not only religious Jews from other Congregations but Jews with cultural and musical interest crowd our Synagogue on these occasions. This year on Friday evening, May 24 a new liturgical musical composition will be presented and those who have never heard these programs in the past will be sure to want to attend that Friday evening Service.

S. R. K.

Presentation of Jewish National Fund Scroll To Jacob Klein on the Occasion of His 79th Birthday



Left to right: Jacob Klein, Hon. Bernard Botein, Joseph H. Katz. (Due to illness Hon. Sanford H. Cohen was unable to be present, but his remarks which were read to the congregation are printed below.)

(Remarks of Hon. Sanford H. Cohen)

I am very pleased to have been designated to participate on this happy occasion in celebration of your 79th birthday and the 75th anniversary of the Park Avenue Synagogue. This is truly a Jacob Klein Night. I suppose my appearance in this role comes because of our long standing friendship and the fact that I was chairman of the nominating committee in January 1952 when I suggested your name for the position of president of the Synagogue. It then became incumbent upon me to make this offer to you to accept the presidency. Your first inclination was to decline but I induced you to think it over for a day, after I had given you all the reasons for acceptance.

After you had discussed it with your dear wife Gertrude, you finally agreed. That was an auspicious occasion for the Park Avenue Synagogue. And a word must be said, with some gratitude for Gertrude who has given up so much of the time that would generally be hers and yours together. You have already heard from the affiliates of the Synagogue. Ordinarily an occasion such as this is celebrated with a dinner either in the Lemberg Auditorium or in an hotel. This function might seem unusual and novel but it is befitting because your major interest has been in the Synagogue.

Your devotion to and sincere interest in the activities of the various arms of the Synagogue is known to all. This is not because you are president. This attachment is due to your Jewish learning and your desire to foster the teachings of the Torah. Few know how much time you spend, the delightful correspondence you have with young and old, the pastoral duties you take upon yourself, all of which has endeared you to every member of the Synagogue.

You have given more than lip service to the State of Israel and your interest was increased by your visit there twenty months ago. The requirements of Israel are in a measure fulfilled by such projects as the Jewish National Fund. Few realize the importance of tree planting and forest preservation in the growth of a country. For Israel it means reduction of soil erosion, protection of crops and help towards its security.

The constituent organizations of the Synagogue and the trustees could have presented you with a personal gift but that would not be of such lasting use or even symbolic of your interest.

So very wisely there has been donated to the Jewish National Fund, a sum for the planting and purchasing of a grove of 1000 trees in Israel to be known as the Jacob Klein Grove.

It is therefore with extreme pleasure that I present to you, on the behalf of the various arms of the Synagogue this scroll of the Jewish National Fund. With this goes all our best wishes to you and Gertrude for a long life, good health, and continued activity and interest in the Park Avenue Synagogue.

Visiting Rabbis

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most exclusively at the Park Avenue Synagogue from which he was Bar Mitzvah in 1939.

Following his graduation from the Seminary, Rabbi Hahn served as Chaplain in the United States Navy for a period of two years, until he was called to occupy his present post as Rabbi of the Mt. Kisco Jewish Community Center. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Isidore Hahn, have been members of the Park Avenue Synagogue for over 25 years.

Rabbi Gerson D. Cohen, a graduate of City College of the City of New York, magna cum laude, with special honors in the social sciences and where he was elected to Phi Beta Kappa, was ordained at the Jewish Theological Seminary in 1948, with the degree of Master of Hebrew Literature, with distinction. He is now serving as Librarian of the Jewish Theological Seminary, and as instructor of Jewish Literature and Institutions at the Rabbinical School.

Rabbi Cohen has contributed to many Hebrew and English publications. His study "The Story of Hannah and Her Seven Sons in Hebrew Literature," appeared in the Mordecai Kaplan Jubilee Volumes, and his essay, "The Talmudic Age" was included in the recent volume edited by Leo W. Schwarz, "Great Ages and Ideas of the Jewish People". He is currently engaged in editing Abraham Ibn Daud's "History of Tradition" and is preparing for publication a new edition of "The Seder Olam" in which he collaborated with the late Professor Alexander Marx.

The usual Oneg Shabbat will follow both services in the Lemberg Auditorium.

"An Open Letter To Cantor Putterman"

You crowned the event of our Congregational Seder with your masterful guidance of the proceedings. All of the basic preparations would have been wasted, if the timing, judgment and spirit had not been just right. Your warm and paternalistic way of handling the children was beautiful to behold. It kept the tiniest tots remarkably quiet and well behaved throughout the evening—yet, allowed them full freedom to participate with happy abandon at the right moment.

Your gracious manner with the ladies made them feel like queens in their own homes. The men enacted the roles of heads of individual families. There was a spirit of hominess, not of an impersonal, institutional affair. The music selected for audience participation was appropriate and enjoyable. The talented choir with our Mr. George Crook at the piano, gave a fine rendition.

It appeared as if you, too, were enjoying the spiritually meaningful ceremonies, so, you held the interest of your audience. Dear Amy, Olov Hashalom, would have been so proud of you—and reverend Rabbi Milton Steinberg, Olov Hashalom, could have given his satisfied approval.

It is clearly apparent that there exists among us a dormant depth of good wll and right feeling of respect and consideration for each other, that is essential for the spiritual growth of our Congregational Family. I am personally grateful to you—and I feel that those present carried away a beautiful memory that should bear seeds of good thoughts and good actions. A very large Mitzvah, indeed.

We were so fortunate to have Rabbi Kogen conduct the Seder. It was a great sacrifice for him to leave his wife, little ones, and relatives. We owe Mrs. Kogen our gratitude. Rabbi Kogen's scholarly erudition is worn modestly.—his demeanor, that of a man of peace. I know that you have found it a joy to work with him. Our appreciation has steadily grown of his intellectual attainments and noble character.

Our own Cantor Friedman has, in the past, in spite of temporary physical difficulty, carried on with persistent courage. He always lends dignity and spiritual devotion to his able renditions of our traditional, liturgical music. His commendable cooperation has made him part of our Synagogue Family.

May the inspiration of the Seder ceremonies carry over its peaceful unity and good will among the congregants, henceforth. And, may you, our beloved Hazzan, reap as you have sown.

With deep affection.

BELLE GREEN

Parents Association News

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

The Parents Association wll hold its annual meeting Wednesday, May 22 at 8:30 P.M. in the Lemberg Auditorium. At that time, officers will be elected for the coming year.

The Executive Board has unanimously approved the following slate of officers presented by the Nominating Committee under the chairmanship of Mrs. Harry Zucker and Mrs. Nelson Ruttenberg, co-chairman:

President—Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer
Chairman of Executve Board — Mrs. Sam Deutsch
Vice-President—Mrs. A. Stangel
Vice-President—Mrs. Leon Klein
Vice-President—Mrs. Michael Stowe
Treasurer—Mrs. Albert Siegel
Recording Secretary—Mrs. Franklin Bergmann
Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. Charles Weisberg
Honorary President—Mrs. Herman Helpern
Honorary Vice-Pres.—Mrs. Harry Zucker
Honorary Vice-Pres.—Mrs. Nelson Ruttenberg

Following the business meeting, an entertaining program will be presented.

Louis M. Cohen Honored At UJA Division Dinner

Louis M. Cohen, a member of the Park Avenue Synagogue for many years, will be one of three outstanding leaders in the Men's and Boy's Shirt Group to be honored at a testimonial dinner May 1 at the Sheraton-Astor Hotel for the benefit of the United Jewish Appeal for Greater New York.

Over three hundred industry leaders are expected to be present at this function and this division of the UJA anticipates even greater results in the current 1957 campaign than ever before.

Our congratulations to another member of the Park Avenue Synagogue who has been honored for his activity in the raising of funds for our needy brethren in Israel.

Men's Club Election and Dinner Meeting, May 21

By HARVEY GLASSER

Dr. Sigmund Siegel has been nominated as Men's Club President for 1957-58. The nominating committee, under the chairmanship of Theodore Meistrich, has submitted the following slate of officers for the Men's Club to be elected at the annual meeting:

Officers

President.....Dr. Sigmund Siegel
First Vice President.....Harry Dubin
Second Vice President ..... Nelson Ruttenberg
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Corresponding Secretary ..... Harvey Glasser
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Directors For Three Years

Monroe Heyward Lawrence A. Meyers
James Liebman Archie Thurman

Director For Two Years

Dr. Harry Neivert

Directors For One Year

Charles Bennet Chester Glaser

The election will take place at the Men's Club's Annual Dinner which is to be held on Tuesday, May 21, in the Lemberg Auditorium. A sumptious dinner is being planned. The cost to members will be $5.00, which includes everything. Details will be in the mail shortly.

Sally Victor Receives Yeshiva Award

Mrs. Sally Victor, member of the Park Avenue Synagogue and serving on its Committee on Arts and Decorations, last month received an award from the Albert Einstein College of Medicine along with other leading women. The award was made through the Women's Division of the Yeshiva University for Mrs. Victor's achievements in the field of fashion.

Other women similarly honored were Pearl S. Buck, Mrs. Ogden Mills Reed, Susan Strassberg and Mrs. Ira Haupt.

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PARK AVENUE SYNAGOGUE RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

WHY SHOULD MY CHILD GO TO RELIGIOUS SCHOOL?

By attending a modern Jewish school, together with others of his own age, your child will gain a rich and joyful experience as a Jew. He will learn the great heritage of our people . . . the traditions and culture of Jews through the ages . . . the Jewish ethics and ideals which have contributed to the development of the American democratic spirit. He will grow up with a deep love and understanding of the privilege of being Jewish. Your child will find identification with you, your family, the synagogue, the Jewish community in the United States and with the Jewish people throughout the world.

Religious School Registration in May

The Jewish Education Committee has designated the month of May as REGISTRATION MONTH. During the month, Religious schools in the Metropolitan area will register all new children who will be coming to the school in September, 1957.

The Park Avenue Synagogue Religious School educational program provides for:

PRIMARY DEPARTMENT for children from the ages of 6 through 9. The school, which meets on Sunday morning, aims to familiarize the child with Judaism: its history and its cultural expressions. It develops within him a sense of loyalty and pride in Judaism.

HEBREW DEPARTMENT for children from the ages of 9 through 15. The school, which meets on two afternoons and on Saturday mornings, aims to prepare the child for an active and constructive participation in Jewish life. Instruction in Hebrew, Bible, history, customs and ceremonies and religious worship in the Junior Congregation develop in the child an understanding of the religious concepts, the ethical values and the ritual forms of Judaism.

BAR MITZVAH and BAS MITZVAH for the boys and girls at the age of 13. In accordance with the recommendations of the United Synagogue Commission on Education, a minimum of three years instruction in the Hebrew Department is required for Bar Mitzvah and Bas Mtzvah in the Park Avenue Synagogue.

CONFIRMATION for the boys and girls who meet the educational requirements for Bar Mitzvah and Bas Mitzvah and continue their education for one year in a special Confirmation Class.

The Religious School office will be open every afternoon after 3:00 P.M. for the REGISTRATION OF NEW STUDENTS. Parents are urged to begin the Jewish education of their children on the Primary School level so that the child may benefit from a full and rich, religious experience.

Religious School News

By MARTIN LEICHTLING

The Confirmation and Graduating Class of the Religious School has been studying all year under the guidance of their teacher, Mr. Alex Kaplan, and now look forward to their culminating ceremony which will take place on the first day of Shavuoth, June 5.

The following students will have fulfilled the requirements for Confirmation this year: Inez Fields, Leslie Granowitz, Linda Grauer, Jay Greenfield, Michael Heyman, Babette Hoexter, Charles Kaiser and Martha Stein.

The High School Department of the Religious School will conclude, during the month of May, a successful year of study in the areas of Hebrew, Jewish History and Jewish thought. Dr. Aaron Giat conducted courses in Elementary, Intermediate and Advanced Hebrew and Mrs. George E. Zeitlin gave two courses: The Great Jewish Books—a study of Jewish thoughts and ideas and their influence in the development of civilization, and, Jewish History since the Second Commonwealth with emphasis on the history of the Jewish People within the framework of world history.

Students, who have completed courses in the High School Department, will receive Certificates of Achievement at the last session.

Students may register in the School Office for classes beginning September 1957. Registration for courses in this department is open to post-confirmands and to students who are now attending a secular high school. Prior attendance in the Hebrew Department is not a prerequisite for admission to the High School Department.

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Vicky Wimpfheimer Gives Tea

By MURIEL MORSE

All of the ladies in our Congregation who have not to date had an opportunity to hear the up-to-minute story of our fellow Jews abroad, will be invited to a Special Tea for UJA. Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer has graciously offered to arrange for this Tea at her home on Tuesday, May 7 at 1:30 P.M.

This will be an interesting and stimulating afternoon. So many women want to learn more of the details of just what happens to UJA dollars and how the desperate plight of the 1,000 Jews to be saved this year, can be accomplished.

If you want to call Vicky Wimpfheimer to tell her you plan to come, please phone AT 9-4743. She will also be delighted to give you any further information you may wish to have.

Arts and Decorations Committee Organized

The recently formed Committee on Arts and Decorations, comprised of Ethel Sivek, chairman, Rose Arkin, Lucille Lemberg, Sally Victor and Milton Selig have been meeting during the past several months.

This committee is now working on the following projects: decor of lobby of Milton Steinberg House; selection of chairs for the Lemberg Auditorium; memorial for Jacob Friedman, Jr.

We wish to acknowledge our gratitude to Mrs. Anna Edelman for her gift of three exquisite embroideries, designed and executed by her. These were hung by the Arts and Decorations Committee in the Sisterhood Lounge. Mrs. Sol Green donated several paintings to the Milton Steinberg House. We wish to express our thanks to her for her generous contribution. These pictures will be hung shortly throughout the building.

The purposes of this committee as outlined by the Board of Trustees are to recommend improvements and additions in the furnishings and decor of the Milton Steinberg House and the approval and disposition of art objects and gifts to the Synagogue. In addition, the floral decorations in the Synagogue for the Holidays during the year will be under their supervision.

Cantors Assembly to Hold Convention and Concert

The Cantors Assembly of America will celebrate its tenth anniversary this year at Grossinger's from Sunday, May 5 through Wednesday, May 8.

Three major addresses will highlight the convention. Dr. Abraham J. Heschel, Professor of Jewish Ethics and Mysticism at the Jewish Theological Seminary will talk on the "Meaning of Jewish Liturgy". Mr. Siegfried Landau will analyze three of the new Friday Evening Sabbath Services which were presented at the annual music festival of the Park Avenue Synagogue and which received their world premiere performance as part of our Religious Services. These include the composition of David Diamond in 1951, Frederick Jacobi in 1952 and Siegfried Landau in 1956. The third address will be by our own Hazzan David J. Putterman, Executive Vice-President and founder of the Cantor's Assembly whose subject will be "Retrospect and Prospect", a review of the first ten years of Cantoral and Synagogue music and its future program for the second decade.

The conference will conclude with a gala concert on Wednesday evening, May 8, at 8:30 P.M. at Town Hall in New York City.

This concert designated "Synagogue Music Through the Ages" will feature a program presented by Cantor soloists and the combined choral ensembles of Cantors from the Connecticut, Metropolitan and Philadelphia regions of the Cantors Assembly. It will also feature the choral ensemble of the students of the Cantors Institute of the Jewish Theological Seminary. Mr. Siegfried Landau will be the conductor at this concert.

All those who desire to celebrate this auspicious event and attend the convention should communicate with the Synagogue office or the Cantors Assembly at the United Synagogue of America, 3080 Broadway. Telephone RI 9-8000.

Condolences

Jack Maltz — recent death of his father Max Maltz

Barney Balaban — death of brother John B. Balaban

Mrs. Jeanette Block—death of husband Jesse Block

A THOUGHT FOR TODAY

Suggested by Mrs. Harry J. Sokolow
"A Congregation is strong only as long as its members are actively interested in it."

Tubie Resnik Honored At UJA Division Dinner

Tubie Resnik, a member of the Advisory Council of the Board of Trustees of the Park Avenue Synagogue and an active member of our Congregation, will be the guest of honor at the annual dinner of the Wine and Spirits Division of the UJA to be held June 13 at the Plaza Hotel.

This honor, which has come to Mr. Resnik, is in recognition of his long and devoted service in the United Jewish Appeal campaign in the Wine and Spirits Division.

We are happy to join in extending our congratulations to one of our colleagues.

Congratulations

Albert J. Dobrin — upon his marriage to Edith Goodman

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Klein — birth of grandson James Felix Klein

Mr. and Mrs. Abraham M. Weinberg — birth of granddaughter, Beth Ann, and to their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Weinberg

Mrs. Lillian Duke—birth of grandson, Matthew Howard Dickstein

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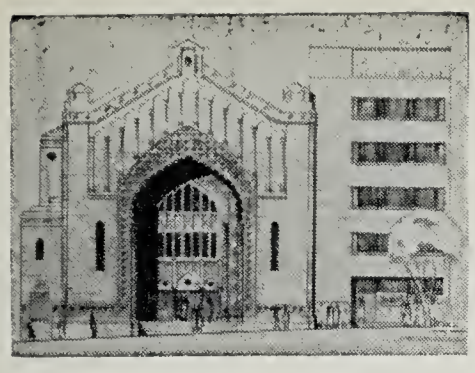

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Thirteenth Annual Service of New Liturgical Music To Be Presented Friday Evening, May 24, at 8:30 P. M.

The thirteenth annual Liturgical Service of new Liturgical Music by contemporary composers will be presented at the Park Avenue Synagogue regular Friday Evening Service, May 24, at 8:30 P.M.

These annual services have become a part of the tradition of Park Avenue Synagogue and are recognized as a major musical event in the field of Liturgical Music. Inaugurated in 1943 by our own Hazzan David J. Putterman, these programs have been emulated by many Synagogues throughout the Country in their effort to contribute to the development of new Liturgical Music. These programs are dedicated to the enhancement of Jewish worship and to the wider utilization of the resources of Jewish Music. They also serve as a source of encouragement to those who give of their lives and genius to its enrichment.

Each year Hazzan Putterman, founder of the Cantors Assembly of America and its executive vice-president, as well as Director of the Department of Music of the United Synagogue of America, has invited some of the world's most distinguished composers to participate in this creation of new musical settings for the Sabbath Evening Service. Many of these original compositions have already been accepted as part of the regular musical liturgy of the Synagogue.

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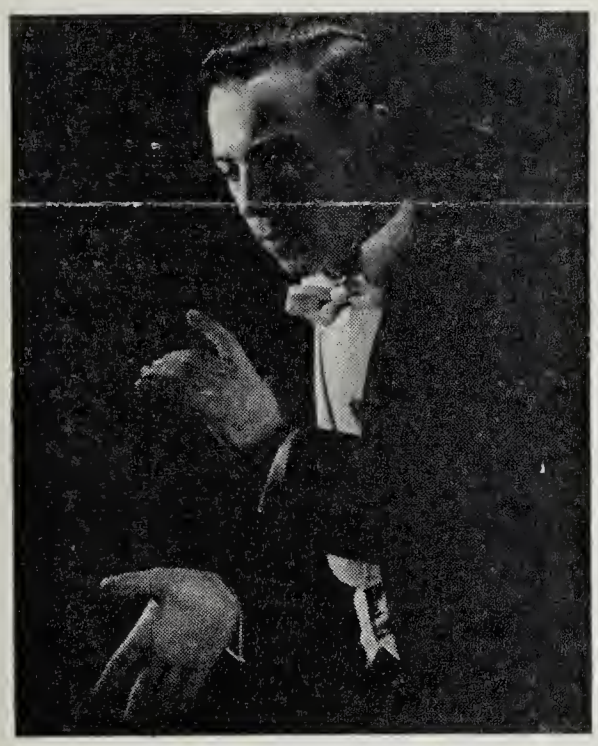
Conductor



CHARLES SCHIFF

Composer

HERMAN BERLINSKI

Composer

LAURENCE ROSENTHAL

Composer

HUGO WEISGAL

Rabbi Jack J. Cohen, Guest Speaker Friday Evening, May 17

Rabbi Jack J. Cohen, Rabbi of the Society for the Advancement of Judaism, will be our guest speaker at the Friday evening Service May 17 at 8:30 P.M. He has chosen the topic "What Is a God Idea?"

Educated at Brooklyn College, where he received his B.A. degree, Rabbi Cohen was ordained at the Jewish Theological Seminary and awarded the degree of Master of Hebrew Literature. He also studied at the Hebrew University in 1947-1948, and is a candidate for his Ph.D. at Teachers College, Columbia University.

Rabbi Cohen has contributed articles to many publications including The Reconstructionist, Conservative Judaism, Jewish Education, The Synagogue School and B'Terem (an Israeli publication). Together with Rebecca Imber, he was the co-author of "The Creative Audience", and he has recently com-

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Israel Independence Day

Just as the 4th of July, 1776, is a sacred day in the history of our beloved United States, so too, the 5th of Iyar 5708, occupies a similar position in the State of Israel.

Monday, the 6th of May, 1957, was the ninth anniversary of the establishment of the State of Israel. Proclaimed by the Jews of Eretz Yisrael, they set up their provisional government amid a turbulence and strife that required dedicated devotion, courage and loyalty to survive against the attacks of those who sought to destroy them.

Now on their ninth anniversary, we join in wishing this citadel of democracy God's blessings for life and peace.

Schedule of Religious Services

Friday Evening, May 17 . . . . . 8:30 P.M.
Rabbi Jack J. Cohen, Guest speaker
will discuss "What is a God Idea?"
Rabbi Seymour Siegel, Visiting Rabbi

Saturday Morning, May 18 . . . . . 9:30 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Richard J. Fieber
son of Dr. & Mrs. Mack Fieber
Rabbi Seymour Siegel will preach on
"Which Way?"

Friday Evening, May 24 . . . . . 8:30 P.M.
Thirteenth Annual Liturgical Service
Composers: Herman Berlinski, Laurence Rosenthal, Hugo Weisgal
Conductor: Charles Schiff
Rabbi Morris N. Kertzer, Visiting Rabbi

Saturday Morning, May 25 . . . . . 9:30 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Mark Alan Siegel
son of Dr. & Mrs. Sigmund A. Siegel
Rabbi Morris N. Kertzer will preach on
"A Lesson For Liberty"

Friday Evening, May 31 . . . . . 6:00 P.M.
Saturday Morning, June 1 . . . . . 9:30 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Daniel Ritey
son of Dr. and Mrs. Hector Ritey
Rabbi Morris N. Kertzer will preach on
"Cementing Brotherhood"

UJA To Honor Dr. Seymour Wimpfheimer

Dr. Seymour Wimpfheimer, vice-chairman of our Board of Trustees, will be the guest of honor at the annual United Jewish Appeal dinner of the Park Avenue Synagogue Committee.

The dinner will be held on Tuesday evening, June 11, in the Lemberg Auditorium and will be under the chairmanship of Dr. Paul Riebenfeld.

Further details of this function will appear in the next issue of the Bulletin, but many members of our congregation will want to reserve this date to pay honor to one of our distinguished members, whose interest in Jewish affairs and the State of Israel goes back many years.

The date—Tuesday evening, June 11: the place—the Lemberg Auditorium.

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United Synagogue Youth Dance Festival

By HY SANKEL

On Sunday, May 19 at Forest Hills Jewish Center, eight members from our teen-age youth groups will represent our Synagogue at the 2nd annual U.S.Y. Israel Dance Festival. The name of this festival is "Rikude HaArrtz" dance, representing return of the Jews to the soil in Israel.

The group which consists of Elli Frischling, Ricki Feibish, Joan Rubinstein, Jackie Klein, Peter Lichtenfeld, Lou Levin, Nat Neustein and Helen Manheim, will dance, "Lech Lamidbar" symbolizing the conquering of the desert, and Ki Tinam (a dance of love.)

The Rikudia (dance festival) will be held in conjunction with the regional United Synagogue Youth convention.

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Gay Sisterhood Luncheon Planned Tuesday, May 21

By MURIEL MORSE

All of Sisterhood's members look forward each year to our lovely Spring Luncheon Meeting. This year it will be festive and gay and give all the members an opportunity to visit with each other, relax together and generally have a good time.

The slate of officers for the coming year and the members of the Executive Board will be presented by the Nominating Committee for the approval of the membership.

Cantor Putterman has accepted an invitation to be one of our honored guests and plans to sing a few songs for us. This will be a pleasure and a delight for all of us.

Mr. Jacob Klein, our beloved Synagogue President, will install our new officers and this, he will do in his inimitable style which we all appreciate.

This meeting is traditionally in the form of a Birthday Party, and will be held on Tuesday, May 21; so be sure and come, ladies, and help us celebrate one big Happy Birthday!

Thirteenth Annual Liturgical Service

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This year, the Park Avenue Synagogue is proud to present the World Premier performance from manuscript of compositions from three eminent composers: Herman Berlinski, Laurence Rosenthal and Hugo Weisgal.

Herman Berlinski, born in Leipzig, Germany, received his musical education at the State-Conservatory, Leipzig, and the Ecole Normale DeMusique, Paris. He was the first person to receive the degree of "Master of Sacred Music" from the Seminary College of Jewish Music of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America. Mr. Berlinski has composed many Jewish liturgical works both vocal and instrumental. His "Symphonic Visions" for orchestra was recently performed and recorded in Tokyo, Japan by the ASSAI Broadcasting Orchestra. Last February at the opening of the American Music Festival, his composition "Music for the Peace of Mind" received its premier performance. Another of his works, "And Behold the Bush Burneth", will be played at the International Organists Conference in London by the eminent organist Dr. Robert Baker. Currently, Mr. Berlinski is the assistant organist at Temple Emanuel, New York City, and also instructor in music at the Cantors Institute of the Seminary.

Laurence Rosenthal, born in Detroit, Michigan in 1926, is now living in New York City. He received his musical training at the Eastman School of Music with Bernard Rogers and Howard Hanson; at Mozarteum, Salzburg, Austria with Sandor Vas; and with Nadia Boulanger in Paris. He served with the U. S. Air Force composing the music for the Air Force Documentary Film Unit. Mr. Rosenthal composed the incidental and ballet music and songs for Moliere's "Tea Doctor in Spite of Himself" and wrote scores for the motion pictures "Yellowneck" and "Osceola". Recently his symphonic "Ode" was performed by the New York Philharmonic under the baton of Leonard Bernstein. He has also composed dramatic scores for C.B.S. radio workshop and incidental music for Arthur Laurents' play "A Cleaning in the Woods". Ma Tovu and Yigdal are his first musical works for the Synagogue.

Hugo Weisgal graduated from John Hopkins University with a Ph.D. in German literature. He studied at the Peabody Institute in Baltimore, Maryland, and graduated the Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia, majoring in composition and conducting. He has been guest conductor of the London Symphony Orchestra, London Philharmonic Orchestra, BBB Symphony Orchestra, Baltimore String Symphony and others. He composed the one-act opera "The Tenor", and his opera "The Stranger" has just been released by Columbia Records. Mr. Weisgal was awarded the Ditson Commission by Columbia University to compose an American opera, and a citation for composition by the American Academy of Arts and Letters. He has also received a grant from the Guggenheimer Foundation to compose an opera. Currently he is chairman of the Faculty of the Cantors Institute-College of Music of the Jewish Theological Seminary; director of the Hilltop Musical Company, choral director of Chizuk Amuno Congregation in Baltimore, and a lecturer at Johns Hopkins University.

As part of the program, there will also be presented, the highlights from previous music festivals performed at the Park Avenue Synagogue from the compositions of Ernest Bloch, David Diamond, Isadore Freed, Frederick Jacobi, Darius Milhaud, Mario Castelnuovo-Tedesco, Kurt Weill and several others.

The program will be presented by Hazzan Putterman and the synagogue choir augmented, with George Crook at the organ. The conductor will be Charles Schiff.

Mr. Schiff was born in 1926 and graduated from the Juilliard School of Music in 1948, majoring in clarinet and conducting. He studied conducting under Serge Koussevitsky at the Berkshire Music Center, as a scholarship pupil and shared the podium with Dr. Koussevitsky and Leonard Bernstein on several occasions. He also studied conducting in the class of Pierre Monteux and was a student of Vittorio Giannini in composition. From 1948 to 1952, Mr. Schiff was musical director at the Manhattan Chamber Orchestra, and from 1954 to 1956, he served as musical director of the Temple Symphony Orchestra of Rodeph Sholom. He has appeared as guest conductor with the New York Philharmonic Symphony Orchestra and with the Broadcasting Orchestra of "Kol Yisrael" in Israel. At present, he is the musical director of Lado Orchestra, a faculty member of Yeshiva University and of the YM & YWKA music school of New York City.

Due to the unusually large attendance at these services, reservation cards have been sent to all the members and should be returned to the synagogue office indicating the number of tickets desired.

Following the service, a reception will be held in the Lemberg Auditorium in honor of the composers and the participating artists.

Religious School News

By MARTIN LEICHTLING

Registration

The School office is now open for the registration of *new* students in the Religious School. We are accepting students for both the Primary and Hebrew Departments of the school.

Members of the congregation are urged to advise their friends and relatives in the community that children of non-members may be enrolled in the school.

Registration may be made over the phone (EN 9-2600) or in person in the School office between 3:00 and 6:30 P.M. every afternoon.

Hebrew Six Added

The Religious School will add a sixth year of instruction in the Hebrew Department beginning September 1957. The class will continue its study of Hebrew, as a living language, and will also study the basic concepts of Judaism.

The following students will be members of the new Class 5 SP 6: Tonie Deutsch, Joel Grantz, Inez Fields, Charles Kaiser, Jeffrey Mehlman, Daniel Ritey, Renee Stern.

Closing Exercises

The Primary Department will hold its closing session on Sunday, May 26, 1957.

A culminating program, including an assembly, a movie and a presentation of the songs of the year, has been planned for this last session.

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Parents Association Open Meeting, May 22

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

On Wednesday evening, May 22, at 8:30 P.M., the Parents Association of the Park Avenue Synagogue will hold its final meeting of the current season in the Lemberg Auditorium. After a short business meeting which will include the election of officers for the coming year, a new play by Nora Stirling will be presented by professional actors of the American Theatre Wing Community Players.

The play, "What Did I Do?" illustrates very clearly the point that many parents have been blamed disproportionately for the misbehavior of their children. Today, because of constant emphasis on parental responsibility, parents often feel an undue sense of guilt when something goes wrong. Consequently, when confronted with upsetting misbehavior on the part of their children, thoughtful parents are likely to ask themselves, "What Did I Do?" The play points out that, in a home filled with affection and warmth, no sense of failure on the part of the parents is justified if a child happens to slip temporarily from the straight and narrow path.

Dr. Milton Saperstein will act as moderator for the discussion which will follow the performance. "What Did I Do?" should provide provocative material to aid parents in achieving a healthy balance in assuming enough but not unwarranted reesponsibility for shaping their children's personalities.

A social hour and refreshments will conclude the evening. All are invited.

Youth Study Group Completes Year's Study

By JUDY SCHWARTZ

The Park Avenue Synagogue Youth Group held an experiment this past year. An early study group was set up under the jurisdiction of the United Synagogue Youth with which the Park Avenue Synagogue is affiliated.

Some of the discussion included a study of the Bible and Jewish life; Israeli dancing and singing; and a deeper understanding of the Jewish holidays. We participated in the Annual Third Youth Seder and other programs throughout the year.

Our study group is completing a fairly successful year with a theater party and a supper dance on May 18.

I think that we have learned much from this year's program. We feel confident that next year will be a better one, because of our past experience.

Rabbi Cohen, Speaker

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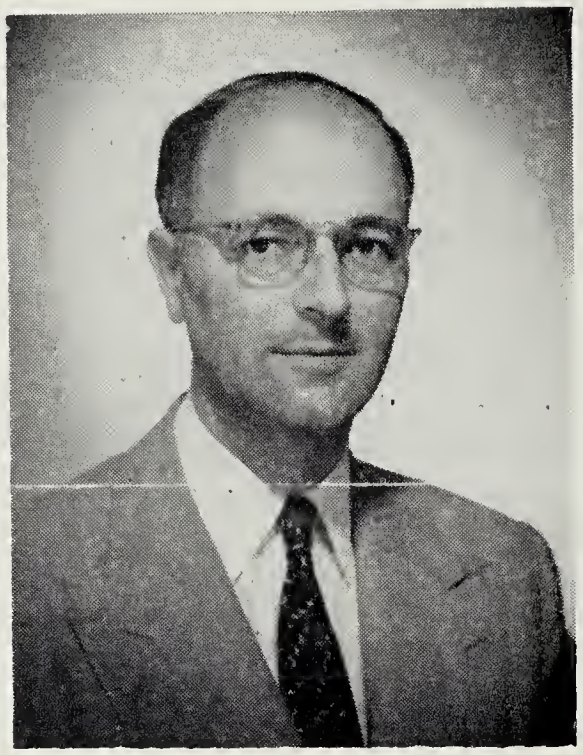
pleted his latest work, an essay on Judaism and Naturalism, which will soon be published.



RABBI JACK J. COHEN

A leader in the field of Jewish education, Rabbi Cohen serves as a member of the Executive Council of the National Council for Jewish Education, the United Synagogue Commission on Jewish Education, the Editorial Boards of The Reconstructionist and the S.A.J. Religious School.

He is currently teaching a course on medieval Jewish philosophy in the Rabbinical School of the Jewish Theological Seminary. He also serves as Vice-Chairman of the Placement Commission of the Rabbinical Assembly and is a Research Fellow in Philosophies of Religion.

An Oneg Shabbat and discussion period will follow in the Lemberg Auditorium after the Service.

Condolences

Samuel Lerer — death of mother Laura Lerer

Clara Schlinger—death of brother-in-law Mr. English

Kaplan Named Principal In Queens School

Alex Kaplan, a member of the Park Avenue Synagogue Religious School faculty since 1952, has accepted the appointment as principal of the Solomon Schecter School of Queens. The school, sponsored by the Conservative congregations in the area, is an all-day school providing for Jewish Studies and General Studies on the first three grades of the elementary level.

Mr. Kaplan has been a regularly appointed teacher in the public school system of New York City, but will resign to assume his new post. He will, however, continue his association with the Park Avenue Synagogue Religious School as the instructor of Hebrew Class 5-6 and of the Confirmation Class of 1958.

The good wishes of the faculty, the student body and the members of the Park Avenue Synagogue are extended to Mr. Kaplan as he embarks upon his new career.

Memorial Services (Yizkor) will be held on the second day of Shavuoth, Thursday morning, June 6. If you wish to have any member of your family memorialized, please return the enclosed card to the Synagogue office not later than Tuesday, June 4.

SHAVUOTH HOLIDAYS
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May 26 — Dr. and Mrs. William Karmiol — 30th Wedding Anniversary

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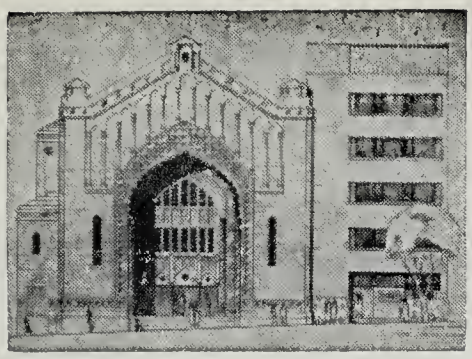

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UJA To Honor Dr. Seymour Wimpfheimer

Dr. Seymour Wimpfheimer, vice-chairman of the Board of Trustees of Park Avenue Synagogue. will be the guest of honor at the annual dinner of the UJA Park Avenue Synagogue Committee to be held Tuesday evening. June 11. at 6:00 P. M. in the Lemberg Auditorium.

An active leader in the Synagogue affairs for many years, Dr. Wimpfheimer was unanimously selected as the guest of honor because of his long and devoted service to the Synagogue and to the State of Israel.

Guest of Honor

DR. SEYMOUR WIMPFHEIMER

Mr. Monroe Goldwater, a brilliant speaker, and president of the United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York, will be the guest speaker.

Dr. Paul Riebenfeld, chairman of the Synagogue's UJA campaign committee this year, said that "plans for the dinner are progressing well and indications are that this year's affair will be one of the most successful the Park Avenue Synagogue has ever held."

Working together with Dr. Riebenfeld will be Dr. Herman Helpern, Dr. Harold A. Osserman and Nathan B. Kogan and Jacob Starr as co-chairmen, with Joseph Howard Katz, chairman of the Board of Trustees and Jacob Klein, President of the Synagogue acting as honorary chairmen.

This year the UJA of greater New York is conducting a dual campaign. It aims. first. to raise the New York area's proportion of the funds needed in 1957 by seven major humanitarian agencies whose world-wide activities sustain life, hope and livelihood for 600,000 needy and imperilled Jews and affect the lives of hundreds of thousands more. The drive also seeks to raise the local share of a nationwide $100.000,000 Emergency Rescue Fund set up to care for and resettle, in Israel, the United States and other free lands, more than 100,000 Jewish refugees expected to be in flight during 1957 from tyranny and terror in Hungary, Egypt and elsewhere in Europe and North Africa.

The urgency of the present appeal cannot be stressed too strongly because Israel is facing one of the most acute refugee crisis in its short history. As Mr. Ben Gurion warns "these are times of deep anxiety and great hopes."

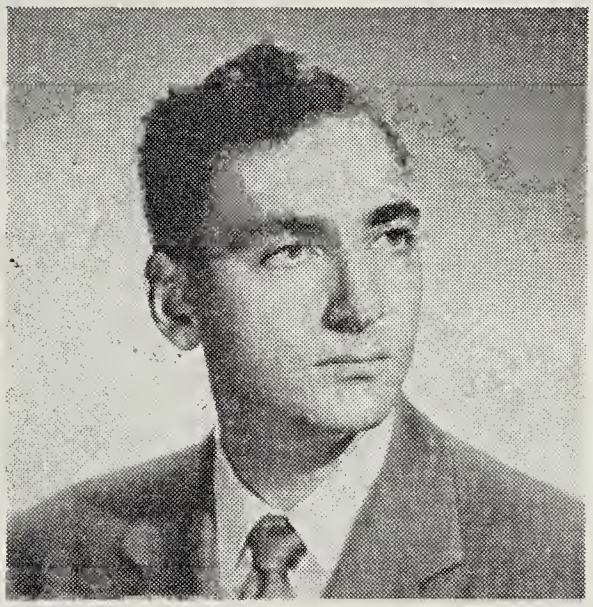
Invitations to the dinner have been sent to the members of the Synagogue and all are urged to join in paying tribute to Dr. Seymour Wimpfheimer, one of the leaders of our Synagogue, and at the same time participate in this event for the benefit of the United Jewish Appeal's campaign this year.

Rabbi Allan Blaine To Preach At Shavuoth Services, June 5 and 6

At the Shavuoth Service on Wednesday morning. June 5. the Religious School will hold its Confirmation and Graduation Exercises.

Yiskor (Memorial) services will be held on the second day of Shavuoth. Thursday morning. June 6.

At both services Rabbi Allan Blaine will occupy our pulpit as the visiting Rabbi.



RABBI ALLAN BLAINE

Rabbi Blaine. a member of the faculty of our Religious School since 1954 received his degree as Rabbi and Teacher at the Jewish Theological Seminary on Sunday. June 2. 1957 and it is most fitting that his first Pulpit assignment. so soon after his ordination. has brought him to the Park Avenue Synagogue.

A graduate from University College, New York University and from the Herzliah Hebrew Teachers' Institute where he graduated with honors and also served as President of the Student Organization. Rabbi Blaine attended the Seminary College of Jewish Studies and was awarded the Israel Student Fellowship for a six months study in Israel.

He has been associated with Religious Schools of the East Midwood Jewish Center as well as that of the Park Avenue Synagogue where he has been an inspiring and devoted teacher. His enthusiasm and interest in Jewish affairs has won him a place of esteem and affection in the hearts of our students. As he begins his new career first as Chaplain in the Armed Forces and then as Rabbi. he goes forth with the good wishes of his colleagues on the faculty and the gratitude and appreciation of the sudent body. the parents and the officers and members of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

The following students, who have completed the requirements for confirmation. will be awarded certificates: Inez Fields, Leslie S. Granowitz, Linda B. Grauer, Jay R. Greenfield. Michael L.

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Rabbi and Mrs. Nadich On Receiving Line

Leading left to right. Mrs. Benjamin Sack. Mr. Benjamin Sack. former Chairman of the Board of Trustees and chairman of the Pulpit Committee. Mrs. Joseph Howard Katz. Rabbi and Mrs. Judah Nadich. Joseph Howard Katz. Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Mrs. Jacob Klein. Jacob Klein. President of the Synagogue, and Hazzan David J. Putterman.

Baruch Haba

"Blessed is he who comes." This was the silent greeting that welcomed Rabbi Judah Nadich as he entered the Lemberg Auditorium. Sunday evening. May 12. at the reception to him and his charming wife.

Before one of the largest audiences that ever filled the Lemberg Auditorium. Joseph Howard Katz. chairman of our Board of Trustees. presented Rabbi Nadich to the members of the congregation who had assembled to welcome him to the Park Avenue Synagogue.

Rabbi Nadich and his wife graciously greeted each member personally, often recognizing an old acquaintance. often stopping long enough to speak of a mutual friend mentioned by some of those who passed along the reception line, but always evincing a sincere desire to know all those who were presented, despite the brief greeting.

The warmth, the cordiality and the friendship that was evident to all, clearly indicated that Rabbi Nadich in the short span of but a few hours had endeared himself to all those present.

In presenting him to the members of the congregation, Mr. Joseph Howard Katz. said:

"Friends, during January of this year, here in this auditorium at the Annual Congregational dinner, I had the privilege of appearing before this very microphone, and I pledged to you then that the first, the foremost, and the most important item on the agenda of our new administration would be an all out effort on the part of our pulpit committee to bring to this great institution, a Rabbi who possesses the leadership, the spirituality, and the distinction that this pulpit deserves. I am very happy and very proud tonight that I am here to redeem that pledge.

"Now I believe that this is as good an opportunity as I will ever have to publicly thank and pay tribute to the members of that pulpit committee, who because of their perseverance made this a reality. and I refer of course, to the chairman of that committee, one of the stalwarts of this congregation, Mr. Benjamin Sack, to Judge Bernard Botein. Milton Weill, Samuel Lemberg, General Melvin Krulewitch, Harold H. Levin, Ben Gross, Ezra Cohen, who was the ex-officio member of that committee, and who was my predecessor as chairman of the Board and Judge Sanford H. Cohen, who served for a short time. To all of them our thanks for a job well done.

"Now I know that you did not come here to listen to speeches tonight. We are gathered to welcome Rabbi Nadich and his very charming wife. Incidentally. this informal party is not a substitute for an induction ceremony, which will take place later this fall. So many of you asked us to have an opportunity to meet the Rabbi before the summer months set in, and this being the only available night even though it competed with Mother's Day, we decided upon this informal gathering here.

"Now Rabbi and Mrs. Nadich from all of us from the bottom of our hearts we say to you *Baruch Haba.* We extend to you our warmest and sincerest welcome. We pray that you will be with us for many, many years, and that you and the congregation will continue to go from strength to strength. We wish you, both of you, and your dear little three girls good health and happiness always, and we know that within a short time you will be integrated within the family of Park Avenue Synagogue.

"And now having officially welcomed you, may I formally on this informal occasion introduce you to your new congregation."

A tumultous applause from the more than 500 members greeted Rabbi Nadich, who expressed his appreciation for the warm and friendly reception accorded to him and his wife. In his informal remarks, Rabbi Nadich said:

"I must say that my wife and I are overwhelmed by your kindness and by this magnificent display of your friendship. We are very grateful to Mr. Katz, to Mr. Klein, to Mr. Sack and indeed to all of the leaders of the congregation who during these past several weeks have shown such warmth of friendship, and to the many among you who have been gracious enough to write me such warm and cordial letters of welcome. And all of you who have come tonight, by your presence you are already showing to my wife and myself that we are coming to good, dear and warm friends.

"I am not unmindful of the fact that it is a great privilege that you have bestowed upon me to extend a call to occupy the pulpit of the Park Avenue Synagogue. This congregation is known throughout the length and breadth of

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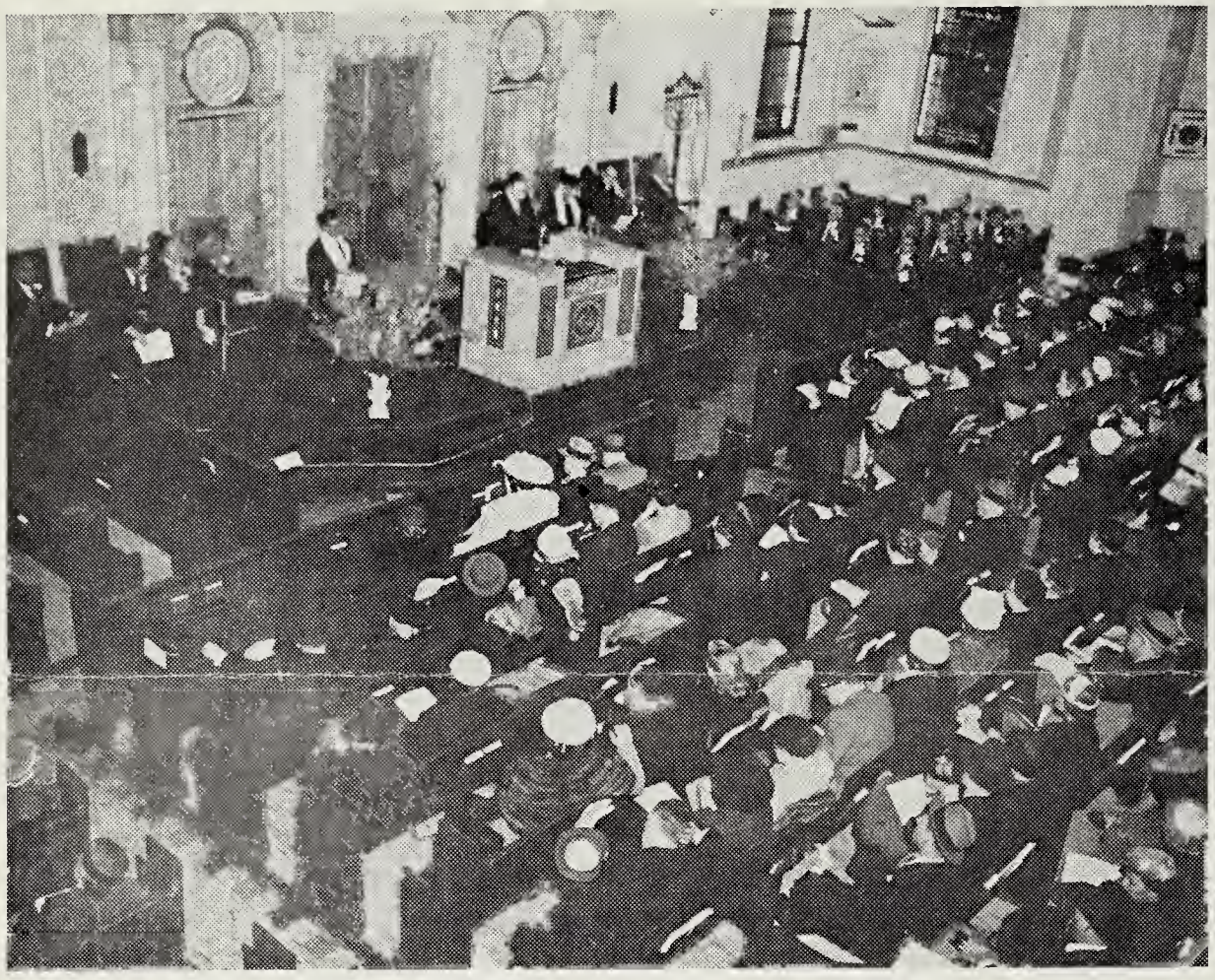
Impressive Reception Committee Welcomes Speakers at March 31 Jubilee

Reception Committee and speakers gathered in the Cohen Library of the Milton Steinberg House adjacent to the Synagogue a few minutes before the opening of the Diamond Jubilee Celebration on Sunday afternoon, March 31. Seated left to right: Rev. Dr. Eugene Carson Blake, President, National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U.S.A., Hon. Albert Conway, Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals of the State of New York, Dr. Solomon Grayzel, Editor, Jewish Publication Society of America. Standing left to right: Joseph Howard Katz, Chairman, Board of Trustees, who opened the meeting, Milton Weill, who spoke and chaired the celebration, Hon. Samuel Gold, Hon. Irving Kaufman, Hon. Bernard Botein, Jacob Klein, President, Hon Sanford H. Cohen, Hon. Abraham N. Geller, Hon. Maxwell Shapiro, Dr. Seymour Wimpfheimer, Vice-Chairman, Board of Trustees.

Speakers Examine Golden Book of Park Avenue Synagogue

Dr. Louis Finkelstein, Chancellor of the Jewish Theological Seminary showing the Rev. Dr. Eugene Carson Blake, senter, and Judge Albert Conway, the Golden Book containing the list of many of the contributors to the Milton Steinberg House of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

Judge Albert Conway Addressing Congregation



A view of the Pulpit and part of the main section of the Synagogue as seen from the balcony. Over 650 persons attended the celebration.

Emanuel Rosenthal In A Familiar Pose

Synagogue Secretary, who for over 35 years has been greeting our Congregants and worshipers as they enter the Synagogue.

History of Congregation Reviewed by Milton Weill at 75th Anniversary

More than 650 persons, an unusually large assemblage, joined together on Sunday, March 31, to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the Park Avenue Synagogue. The featured speakers of the afternoon were Dr. Solomon Grayzel, Editor of the Jewish Publication Society, Honorable Albert Conway, Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals of the State of New York, Rev. Dr. Eugene Carson Blake, President of the National Council of the Churches of Christ and Dr. Louis Finkelstein, Chancellor of the Jewish Theological Seminary.

A special musical program was presented by Hazzan David J. Putterman, assisted by the choir and George Crook at the organ. Sanford H. Hahn, Rabbi of the Jewish Center of Mt. Kisco, New York, and a former graduate of the Park Avenue Synagogue Religious School delivered the opening prayer.

The ushering was in the charge of Dr. Sigmund Siegel, Chairman of the Ushering Committee, who was ably assisted by Harry Dubin, Emil Forster, Milton Heller, Julian Jacobs, Leon Klein, Theodore Meistrich, Dr. Harry Neivert, Dr. Samuel Stern together with Mortimer D. Millheiser, Synagogue Sexton and Emanual Rosenthal, Synagogue Secretary. Following the celebration, refreshments were served in the Lemberg Auditorium under the chairmanship of Mrs. Irwin Rome, assisted by her energetic committee consisting of Mrs. Solomon E. Green, Mrs. Milton Heller, Mrs. Herman Helpern, Mrs. Joseph Howard Katz, Mrs. Sidney R. Katz, Mrs. Theodore Meistrich, Mrs. Nelson Ruttenberg, Mrs. Sigmund Siegel and Mrs. Jacob Starr.

Milton Weill, chairman of the 75th anniversary committee, in opening the services, reviewed the historical progress of the Park Avenue Synagogue. In the course of his remarks, he said:

"The Park Avenue Synagogue, in celebrating its 75th Anniversary, is rather a unique organization. . . . We did not move from the West Side to the East Side. We did not move from downtown to uptown. We were born here, we developed here, we progressed here, and we shall, we hope, continue to progress in this very spot . . . This Congregation was born in the year 1882. Its early dates were filled with struggles; stores and rented halls were the Temple structures. The Congregants were a group of pious Hungarian and German Jews mostly store keepers and merchants in Yorkville, who combined their meager resources, and they were meager, to form and establish what was originally called Congregation Agudath Jeshorum. Eight years later in 1890, that is 67 years ago, the Congregation acquired a Temple building, a former Church, located at 115 East 86th Street. I think it is at that point that the memory of most of us begins to be associated with our Synagogue. The Church was remodeled, and the Congregation became known as the Gates of Hope Temple, or as it was popularly known to all in this area, the 86th Street Temple.

"Some 38 years ago, we find the next important date in the record of this Congregation. Temple Bikur Cholim, a Congregation which was some 25 years older than the 86th Street Temple, was merged with this Congregation. Cantor Baum was the Cantor at that time and became honorary Cantor of the combined Synagogue. . . ."

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"A Fond Adieu"

This will be the last issue of the BULLETIN for the current season. In taking leave of our readers for the summer, we want to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to our contributors, identified by their respective by-line credits, whose regular contributions to the columns of the BULLETIN have made the work of your editor somewhat easier.

May we remind you that the High Holidays occur rather late this year. Rosh Hashanna falls on Thursday and Friday, September 26 and 27, and Yom Kippur on Saturday, October 5. By that time, our new spiritual leader, Rabbi Judah Nadich will be occupying our pulpit and leading the Park Avenue Synagogue to greater glory.

So until we meet again, we bid you a fond adieu and a happy summer.

N.R.

Sisterhood Activities

By BELLE GREEN

Visit To Home for Aged Blind

Recently a delegation from Sisterhood made their annual visit to the Home for the Aged Blind in Yonkers. Mrs. Alfred Luebeck, chairman of the committee which arranged for the party, and the members of her committee brought with them an orchestra which played beautiful concert music and Jewish songs in which they all joined. Lovely personal gifts were distributed and refreshments were served. Greetings were extended by Mrs. Sol E. Green and also by Mrs. Emma Luebeck, who expressed the hope that they would all reach her own number of years. These visits are deeply appreciated by the guests at the Home, whose immaculate appearance, pleasant demeanor and warmth of their reception should inspire a greater attendance and participation by our group next year.

Hostess to Metropolitan Group

On May 1, Sisterhood acted as hostess to several hundred women from the Conservative Synagogues in this Metropolitan area. Mrs. Harry Nievert, chairman of Torah Fund, was in charge of the arrangements. Rabbi Harry Halpern was the principal speaker. Mrs. Sol E. Green extended greetings from Sisterhood and personally made the souveniers and place cards.

UJA Tribute to Mrs. Sack

Mrs. Benjamin Sack was the guest of honor at a recent tea held for the benefit of UJA at the home of Mrs. Tubie Resnick, at which a considerable sum of money was raised for UJA.

Rabbi Blaine to Preach

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Heyman, Babette J. Hoexter, Charles F. Kaiser and Martha Stein.

Two of the confirmands, Inez Fields and Charles F. Keiser, have been elected to membership in the Keter Torah, an all-city honor society. This organization, sponsored by the Board of Education of the Metropolitan Council of the United Synagogue, consists of honor graduates from the New York City Religious Schools who have received three annual scholarship awards prior to graduation.

Each of the confirmands will, also, receive certificates, diplomas, bibles—a gift from Sisterhood—and a cash award for the purchase of Jewish books. The award for books is an annual gift awarded anonymously by a member of the Congregation. All prizes will be presented by Mrs. Sigmund Siegel, chairman of the School Board. The Men's Club will present a Youth Leadership Award to a member of the class for outstanding scholarship, character, service and leadership.

The members of the Confirmation Class will actively participate in the Shavuoth Services. They will read from the Scriptures, present an explanation of their readings and deliver a series of papers on "Man and His World."

A reception in honor of the confirmands will be held in the Lemberg Auditorium immediately after the service. The reception, which is tendered by the Park Avenue Synagogue in honor of its confirmands, will be in charge of the Class Mothers of the Parents Association.

Sisterhood Honors Mrs. William Karmiol

By BELLE GREEN

Mrs. William Karmiol, president of Sisterhood of the Park Avenue Synagogue, who recently returned from a world tour, was honored at a luncheon given by the members of the Executive Board of Sisterhood.

In her own inimitable style, Mrs. Harry J. Sokolow once again displayed her talents as a lyricist. The jingles she composed were distributed to the guests and sung to the merriment of all those gathered to honor Mrs. Karmiol. After serving as president of Sisterhood for three consecutive years, Gertrude will retire from that post at the end of her

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Religious School News

By MARTIN LEICHTLING

Jewish Museum

The Jewish Museum is marking its tenth anniversary at Ninety Second Street and Fifth Avenue wih two unusual exhibitions of great interest to both the parents and the children in our congregation.

The Strauss-Rothschild collection of over 100 ceremonial objects, representing several centuries of ritual art, has been borrowed from the Cluny Museum in Paris. These precious objects—manuscripts, spice boxes, wedding rings, candelabra and textile—have not been publically exhibited since the beginning of World War II.

The Museum is also showing a collection of paintings, ranging from the fifteenth century to the present, lent by friends of the museum. Among the many fine works of art being exhibited is a Rembrandt self-portrait in which he paints himself as a Biblical high priest, with headdress and breastplate.

A visit to the museum by the entire family—parents and children—will be a most rewarding experience and will offer another opportunity to widen our experiences with our Jewish cultural heritage.

Registration

The School Office will be open during the month of June for registration of *new* students in the Religious School. We are accepting students for both the Primary and Hebrew Department of the school.

Members of the congregation are urged to advise their friends and relatives in the community that children of non-members may be enrolled in the school.

Registration may be made over the phone (EN 9-2600) or in person in the School Office between 3:00 and 6:30 P.M. every afternoon.

Dr. Osserman Honored

Dr. Harold A. Osserman, member of the Board of Trustees of the Park Avenue Synagogue, and former chairman of the UJA Park Avenue Synagogue Committee, was recently appointed Director of the Dental Clinic of Polyclinic Hospital.

We extend our congratulations and best wishes to our colleague upon this appointment.

New Officers Elected By Affiliated Organizations 1957 — 1958

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Mrs. Edward Slote
Mrs. Harry J. Sokolow
Mrs. Louis Stich
Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer

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Celebrates its 62nd Birthday

Annual Luncheon and Matinee

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DECEMBER 4, 1957

Men's Club Federation Elects Charles Bennet

At the recent convention of the National Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs, Charles Bennet, a member of the Park Avenue Synagogue and also a member of the Board of Directors of its Men's Club was elected a Director of the National Jewish Men's Club Federation. He was also re-elected to the post of vice-president of the Metropolitan Region of the Federation.

We join in extending our congratulations to one of our members for this well deserved honor.

Rabbi Nadich Reception

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this country as a pre-eminent congregation. I know that among you are men and women of culture and of learning, of intellect and of character, men and women who have made signal contributions not only to the Jewish life of this country but to America as a whole. To serve as your Rabbi is a great privilege that I cherish very dearly. At this moment I think also of the fact that the crowning glory of this congregation was that it was served by Rabbi Milton Steinberg for a number of decisive years. He left his impress upon American Jewry, as he left his impress upon this congregation. To be a successor of his is a privilege that I shall always clasp closely to my heart.

"This is not the time for any lengthy exposition of my views on Judaism or the function of the Rabbi, but let me share just this one thought with you. It has always been my conviction that the Rabbi performs his task best when he looks upon himself as a teacher. And he ought to be a teacher of that which presumably he knows best, namely, the Tradition. I hope that I shall be able to be that kind of a teacher to this congregation. The very fact that you and I are banded together in a congregation testifies to the fact that we believe that this tradition of ours, as it has been interpreted and re-interpreted is a viable tradition, that it has insights and wisdom which can prove beneficial for our own lives as individuals and for the life of our Jewish people.

"The word *haver* is used often in the Talmud as "an academic fellow", a person who is anxious to add to his knowledge. The root of the word has the meaning "to join". Those who are joined together in study are called in the Talmud, *haverim*. I would like to feel that you and I will have that kind of relationship, that we will be joined together as colleagues in study. But then the word, *haver*, has another meaning, as you well know, the meaning of joining together in friendship. I hope that you and I will be joined together in close and cordial and harmonious friendship. Working together in the kind of spirit that you have already shown my wife and myself this evening, with this warm friendship, I am certain that we shall be able to bring glory to this great congregation and perhaps a greater measure of personal happiness to all of us."

City College Alumni Honors Saul Horowitz

At the 105th Annual Meeting of the Alumni Association of City College of New York, Saul Horowitz, a member of our Board of Trustees, was signally honored as one of the outstanding alumni of his alma mater.

In awarding him an Alumni Service Medal, the Alumni Association also presented him with a citation reading as follows: "Blessed with good fortune in your business enterprises, you won deserved public acclaim for your devoted philanthropic endeavors in behalf of many worthy charitable institutions. Now your fellow alumni honor you for similar benefactions and service to your Alma Mater as both ardent campaign leader and generous contributor to the City College Fund (and its predecessor, the Centennial Fund). For more than ten years, you have responded faithfully and with enthusiasm to every alumni appeal to help provide the present-day students with a more fruitful, educational experience at City College."

Mr. Horowitz, president of H.R.H. Construction Corporation, has been identified with Park Avenue Synagogue for many years and when the Milton Steinberg House was erected, he contributed the services of his organization gratuitously. We are happy to join with his fellow alumni in congratulating our colleague in this well deserved honor.

Teen Agers Give $400 To UJA

The teen-age group of Park Avenue Synagogue out-did itself by a recent contribution of $400 to the United Jewish Appeal based upon a dance they recently conducted in the Lemberg Auditorium according to Hy Sankel, director of Youth Activities.

Mrs. William Karmiol

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current term.

Hazzan Putterman gave an inspiring invocation and Jacob Klein, president of the Synagogue, paid tribute to Gertrude's devoted and dedicated service to Sisterhood and to the Synagogue. On behalf of Sisterhood and as an expression of esteem and affection, Mrs. Solomon E. Green presented Mrs. Karmiol with a beautiful bracelet charm inscribed "Mazel". If one has that, nothing else matters, and if one doesn't have it, then nothing else helps.

New Officers Installed At Men's Club Annual Dinner Meeting

By HARVEY GLASSER

Men's Club's 9th Annual Dinner and Election Meeting, on Tuesday evening, May 21st, in the Lemberg Auditorium, was an occasion long to be remembered and cherished for its heartwarming sentiment and rededication for the work yet to be done. No doubt, the wonderful food and atmosphere were responsible for the frivolity and good fellowship which prevailed but underneath it all was a genuine sense of sadness and regret that Milton Sivek was stepping down as President of Men's Club after a tenure of four successful years.

Milton, expressing obvious emotion, delivered a magnificent valedictory which was touching and full of humility and which those members present will not soon forget. As a token of Men's Club's gratitude and appreciation, Milton was presented with a beautiful scroll and a polaroid camera.

Dr. Sigmund A. Siegel was installed as our new President and promised to carry on the work of his predecessors in developing Men's Club into an even greater and better Men's Club.

Also honored at the dinner, and presented with scrolls and gifts, were Lawrence A. Meyers, who stepped down as Treasurer after seven years, and Louis I. Heller, former Corresponding Secretary and Editor of the Men's Club "Memo", now serving as Executive Director of Cong. Beth Israel of Atlantic City, N. J. .

Joseph Howard Katz, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Synagogue, presided, acting as toastmaster and inducting officer for the new officers and directors elected at the meeting. He also presented and read the scrolls to the men being honord. Jacob Klein, President of the Synagogue, delivered the invocation, and Hazzan David J. Putterman led the assemblage in saying Grace after the dinner. James J. Leibman made the presentations of the gifts to Milton Sivek, Larry Meyers and Louis Heller on behalf of the Board and membership of Men's Club.

Surprise Party For Mrs. Herman Helpern

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

On the evening of May 8, the Sisterhood Lounge was a scene of gay festivity, when the Executive Board of the Parents Association gave a surprise party in honor of Mrs. Herman Helpern, who is retiring as president after having served for five years.

Husbands, too, were invited, and great was the merriment when imagination transformed the usual Board meeting into a Utopian gathering in the year 2057. The secretary's minutes, the treasurer's report and the resumees of the various committees provoked much laughter as they pictured the fanciful achievements of the organization a century hence.

For her inspirational, devoted and dynamic leadership, Lillian was awarded a beautifully engraved and framed service plaque, designed by Mrs. A. Stangel. Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer, president for the coming year, then presented Lillian with a gold charm engraved: "To Lillian with love and affection from the Executive Board of the Parents Association of the Park Avenue Synagogue."

A delightful social evening followed as members and their husbands gathered around the unusually attractive buffet table so artistically arranged by our own talented Regina Stangel.

Now that a new administration in the life of the Parents Association is about to dawn, we reflect with pride upon the many splendid objectives gained during Lillian's term of office.

As Louise M. Alcott said of a worthwhile book, so we can say of Lillian's sound administration: "That is a good reign which is opened with expectation and closed with profit."

Congratulations

Mr. and Mrs. Harry J. Sokolow—40th Wedding Anniversary—June 3

Mrs. Charles Weill—89th Birthday—June 13

Mr. and Mrs. Bruno Foa — 20th Wedding Anniversary—June 24

Dr. and Mrs. Mack Fieber — 15th Wedding Anniversary—June 30

Mr. and Mrs. Morry Luxenberg—Birth of granddaughter

Schedule of Religious Services

Tuesday Evening, June 4 . . . . . 6.00 P.M.
Wednesday Morning, June 5 (*Shavuoth*) . . . . . 9:30 A.M.

Confirmation-Graduation Exercises
Rabbi Allan Blaine, Visiting Rabbi, will preach

Wednesday Evening, June 5 . . . . . 6:00 P.M.
Thursday Morning, June 6 (*Shavuoth*) . . . . . 9:30 A.M.

Yiskor (Memorial) Services
Rabbi Allan Blaine, Visiting Rabbi, will preach on:
"Creative Remembrance"

Friday Evening, June 7 . . . . . 6:00 P.M.
Saturday Morning, June 8 . . . . . 9:30 A.M.

Bas Mitzvah of Elissa Kaufman
Daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Samuel Kaufman
Rabbi Bernard Mandelbaum, Visiting Rabbi, will preach

Friday Evening, June 14 . . . . . 6:00 P.M.
Saturday Morning, June 15 . . . . . 9:30 A.M.

Bar Mitzvah of Joel Grantz
Son of Dr. and Mrs. A. Irwin Grantz
Rabbi Allan Blaine, Visiting Rabbi, will preach

Friday Evening, June 21 . . . . . 6:00 P.M.
Saturday Morning, June 22 . . . . . 9:30 A.M.

Bar Mitzvah of Randolph Nieburgs
Son of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Nieburgs

Friday Evening, June 28 . . . . . 6:00 P.M.
Saturday Morning, June 29 . . . . . 9:30 A.M.

Bar Mitzvah of Howard Herman
Son of Mr. Abraham Herman

Services will continue through the summer on Friday evenings at 6:00 P.M. and on Saturday mornings at 9:30 A.M.

Conservative Synagogue Administrators Meet In June Conclave

The National Association of Synagogue Administrators is holding their annual convention this year June 18 through 21 at Grossingers in Liberty, New York. Mr. Charles Rosengarten, president of the United Synagogue of America, will deliver the keynote talk. Other sessions of the convention will hear prepared papers on various topics of synagogue administration.

The National Association of Synagogue Administrators is the official group of executive directors in conservative synagogues. Sidney R. Katz, our own executive director, is chairman of the Convention Committee. He is also a member of the Governing Board of synagogue administrators.

Condolences

Mrs. A. Irwin Grantz — death of sister Mrs. Eva Gold

Mrs. Lena Jacobs—death of sister Mrs. Bertha Altman

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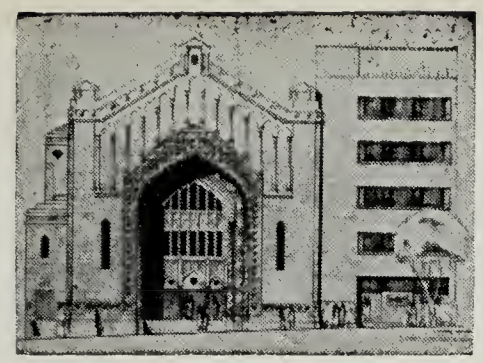

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Address Delivered by Mrs. Sol E. Green At Her Installation as Sisterhood Pres.

(In May, Mrs. Solomon E. Green was installed as president of the Sisterhood together with the other officers by Jacob Klein, president of the Park Avenue Synagogue. With her usual thoroughness and diligence, Mrs. Green did not merely accept the presidency, but, as can be seen from the talk printed below, gave her new responsibility much thought. So impressed were those who heard it, that we herewith reprint the speech in full.)

Madam Chairman, President of the Synagogue, Women of Sisterhood, Friends: I have a mixture of emotions, —happiness and pride in the honor you have conferred on me, gratitude for your confidence, humility at the thought of the spiritual significance involved.

But, perhaps, my strongest reaction is ambition. Oh, not for myself, but for our Sisterhood. I want it to be the best in the country. With the type of individual leadership we have, it can be accomplished.

It is a very sobering thought that I am no longer a private individual, but a representative of Jewish women and the Synagogue. I am your ambassador of Good Will. The candle that gives its light to the others is called the Shamos or servant candle. That is the way I view my position.

In Judaism, the person is simply the instrument through which God works. Moses is not mentioned in the Passover Haggadah. The emphasis should be on the purpose served by a human being, but not on the person. Dr. Finkelstein says ideal leadership should be anonymous.

We who are being installed today are receiving an Aliyah, called up to the service of God, Torah, and the Jewish People. Just as the honor of Aliyah requires participation and ritual, so does our Sisterhood Aliyah involve work, participation and responsibility of action.

This, then, is an hour that divides the past from the future. Too often, we lose sight of the cause of an organization, because we are so concerned with its trappings and trimmings, its personalities. We must periodically pause and take stock, reevaluate and reaffirm our purpose.

We should never lose sight of Sisterhood objectives. These are: To perpetuate the high ideals of Judaism by stressing ethical practices in every day living. To further Jewish education, to create and foster Jewish sentiment in the home, through ceremonials in the observance of the Sabbath and Holidays. These can be made appealing to the eye, euphonious to the ear, elevating to the spirit, and stimulating to the mind. Also, to promote Synagogue attendance and projects, and to foster a sense of com-

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Schedule of Religious Services

Friday Evening, September 6 ..... 6:00 P.M.
Saturday Morning, September 7 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Friday Evening, September 13 ..... 6:00 P.M.
Saturday Morning, September 14 ..... 9:30 A.M.

Services will be conducted in the Main Synagogue

Rabbi Judah Nadich and Hazzan David J. Putterman Officiating

November 8 New Induction Date For Rabbi Nadich

Although Rabbi Nadich has been serving our Congregation since July 1, the formal induction ceremony will actually take place on Friday evening, November 8 at which date our late Friday evening Services will begin.

Earlier, a different date had been announced on the calendar card which had been sent to our congregants. Full announcement of the induction ceremony will be made in a subsequent issue of the BULLETIN.

Our Synagogue's Menorah on Exhibition At Museum

The Newark Museum of Art in Newark, New Jersey, informed us that the menorah designed and sculptured by Calvin Albert, well known sculptor, which is part of the Appleman Chapel, had been viewed by over eleven thousand persons during the nine weeks that it was shown at its museum.

The Newark Museum had borrowed our menorah for a special exhibit on Art In Judaism, which closed on the 16th of June. The associate director of the museum, Miss Mildred Baker, described this exhibit as one of its most appreciated in recent years.

High Holidays Start Thursday, September 26

Rosh Hashanah this year takes place on Thursday and Friday, September 26 and 27. The evening Maariv service inaugurating the opening of the holidays will be held Wednesday evening, September 25.

Kol Nidre will occur on Friday evening, October 4, and Yom Kippur the following day, Saturday, October 5.

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Girl Scouts Visit Park Avenue Synagogue

During the month of August, the Girl Scouts of the United States of America used the facilities of our Appleman Chapel and Cohen Library for the purpose of taking photographs that will be used in nation wide publicity in newspapers and magazines during National Girl Scout Week, March 9 through March 15, 1958.

One of the features of that week will emphasize church and synagogue attendance by scouts.

The scouts who participated here were: Marie Cella—Brownie; Dorothy Michitsch — Intermediate; Charlotte Stoncy — Mariner; Cathy Rubin — Intermediate: and Dava Sobel — Intermediate.

They came from all over the metropolitan area of New York.

Synagogue Mourns Passing of Women Leaders

This summer marked the passing of two leading women of our Congregation: Mrs. Rose Weill and Mrs. Helen R. Krulewitch.

Mrs. Rose Weill was the wife of the late Charles Weill, former president of one of the congregations that went into the merger that became the Park Avenue Synagogue. He also served as vice-president of our Synagogue. Mrs. Weill's own life was interwoven with our Synagogue and its leadership. Her son, Milton Weill, is one of our Congregation's leading figures, having been a trustee for many years and today is serving as honorary trustee of our Congregation. Her son-in-law, Ezra Cohen, is a past chairman of our Board of Trustees.

Mrs. Helen R. Krulewich was the wife of Major General Melvin L. Krulewitch, a trustee of our Synagogue and former vice-chairman of its Board of Trustees. Mrs. Krulewitch had been active for many years in our Synagogue, as well as in communal services and organizations.

Religious School News

REGISTRATION

The School Office is open for registration of *new* students in the Religious School. We are accepting applications for both the Primary and the Hebrew Departments of the school.

Registration may be made over the phone (EN 9-2600) or in person in the School Office between 3:00 and 6:30 P.M. every afternoon.

Members of the congregation are urged to advise their friends and relatives in the community that children of non-members may be enrolled in the school.

Students who attended the Primary Department or the Hebrew Department of the school last year will receive their new class and room assignments in the mail.

BAR MITZVAH and BAS MITZVAH

The Park Avenue Synagogue has always advocated equal opportunities in Jewish education for both boys and girls. All of our students attend the same classes, study the same curriculum and, at the age of thirteen, are equally prepared for the boys to be Bar Mitzvah and the girls to be Bas Mitzvah.

The Synagogue, however, in accordance with the recommendations of the United Synagogue Comuission on Education, requires a minimum of three years instruction in the Hebrew Department of the Religious School prior to Bar Mitzvah or Bas Mitzvah.

HEBREW REGENTS

Two students in our High School Extension Department passed the Hebrew Regents examination in June 1957 with unusually high grades. Frana Mills was a candidate for the three-year examination in Hebrew and Jacqueline Finkel took the two-year examination. These examinations are conducted by the University of the State of New York for students who have studied Hebrew for the equivilent of two or three years in the High School in New York.

Our congratulations to Frana and Jackie and to their teacher, Dr. Aaron Giat.

SCHOOL OPENS

The Hebrew Department of the Religious School will open on Monday, September 16.

The Primary Department will hold its first session on Sunday, September 22.

HIGH HOLIDAY SERVICES

Our annual services for the children and the young people of the Congregation will once again be held at the Jewish Museum, 92nd Street and Fifth Avenue. Full particulars of the services will appear in the next issue of the BULLETIN.

Tickets for the services will be distributed to all students enrolled in the Religious School. Parents may secure tickets for children not registered in the School by calling at or writing to the Synagogue Office.

Condolences

Mrs. Ezra Cohen and Mr. Milton Weill—death of mother Rose Weill
Mrs. Ida Daub — death of sister Belle Rose
Irving Felt — death of father Abraham Felt
Mr. and Mrs. William Frankel — death of brother-in-law Abraham Goodman
S. Stanley Garfinkel and Mrs. Irving Oshinsky — death of sister Sadye Grossman
Mrs. Grace Gilbert — death of husband Dr. Robert S. Gilbert
Gen. Melvin L. Krulewitch—death of wife Helen R. Krulewitch
Leon Natanson—death of brother Benjamin S. Natanson
Joseph Perlman—death of mother Sara R. Perlman
Mrs. Frances Rubin—death of husband Martin H. Rubin
Herbert W. Shiers—death of brother Ralph O. Shiers
Mrs. Ann Turman—death of husband Moe Turman
Melvin Weisbart—death of father Morris Weisbart

Sabbath Services in the Main Synagogue To Resume September 6

Beginning Friday evening, September 6, our services will revert back to the Main Synagogue.

Rabbi Judah Nadich and Hazzan David J. Putterman will officiate.

Milton Weill Reviews History Of Park Avenue Synagogue

(In the June issue of our BULLETIN, *Volume 11—No. 17, the last of our previous liturgical year, we carried photographs of our 75th anniversary celebration, which was held at the Park Avenue Synagogue on Sunday, March 31. We also published the first portion of the address which Mr. Milton Weill, chairman of the Anniversary Committee, delivered on that occasion. Due to the lack of space, we were unable to print the address in full. In his opening remarks, Mr. Weill reviewed the early years of the Congregation up to about 1925. The following is a continuation of his address.)*

The next date of this chronological record is the year 1926-1927, some 31 years ago, when this present beautiful house of worship was built and dedicated. Arthur Ochs, who is still a member of our Congregation, was the chairman of the building committee at that time. Then, it officially became known as the Park Avenue Synagogue.

At this point I would like to record that some few years prior to this, in 1918, Jacob Friedman, who had been a member of this Congregation since 1902, became the President of the Park Avenue Synagogue and served in that capacity for over thirty years. Those of us who had the inspiring thrill of being associated with him will recall that literally and figuratively he gave everything that he had to the growth and development of the Park Avenue Synagogue. Who will ever forget the warmth of his messages? Who will ever forget the warmth of his personality? Who will ever forget that for year after year, until I believe 1937, he personally conducted or rendered what became famous at that time, as the Kol Nidre appeal? I would say that no anniversary, now or in the future, would be complete without our reverent and affectionate salute to his memory. I am delighted today, to have in our Congregation, Mrs. Friedman, and her daughter Frances Peiper, who still are, and always will be, stalwarts of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

The next important date, in this brief summary, is the year 1929, some 28 years ago, when the Temple Atereth Israel, another old Congregation of about the same age as the Park Avenue Synagogue then located on 82nd Street, merged with the Park Avenue Synagogue. As they say in the movies, that is when I came in. I can speak with great personal satisfaction of that merger for I had the pleasure of being the representative of the 82nd Street group that worked out the details with Uncle Jacob, as we always affectionately called Jacob Friedman. It was a very happy merger for Atereth Israel and for Park Avenue Synagogue. The "Shiduch" was well worked out, and it has been a very happy merger ever since of resources and leadership.

The next important date, some 24 years ago, and the most important in the history of the Park Avenue Synagogue, is the year 1933. That is the year when Milton Steinberg became the Rabbi of Park Avenue Synagogue. That was the year that really marked the beginning of our strength and our prestige. Just as Athens had its golden age of Pericles, so the Park Avenue Synagogue had its golden age under Milton Steinberg. On April 5th we commemorate Rabbi Milton Steinberg's seventh Yahrzeit. Today we reverently recall his part, a seventeen year part in the glorious history of the Park Avenue Synagogue. He laid a strong foundation upon which this Synagogue has built, a foundation on which we shall continue to build so long as we do so with the same degree of sincerity and devotion. As we look back at that record we draw inspiration from it, but we say that the best years of our Synagogue life lie ahead.

The most recent important date in our history was the year 1954, when the beautiful Milton Steinberg House that adjoins the Synagogue building was erected and dedicated. It was a dream of Rabbi Steinberg throughout his seventeen years of service to have adequate facilities for the children and the youth of this Congregation, for a Sunday School and a Religious School. That, unfortunately, was denied to him during his life of service, but it stands today as an eloquent tribute to his great teachings. The building is a thing of beauty and an instrument of tremendous strength in the future growth of our Congregation.

I would like to recall the names of those who have served the spiritual needs of this Congregation from the year 1882 to the present time. This is really an honor roll and includes Rabbis Brown, Krauskopf, Carlman, Davidson, Martin and Lipkin. Now we come to the period of time when I became personally affiliated. Rabbi Gabriel Shulman, Rabbi Milton Steinberg and his associates Rabbis Erwin Zimet, Morris N. Kertzer and Simon Noveck, who finally succeeded him as Rabbi of the Synagogue. As I give reverent salute to these spiritual leaders of the past, may I also take this opportunity of giving a welcome salute to our new Rabbi, who will shortly be with us, Rabbi Judah Nadich.

I should also like to salute the Cantors who served this Synagogue. Unfortunately, our records do not go back too far. The first record we have is of Cantor Martin, who also served as Rabbi for two years. Then we had Cantor Sukonig who served us for seventeen years and who was followed by our wonderful Cantor Putterman who has been with us for twenty-four years. He came to this Synagogue at the same time as Rabbi Steinberg. Both were chosen by a committee headed by Jacob Friedman. Cantor Putterman has brought to the Synagogue great distinction, and has rendered a unique service in the field of liturgical music. His annual liturgical Sabbath service has helped to create new inspiring melodies to make conservative religious worship more meaningful and more significant. Much of the beauty of the Park Avenue Synagogue religious service stems from the beauty of the music, and the effectiveness of our famed choir, all under the personal direction of our Cantor Putterman.

And now, I should like to salute the Presidents who have served this Congregation; only seven in 75 years, a remarkable tribute! Max Meyers, Max Lowenstein, Dr. S. Wolff, Mr. Z. Plonsky, Jacob Fredman, Jr., Dr. E. D. Friedman, who succeeded him, and our present incumbent Jacob Klein, whose 79th birthday was recently celebrated in this very auditorium, and who is now in his sixth consecutive year of distinguished leadership as President of this Congregation.

Then I should like to salute the Chairman of the Board of Trustees of this Congregation. When Jacob Friedman became ill, it was deemed advisable to establish the office of Chairman of the Board, so that the business administration of the Synagogue might be divorced from the leadership customarily given by a president. The first Chairman of the Board to be elected under that reorganization was Fred Finn, who I am glad to see, is with us this afternoon. He was succeeded by Justice Bernard Botein and followed by Ben Sack.

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Judge Sanford H. Cohen, Ezra Cohen, and our present Chairman, Joseph Howard Katz. And I would like to salute, while I am giving out salutes, and I do this with great authority, as I happen to be a military man, having risen to the dizzy heights of a Second Lieutenant in World War I, the many families who have served the Synagogue devotedly for over a span of 50 years. Many of the individuals here today were raised in this Congregation, attended our Sunday School, Hebrew School, were Bar Mitzvah, and more recently Bas Mitzvah. As a matter of fact, we have an exhibit this afternoon in the physical presence of Rabbi Sanford Hahn, who was born in this area, was raised in this Congregation, attended our Sunday School, was Bar Mitzvah here, and has now gone forth into the Rabbinical world, to take his place of religious leadership, as a result of the inspiration that was generated in him in this very Synagogue building.

I think it is a great tribute to the type of thinking that has influenced our program, that we have been able to hold our youth so closely to our Congregation and have found in them the leaders of today. The old records of this Congregation have unfortunately been lost, so we do not have any of the details that we would love to have, and that would give us more of a picture of the early founding fathers. But we do know, that they built well, and that they passed on to each succeeding generation the spirit of their leadership. From the earliest days the Synagogue has been prominently identified with the modern principles of Jewish education. I say modern because I well remember my Sunday School and Hebrew School days and they did not have the approach that we have had in more recent years.

One of the earliest principals of the Sunday School of this Congregation was Julia Richman, a great educator, and one of the city's most distinguished leaders in the educational field. For years our Sunday and Hebrew Schools were the model schools for experimental work, under the guidance and direction of the Jewish Education Committee of New York, and beginning with Milton Steinberg's days, this Synagogue developed to a marked degree, the importance and emphasis on adult Jewish education. To this day I think that is one of the great contributions that we have made to Jewish teachings and Jewish life. More recently our Youth work, which two years ago began under a definite program of integrated activity, has become so popular, that I am told, admission to its ranks has become difficult. Our Junior Congregation, that for so many years has inspired our youth with the first glimpse into religious attitudes and the significance of religious ceremonies, stands as another symbol of the appreciation that we pay to our youth, knowing that it is the work that is done with our young that becomes important as we progress through life. And my final salute goes to the organizations affiliated with the Synagogue; to our wonderful Sisterhood which over the years has been such a stalwart guardian of the best traditons in this congregation. The Sisterhood helped consistently, particularly in the early days of our struggle, and donated many of the facilities that this Congregation might not otherwise have had, such as the organ that you heard played this afternoon. That was a contribution from Sisterhood at the time of the dedication of this building. I also salute the Men's Club; a little younger than Sisterhood, but which has rendered distinguished service and has provided leadership for the Congregation. I salute the Young Marrieds and all the other groups that have played so important a part in the life of this Congregation.

That Ladies and Gentlemen, is a brief history of the past 75 years—an inspiring one. But we look upon them only as the foundation for the years that lie ahead. I am told that it is a sign of senility to reminisce over the past. We in the Congregation believe that we are old enough to know our way around but we are young enough to look ahead. It is in the future years that we feel our greatest strength is to come, and when you are all invited to join in the celebration of our 100th anniversary, I am sure you will find that the next 25 years will add another glorious record to the achievements of the past.

Dedication Pamphlet Printed in 1891

The above reproduction is taken from the cover of the dedication pamphlet printed by Congregation Atereth Israel of East 82nd Street, Manhattan, one of the root congregations which subsequently went into the formation of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

This Congregation was nine years old at the time they dedicated their then new building. Services were held in both Hebrew and in German. The picture shown on the cover is that of the rabbi who served as the minister of the congregation, Dr. A. Calman. The president of the congregation at that time was M. Lowenstein.

The building located on 82nd Street between Second and First Avenues is still in existence and is now occupied by a church.

Mrs. Green Speaks

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munal responsibility. A good Sisterhood is interested in the development of wholesome personalities secure in their Jewishness. appreciative because of knowledge of their culture.

We keep the spirit and teachings of Milton Steinberg, Olav Hasholom alive, by doing these things, and. in the way that he would have liked. We can raise a torch in this, our little part of the world, and teach all to strive together as friends, rather than divided as enemies.

Woman should not be her sister's keeper, but her sister's sister. All need to be anchored to that which gives strength, courage, and stability. A Sisterhood can stand for the high Jewish concepts of Charity, Compassion and Love of People. In it so much is received for so little.

Sisterhood can be the school for the Jewish woman. It can make them feel a part of the contemporary process in Jewish history. A sense of creativity is imparted through participation.

A President is only as strong as her officers and chairmen, so each one must be more than aware of her unique responsibility.—and responsibility it must be. The calibre of our leadership determines the level to which our Sisterhood will rise, and the standards which we will set for our general membership must possess positive attitudes towards Jewish living to translate our objectives into action.

When we raise the standards of our Sisterhood, we raise our own personal standards as well. This we can do when we work together for something bigger than ourselves.

I do want you to like me, but even more, I want you to like Sisterhood, so much that you will refrain from petty bickering that will mar the pleasantness of our coming together, and the results achieved. Let us put Sisterhood above ourselves. Look upon it as a sacred trust to pass on to others intact, vital, and even stronger than when we came into it. To hurt each other's feelings is to hurt Sisterhood, and no one has that right. I declare here and now, that I shall give top priority to keeping the peace,—whatever that may entail, and whomever it may affect. My first test of any course of action, will be to determine if it will cement ties or irritate personal relations.

My second concern is bringing out and putting to use the potentialities of every member. Our slogan, every member a working member. We must find some niche of activity for each one, and this activity, I may add in passing, should be of the whole person, not just the mouth. In the slang of Poker players, they say. "put up or shut up". Those who occupy the floor for lengthy opinions and advice, shall be required to take an active part in implementing their fine talk. or I shall pull the rug out as it were, and give the floor to some worker who *earns* the right to talk. Notice the present tense of earns the right, not the past tense. Advice is necessary and desirable, especially in private, but the past performer cannot monopolize the stage, and must give way, gracefully, and help new workers when available and capable.

My third aim is to bring Jewish content to our program, that will be intellectually and spiritually stimulating to us all. We now have a Rabbi and a Rebbetzin who can and will further this aim.

Another change of policy: Board meeting and committee meetings are the right places to thresh out problems, discuss details, and present reports by every single committee. To the general open meeting. come visitors, prospective members, and those unacquainted and therefore less interested in personalities and details. The open meeting should be made entertaining, instructive, uplifting, sociable.

We plan to streamline the agenda and program. If we step on some toes in the process, please don't let your egos be offended. It's for the overall good that we do this. Try to understand and cooperate. It's not personal.

An organization as large in size and diversified in scope as ours requires the devoted and unstinted services of many loyal women to keep secure the stature and strength already attained. The results that have been achieved tell you of the time and energy that have been given here.

Those of you who have not as yet developed your full potentialities, I am most eager that you do so in our regime. We will be successful if that is accomplished. Please feel free, I urge you to confer with us. as to any committee assignments that would interest you. Volunteers will be welcomed with open arms.

This is not a country club. It is a democratic organization. Do not hesitate to let us know what part you would like to take. No square pegs in round holes. I will not throw out in open assembly, haphazard, unadvised appointments, that might be embarassing or ill chosen. You tell us where you feel you fit into our whole picture. Remember, everything you do. adds to the sum total. The greatest amount of taxes in the United States is not collected from the few wealthy, but from the majority of modest means.

Our greatest asset is our woman power, and too, if your talents are being used, you will feel happier, and fulfilled, when constructive purpose is added to your life. Women feel frustrated and restless when not engaged in good, creative action. The friendships made here are invaluable; the knowledge, education and experience received, are stimulating and immeasurable.

We all need to be needed, and Sisterhood needs us. You are part of our plans. So, come and have your *faith* lifted. We are always at your service. Our seasoned leaders know how, what, when, why, who, and where. Before we get too tired, it would be wise for the younger women to train with us. Given time, education. encouragement, and patience, the leaders of the near future can be developed.

In industry, there's an old adage, and this truism holds good for all organizations. "There's always room at the top." Leaders must have acquired experience. We have vacancies on the Board, which we are eager to fill. There are, in the general membership, women of ability, who desire to assist in work for the Synagogue. Volunteer to take on an assignment, do a job, and in no time at all, you'll be sought to join the executive Board. We can not know your capabilities unless you reveal them to us by participation in our projects. In fact, even you cannot know your own possibilities until you try to develop them. We seek out leadership on the highest levels of dedication and devotion to Sisterhood and Synagogue. So don't be bashful. This is your religious home. There are new young members on our Board this year. We know they will be a great asset.

As for our general membership, it has superior type of women. No sisterhood can boast of more brilliant, capable. and dedicated women. They are

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Sisterhood Plans For Current Season

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

While most of us have wiled away those lazy summer days, our president, Mrs. Sol Green, and her Program Chairman, Mrs. Irwin Rome, together with their committee, have been busily planning and organizing to make Sisterhood's meetings more stimulating and varied than ever before.

On Tuesday, September 17, Sisterhood will begin its new season with a luncheon that promises to be appealing to the most epicurean tastes. This will be followed by an open meeting at which Rabbi Judah Nadich will be our guest speaker. Everyone will want to hear our Rabbi speak on "Believing is Doing", and will want to participate in the informal discussion to follow on "Ask the Rabbi." Our own Hazzan David Putterman will also be present to teach us the traditional blessings and some of the melodies so colorful in Jewish life.

Once again on Wednesdays from 10 A.M. to 3 P.M., the Sewing Circle will meet. Here in the Milton Steinberg House, our talented ladies will share their talents and hobbies by teaching others. Creative items will be displayed for sale at the September 17 meeting, and also at the subsequent meetings during the year. Whether you are an experienced needle-artist or just an eager beginner, you will find the Sewing Circle a very interesting group to join.

Keep the date, Tuesday, September 17, at 12 noon, and do plan to join your friends at Sisterhood's first luncheon and open meeting of the current season.

Congratulations

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bennet—engagement of son Philip Eugene to Ann Fishman

Mr. and Mrs. O. Roy Chalk—birth of grandson Peter Hubshman

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Epstein—birth of grandchild

Mr. and Mrs. Tubie Resnik—birth of grandson Richard Dana Trenk

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Thurman — birth of granddaughter Joan Beth

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Weinflash—birth of daughter Jody Ann

Mrs. Green Speaks

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top leaders in communal work. I count myself fortunate to be able to avail myself of their counsel.

I follow in an office that has been held by very special women going way back. It's quite a roster. Each made her unique contribution. May I prove worthy to be in such good company.

As to my immediate predecessor, Gertrude Karmiol, we hail her achievements, take pride in them, and look forward to her continued association with our efforts. Her administration was given effectiveness, warmth, and personal coloration because of the tact, humor, and devotion with which she met people and problems. She has been an exemplar of community cooperation.

During Gertrude Karmiol's absence, Doris Rome was acting President, who was active indeed, and conscientiously discharged all the duties of the office.

As for myself, I don't think that I can improve on Moses, so I've plagerized and paraphrased his 10 commandments as my pledge to you in accepting this high office.

1. I am the guide to *lead* you in service to our Sisterhood, Synagogue, and Community.
2. I shall have *no other* outside interest *before* Sisterhood.
3. I shall not take the *name* of President in *vain*.
4. I shall remember and observe the Sabbath and Holidays to keep them Holy.
5. I shall *honor* and cooperate with the parents, teachers, and leaders of our Synagogue so that their days of service shall be long in our midst.
6. I shall not destroy the unity and peace of our Sisterhood.
7. I shall not be faithless to the trust you have placed in me.
8. I shall not steal your time and monetary resources with fruitless activities.
9. I shall not bear false witness or carry gossip.
10. I shall not covet the leisure hours of those who are aimless.

In closing, I want to add, that there have been times when some of us have felt keen disappointment, disillusionment, doubt, and completely crushed. But, if we all learn from mistakes that *were* made, then the experience was worthwhile, for a short term disaster can be a long term blessing. We must therefore, exercise self-control, patience, and courage to sustain and enable us to bridge and live through these trying periods, and we must never lose our faith, built on hope for a better future.

I thank you for the many kind letters I've received expressing your good wishes. I realize that alone I am nothing. My strength lies with you. And if I have succeeded today in appealing to one potential worker, or softened a heart to give pardon, or raised your hopes for Sisterhood's future, I have accomplished my purpose though perhaps, tried your patience.

May the deeds we perform be worthy of the sanctuary we serve in unity. May the words we speak be of friendship for one another.

I pray for God's divine guidance, and with your help, I mean to give the best that I have within me, so that Sisterhood will go forward in friendship, happiness, and good accomplishments. Thank you.

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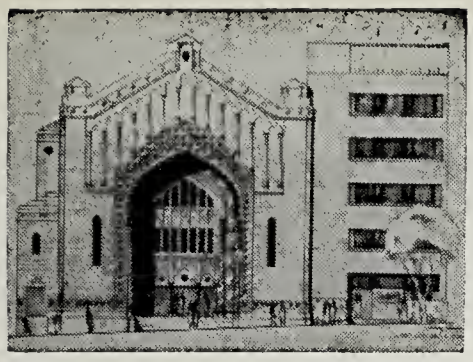

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Rabbi Tanenbaum To Assist at High Holyday Services

Doctor Judah Nadich, rabbi of the Park Avenue Synagogue will be assisted during the High Holydays by Rabbi Marc H. Tanenbaum. Rabbi Tanenbaum is executive director of the Synagogue Council of America, the national agency representing the Conservative, Orthodox and Reform rabbinic and congregational organizations in the United States. He is a national vice-chairman of the American Red Cross, vice-chairman of the Board of Directors of Religion in American Life and a member of the Religious Policy Committee of the Girl Scouts of America and the Camp Fire Girls. Recently he was designated chairman of the projects committee for the Jewish community of President Eisenhower's People-to-People movement. He is also a member of the Religious Advisory Committee of the U. S. Committee for the United Nations and is the editor of "Judaism—Orthodox, Conservative, Reform", scheduled for publication in the early part of next year.

He was ordained at the Jewish Theological Seminary of America.

High Holyday Services Begin Wednesday Evening, September 25

The new Jewish year 5718 will be ushered in at the Park Avenue Synagogue on Wednesday evening, September 25 at 5:45 p.m. with the *Rosh Hashanah* evening service. On the two mornings of *Rosh Hashanah*, Thursday, September 26, and Friday, September, 27, at 8:30 a.m. services will be conducted both in the Main Synagogue and in the Lemberg Auditorium. The services will be led by Doctor Judah Nadich, newly elected rabbi of the Park Avenue Synagogue, and Hazzan David J. Putterman, together with the synagogue choir and the organist, Mr. George Crook. Rabbi Nadich will be assisted by Rabbi Marc Tanenbaum, executive director of the Synagogue Council of America.

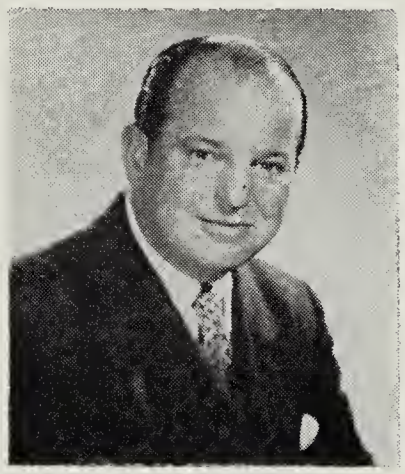
As in the past, a united service will be held in the synagogue and auditorium. Rabbi Nadich and Rabbi Tanenbaum will deliver separate sermons, with Rabbi Nadich preaching on the first day of *Rosh Hashanah* in the synagogue and Rabbi Tanenbaum in the auditorium. On the second day the procedure will be reversed. During the several services on *Yom Kippur* the rabbis will alternate also. The musical portions of the services chanted by Hazzan Putterman and the chair will be heard simultaneously in both the synagogue and the auditorium.

The subject of Doctor Nadich's sermons on *Rosh Hashanah* will be "Character and Conformity", while that of Rabbi Tanenbaum will be "A Nuclear Faith For A Fissionable Age". On *Yom Kippur* Rabbi Nadich will preach on "Being A Jew In These Days" and Rabbi Tanenbaum on "The Meaning Behind Yom Kippur".

Cantor Abraham Friedman will conduct the early Shaharit Service in the synagogue and Mr. Ethan Signer, a student at the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, will officiate at the service in the auditorium. Mr. Isidor Hahn, a member of the congregation, will again blow the shofar.

I. M. Cohen to be Honored Wednesday, October 14

Isadore M. Cohen, Vice-President of the firm of Joseph H. Cohen & Sons, Inc. will be guest of honor at a dinner sponsored by the Park Avenue Synagogue on Monday evening, October 14th. The event, in behalf of The Jewish Theological Seminary of America, will be held at the Milton Steinberg House, 50 East



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SCHEDULE OF HOLYDAY SERVICES

Rosh Hashanah Eve, Wednesday, Sept. 25	5:45 p.m.
Rosh Hashanah Morning, Thursday, Sept. 26	8:30 a.m.
Second Evening, Thursday, Sept. 26	5:45 p.m.
Second Morning, Friday, Sept. 27	8:30 a.m.
Friday Evening, Sept. 27	5:45 p.m.
Shabbat Shuvah, Sept. 28	9:30 a.m.
Kol Nidre, Friday, Oct. 4	6:45 p.m.
Yom Kippur, Saturday, Oct. 5	8:30 a.m.
Yizkor Memorial Service	3:00 p.m.

The High Holyday Services will be conducted by Rabbi Judah Nadich, Rabbi Marc H. Tanenbaum, Hazzan David J. Putterman and the Synagogue Choir with Mr. George Crook, organist.

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Rosh Hashanah Greetings From Rabbi Nadich

Dear friends;

In this, my first opportunity to greet you through the medium of the BULLETIN, may I express my appreciation for the gracious and cordial manner with which so many of you have already welcomed my family and myself. You have made us feel at home within the family of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

This new Jewish year soon to begin is a most important one in the history of our congregation. There is much that can be done to weld our people together into an even closer unity and into a more active participation in the program of the synagogue. Toward this end we shall require the closing of ranks, the counsel and re-enlistment of the past leaders, the continued dedication of officers and Board members and the cooperation of each member. No one can do it alone. No single group can achieve it. But all of us together with renewed zeal, with an unflagging awareness of the great potentialities of the Park Avenue Synagogue for our religious realization and that of our families, for its influence on the community and its leadership nationally, can write another glorious chapter in the already illustrious history of our congregation. Toward this goal I entreat your aid. For its consummation I pledge you my own devotion even as I fervently hope for and confidently expect your own.

Mrs. Nadich and our daughters join me in wishing for you and your loved ones a New Year of health, happiness and continued spiritual and cultural growth. May it be a year of moral leadership for our beloved America, a year of security for Israel and a year of peace for all mankind.

Sincerely,
JUDAH NADICH
Rabbi

A Memo To Our Congregants

Your attention is directed to the time schedule printed on the back of the tickets for your High Holyday seats. You will find noted the hours that the services begin and it is urged that you do your utmost to attend on time.

Persons arriving during the delivery of the sermon or during the recitation of a particular solemn prayer will find, as in the past, that the doors of the Synagogue are closed. It will be appreciated if late-comers accept the hospitality of the Appleman Chapel where seats can be used and the services heard until the Synagogue doors are opened once again.

Occasionally some of our congregants receive surprise visits during the services from an in-law or a grandchild and find it difficult to overcome their natural desire to have the gratification, if only for a few moments, of relatives seated near to them.

As understandable as this impulse is, we urge our congregants to give way to it only sparingly, if at all, and to please be as scrupulously careful as possible when so doing so as not to impinge upon the comfort and prayer of your neighbors. Unfortunately, we are, as all our congregants know, drastically limited in space and visits by persons who lack seating assignments are often not only unfair and undemocratic, but sometimes interfere with the solemnity of the religious service.

For the comfort of our congregants, checking facilities will be available in the lobby of the Milton Steinberg House main floor, as well as in the regular checkroom of the lower lobby of the Milton Steinberg House. All congregants are requested to avail themselves of these facilities to assure maximum comfort.

Our ushers are all loyal members of our congregation who have volunteered to help assure the character of the solemn High Holyday service and make it possible for all of our members to worship in their properly assigned seats. It is suggested that if any problem does arise our members be good enough to approach your nearest usher, who will do his utmost to take care of any difficulty.

JOSEPH HOWARD KATZ
Chairman Board of Trustees

New Year Greetings

For me this year of 5718 marks my twenty-fifth year with our beloved Synagogue. I am grateful to God for His manifold blessings in the past and pray for his continued guidance for the future.

This year will, I am certain, be an auspicious one in the annals of the Park Avenue Synagogue. In the little more than two months Rabbi Nadich and I have already become good friends and close co-workers, and I look forward to a long and enduring association of dedicated service to God, our congregational family, and the community.

May the New Year bring health, happiness, and peace to each and all of you.

DAVID J. PUTTERMAN
Hazzan

High Holyday Greetings

I wish to extend best wishes for the New Year to all our congregants with hopes that the year will bring us health, happiness and a life of joy.

May the teachings of traditional and modern Judaism and the blessing of the American democratic way of life continue to blend for all of us years of communion with God and our fellow man.

JOSEPH HOWARD KATZ
Chairman Board of Trustees

New Year Greetings

To each of our fellow Congregants:

Each New Year's Day is a little station, placed along life's railroad track;
Each year finds us passing through one,
And to none can you come back.
May you find the station, New Years Day 5718 (1957)
Lovelier, better, finer and more spiritual than the others you passed,
And may many, many more New Year's await you,
Each one brighter than the last.

May you also on this New Year's Day be awakened and stirred to make a New Year's Day resolution that you will make all the days of all the New Years to come, brighter and happier for your fellow man; and may you be inscribed in the Book of Life for good health, happiness, peace and for a long life.

With feeling's of deep affection for each and every one of you.

JACOB KLEIN
President

School Opens

PRIMARY DEPARTMENT *will hold its opening session on Sunday, September 22 at 9:45 A.M.*

HEBREW DEPARTMENT *has been in session since Monday, September 16.*

REGISTRATION *of new students in the Primary and Hebrew Departments of the Religious School will be accepted until October 1.*

Parents Association News

By VICKY WIMPFHEIMER

The Parents Association wishes to extend warm greetings and welcome to Rabbi and Mrs. Nadich and their family. We look forward to a very stimulating and inspiring year under the leadership and guidance of Rabbi Judah Nadich.

There will be a luncheon for new parents Monday, October 28.

The opening meeting of the Parents Association set for November 20, will enable members of the Parents Association to meet Rabbi Nadich and the teachers of the Religious School.

Mr. and Mrs. Club Holds Inaugural Meeting

By DR. LEON PORDY

The Mr. and Mrs. Club of the Park Avenue Synagogue extends to all our Congregants best wishes for a Happy, Joyous and Prosperous New Year. It is our earnest prayer that the coming year will bring enduring peace throughout the world.

Our inaugural meeting of the year, scheduled for Tuesday, October 8 at 8:30 P.M. in the Lemberg Auditorium, is dedicated in honor of Rabbi Judah Nadich. There will be a discussion period and collation following the address by Rabbi Nadich.

We wish to take this opportunity to cordially invite all members of the Synagogue to join us on this special occasion and to participate in the varied and outstanding program planned for the 1957-1958 season.

Roster of Officers:

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School News

By MARTIN LEICHTLING, *Principal*

Junior Congregation High Holyday Services

The younger people in the congregation and the students in the Religious School will conduct High Holyday Services at the Jewish Museum, 92nd Street and Fifth Avenue.

The students in the Hebrew School will conduct the services under the guidance and leadership of Jerry Ornstein, a student at the Jewish Theological Seminary. Mr. Ornstein will also lead a special service for the younger children, ages six to nine, who attend the Primary Department. This service has been planned to give our children, who have no ability to read Hebrew, an opportunity to participate in a rich emotional and religious experience.

Tickets for the services at the Museum will be distributed to all students enrolled in the Religious School. Parents may secure tickets for children not enrolled in the School by calling the office after 3:00 P.M. (EN 9-2600)

The students of the Religious School are grateful to Dr. Stephen S. Kayser, curator of the Jewish Museum, for making its facilities available for our High Holyday Services.

Men's Club Award

The last issue of the BULLETIN in June was printed before Shavuoth and could not announce the name of the student who was awarded the Men's Club Silver Medal and Certificate at Confirmation. This award is presented to the student in the graduating class who, during his years in the school, has been outstanding in scholarship, in service to the school and in attitude towards the synagogue and Judaism.

This year the faculty of the Religious School found two students—Charles Kaiser and Inez Fields—worthy of the award and the Men's Club was happy to provide a medal for both students.

Congratulations to Inez and Charles who will continue their studies in our High School Extension Department.

Seminar on Curriculum

The Fourth Annual Teacher's Seminar was held in the Sisterhood Lounge of the Synagogue on Tuesday and Wednesday, September 3 and 4. The two-day seminar, devoted to "Planning a Hebrew Curriculum for the Three-Day-A-Week Congregational School" was sponsored by Park Avenue Synagogue, Kehilath Jeshurun, Society for Advancement of Judaism, B'nai Jeshurun, Anshe Chesed and Inwood Jewish Center.

Martin Leichtling, chairman of the opening session, developed the theme of the conference. He emphasized the constant need for the re-examination of curricular material in the light of the changing needs of the community, the wishes of the parents, and above all, the interests and experiences of the children.

Rabbi Judah Nadich welcomed the teachers, principals and rabbis, who attended the conference, and described some of the efforts made in the Boston area towards the development of an extensive program of Jewish Education.

Rabbi Jack Cohen of the S. A. J. and Theodore Comet of Kehilath Jeshurun chaired two sessions on curriculum material for the second and third year of study. The closing session of the conference consisted of an Arts and Crafts High Holiday Workshop led by Mrs. Temima Gezari, director of Art Education for the Jewish Education Committee.

I. M. Cohen to be Honored

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87th Street, New York City, it was announced by Milton Weill, chairman of the affair and Samuel Lemberg, co-chairman.

An active humanitarian as well as a businessman, Mr. Cohen has been President of the Philanthropic—50; Clothing Industry Chairman of the National War Fund and the American Red Cross, has been active in many charity drives including those of Federation of Jewish Philanthropies, United Jewish Appeal, Greater New York Fund and American Jewish Congress, and is a member of the Board of Trustees of the Park Avenue Synagogue in New York.

In 1956 Mr. Cohen was the recipient of an award by the National Conference of Christians and Jews and in March, 1957, he received the Fifth Annual Henry J. Ettelson Humanitarian Award.

The Jewish Theological Seminary of America, in addition to training students for the rabbinate, cantorate and the field of Jewish education, is nationally known for its award-winning radio program, The Eternal Light, its series on NBC-TV's "Frontiers of Faith", its internationally noted Library, one of the largest of its kind in the world, and for the Institute for Religious and Social Studies, a graduate school for clergymen of all faiths.

Sisterhood News

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

When it was decided that the play originally selected for the Sisterhod Brunch-Matinee on December 4 would not open in New York City, the wise ladies of Sisterhood chose the gay musical "Rumple", adapted from the comedy caricature. With such top-names in the cast as Gretchen Wyler of "Damned Yankees" and Eddy Foy, Jr. of "Pajamá Game", this merry musical promises to be a must on everyone's list of four-star performances.

On October 15, Sisterhood will celebrate Community Day and is making extensive plans for the open meeting on that afternoon. Mrs. Sanford H. Cohen, chairman of the 1957 Federation Campaign for the Park Avenue Synagogue, and her co-chairman, Mrs. Samuel Gellert, have promised a very unusual program. At a workshop luncheon held on September 18 at the home of Mrs. Cohen, her campaign workers met and inaugurated plans for this year's appeal.

One of the hight-lights of the October 15 meeting, will be a fashion show of hats and furs suitable to be worn at all events on Sisterhood's calendar. Although many of us will recall that Oscar Wilde assures us that "style largely depends on the way the chin is worn," we of the twentieth century know that a fetching hat and a lovely fur can help us wear that chin!

Mrs. Theodore Meistrich will be in charge of this phase of the program, and, from past experience, we know that she will arrange a most attractive show.

Bicycle Found

Will the person who left a bicycle in our Synagogue please be good enough to call the Synagogue office and ask for Frank Williamson, the building superintendent, to identify it?

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SISTERHOOD'S BRUNCH and MATINEE

December 4, 1957

A MUSICAL -:- "RUMPLE"

Men's Club Plans Banner 1957-58 Season

By HARVEY GLASSER

Under the leadership of our new President, Dr. Sigmund A. Siegel, Men's Club is planning a banner 1957-58 season. Watch the BULLETIN for future announcements of our outstanding program.

Dr. Siegel has named the following men as chairmen of our standing committees for the ensuing year:

Membership...Theodore Meistrich
Program.....David Altschul and Monroe Heyward
Hospitality.....Julian Jacobs and Jack Boorstein
Finance & Budget.....Sam Kraft
Projects.....Harry Dubin
Publicity.....Harvey Glasser

Men's Club extends a warm welcome and invitation to all new members of the Park Avenue Synagogue to join their fellow-brethren in Men's Club. All those interested in becoming members, please contact Theodore Meistrich, Membership Committee Chairman, c/o the Synagogue Office.

Once again, Men's Club has the honor to be designated to provide the ushering for the Synagogue during the High Holidays and the regular Friday evening and Saturday services this year. The Ushering Committee will be under the direction of David Altschul.

The Officers and the Board of Directors of Men's Club extend every good wish to all for the holiday season and the new year.

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Monroe Sander
Neil Traubee
Moe Turman
Rose Weill

Religious School Classrooms Redecorated

The Arts and Decorations Committee has just completed the redecorating of the classrooms in the Milton Steinberg House. The theme for the colors was taken from the various hues in the stained glass facade.

Each floor has a separate color scheme which has been executed throughout in different proportions.

In keeping with the contemporary trend and forward thinking colorings of classrooms and school buildings, bright colors in several nuances were selected.

The lobby to the Appleman Chapel has incorporated in its decor the character of the grey and brown marble of the main lobby and the turquoise tone in the chapel in order to unify these areas.

Colorings and decor were selected and approved by Ethel Sivek, chairman; Lucille Lemberg and Sally Victor. One of our congregants, Milton J. Selig, was the painting contractor.

Congratulations

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Roth—marriage of their daughter in Paris.
Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Appleman—engagement of daughter Jill Leda to William Roberts
Mr. and Mrs. Edward Kaye—marriage of daughter Michele to Roy Hendrickson.
Mr. Arthur Ochs—70th Birthday on September 9th.
Mrs. Fannie Reiff—marriage of son Dr. Theodore Robert Reiff to Brenda Katchen.

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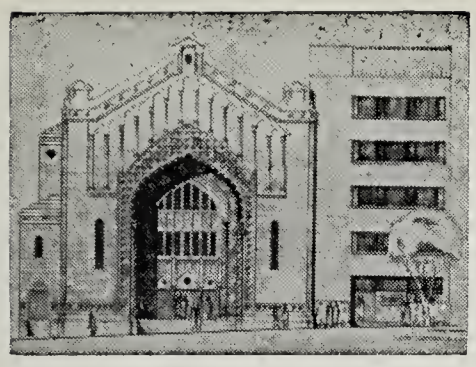

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SYNAGOGUE HONORS THREE LEADERS AT SIMHAT TORAH SERVICE OCTOBER 18

Harry J. Sokolow, Mrs. William Karmiol and Tubie Resnik will be honored by the Park Avenue Synagogue for outstanding service rendered the congregation and the community at the Simhat Torah service on Friday morning, October 18, the service beginning at 9:30 A.M.

These awards are bestowed annually by the Board of Trustees of the Park Avenue Synagogue upon persons who have served with distinction in the field of synagogue, Jewish communal and civic affairs.

Harry J. Sokolow has been named *Hatan Torah* (Bridegroom of the Torah) and will be called to the Torah for the reading of the closing verses in the last of the Five Books of Moses. Mrs. William Karmiol, designated as *Kalah Mafteret* (Bride of the Prophetic Message), will be summoned for the reading of the prophetic portion of the day. Although many congregations continue the ancient tradition of honoring their members as *Hatan Torah* and *Hatan Bereshit*, the Park Avenue Synagogue has the distinction of honoring a woman, a practice inaugurated in our synagogue several years ago. The honor of being called

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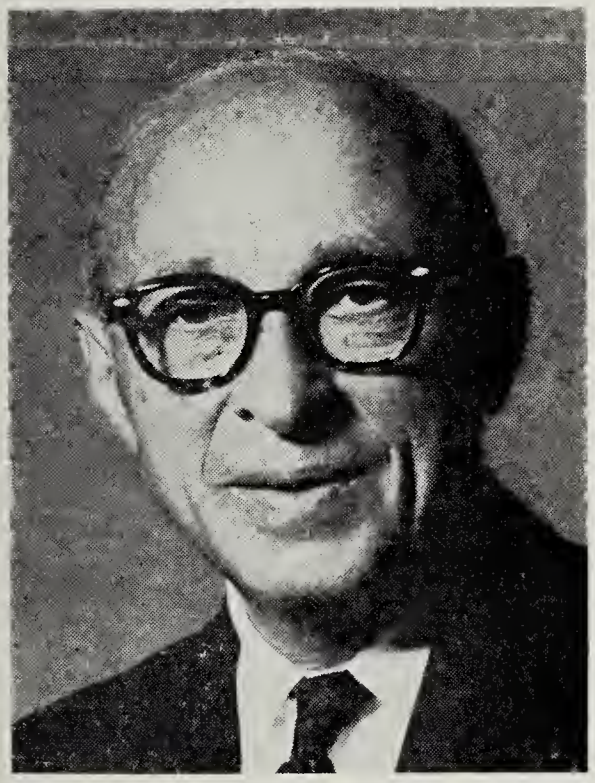
Hathan Torah

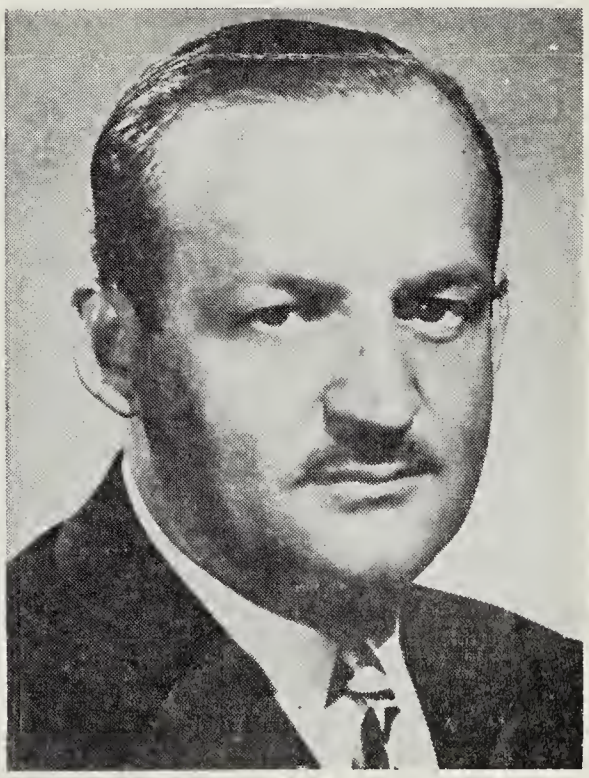


HARRY J. SOKOLOW

Kalah Mafteret

MRS. WILLIAM KARMIOL

Hatan Bereshit



TUBIE RESNIK

Rabbi Nadich's Sermon Topics

On Thursday morning, October 10, the 1st day of Sukkot, Rabbi Nadich will preach on *"One World—Distant Dream or Present Possibility."*

On Friday morning, October 11, the 2nd day of Sukkot, Rabbi Nadich will preach on *"Joy in Judaism."*

At the intermediate Sabbath of Sukkot, Saturday morning, October 12, the subject of Rabbi Nadich's sermon will be *"Knowledge—For What Purpose?"*

On Thursday morning, October 17, Shemini Azeret, Rabbi Nadich will preach on *"Sorrow—Oppressor or Teacher?"*

Rabbi Preaches Each Saturday Morning

Rabbi Nadich preaches each Saturday morning at the service beginning at 9:30. A full musical program is presented by Hazzan David J. Putterman and the synagogue choir, with George Crook at the organ.

More and more members of the Park Avenue Synagogue are giving themselves the opportunity of enjoying the Sabbath by coming regularly to the Saturday morning service. If you are not among them, why not join their number next Saturday?

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Refuoh Shelemoh

We are happy to report that Harry J. Sokolow, our energetic chairman of the Membership Committee, is on the road to recovery.

Harry, who also serves on the Board of Trustees, has been confined to the Medical Center these past few weeks. He is grateful for the many kind messages and visits he has received from so many of his friends in the congregation.

Latest reports from Dorothy, who still carries on her devoted service to the synagogue and her communal activities despite her daily visits to Harry, are that Harry is making splendid progress.

Mrs. Herman Helpern, former president of Parents Association and serving as 1st vice-president of Sisterhood and a member of the Advisory Council of the Board of Trustees, is now convalescing at home, after a long stay at Mt. Sinai Hospital that started during the summer. Lillian is anxiously awaiting her return to the Youth Activities program, of which she is chairman.

And as we go to press, we learned that Tubie Resnik, another active member of the Advisory Council, is a patient at the New York Hospital.

To all of them and to all others in our Synagogue family who are ill, go our sincere wishes for a speedy recovery. REFUOH SHELEMOH!

REMINDER

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to

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Monday Evening, October 14

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SCHEDULE OF RELIGIOUS SERVICES

Sukkot Eve, Wednesday Evening, October 9 . . . . . 5:45 P.M.
1st day Sukkot, Thursday Morning, October 10 . . . . . 9:30 A.M.
Kiddush will be served in Sukkah

2nd Eve Sukkot, Thursday Evening, October 10 . . . . . 5:45 P.M.
2nd day Sukkot, Friday Morning, October 11 . . . . . 9:30 A.M.
Kiddush will be served in Sukkah

Friday Evening Services, October 11 . . . . . 5:45 P.M.
Sabbath Morning Services, October 12 . . . . . 9:30 A.M.
Shemini Azeret, Wednesday Evening, October 16 . . . . . 5:45 P.M.
Kiddush will be served in Sukkah

Shemini Azeret, Thursday Morning, October 17 . . . . . 9:30 A.M.
Yizkor Memorial Services

Simhat Torah, Thursday Evening, October 17 . . . . . 5:30 P.M.
Consecration of New Students

Simhat Torah, Friday Morning, October 18 . . . . . 9:30 A.M.
Honoring of Three Congregants
Harry J. Sokolow, Tubie Resnik, Mrs. William Karmiol
Reception after services in Lemberg Auditorium

Friday Evening Services, October 18 . . . . . 5:45 P.M.
Sabbath Morning Services, October 19 . . . . . 9:30 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Richard Danzig
Son of Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Danzig

Friday Evening Services, October 25 . . . . . 5:45 P.M.
Sabbath Morning Services, October 26 . . . . . 9:30 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Gerald Stiebel
Son of Mr. and Mrs. Eric Stiebel

The services will be conducted by Rabbi Judah Nadich and Hazzan David J. Putterman, assisted by the Synagogue Choir with Mr. George Crook at the organ.

Sisterhood Gift Reduces Noise

The Sisterhood of the Park Avenue Synagogue contributed close to two thousand dollars to the installation of the aeoustical ceiling which has made the Lemberg Auditorium a much more pleasant and attractive place in which to hold meetings and parties. This gift constitutes one in a series of many which were made over the years by the Sisterhood, including a fifty thousand dollar contribution to the Steinberg House, which continues to keep Sisterhood in the leading role of a fund raising and social arm of the Synagogue.

The president of the Sisterhood, Mrs. Sol E. Green, at the recent meeting of the Board of Trustees, announced that a thousand dollars worth of equipment is being purchased for the meat kitchen as another gift to the Synagogue.

The decor of the acoustical ceiling was selected by the Arts and Decorations Committee, Ethel Sivek, chairman.

Interested in Dancing?

Want to be in step with the latest dance steps? Join the Dance Class on Wednesday evenings at nine. Learn the Cha-cha, Rhumba and Mambo in ten easy lessons, starting October 23. Only a limited number of couples can be accommodated, so get *your* reservation in now.

The class is sponsored by Sisterhood, and the charge is very nominal—only $35.00 per couple. For reservations or further information, please contact Mrs. David Altschul, 405 East 54 Street, MU 8- 5216.

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Simhat Torah Honors Awarded To Congregants

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to the Torah when the annual cycle of its reading is begun once again with the opening verses of the book of Genesis will be given to Tubie Resnik, chosen as *Hatan Bereshit* (Bridegroom of the Beginning).

Scrolls of Honor, commemorating the distinction awarded them, will be presented to Mr. Sokolow, Mrs. Karmiol and Mr. Resnik by the Hon. Sanford H. Cohen, Mrs. Harry J. Sokolow and Mr. Joseph Howard Katz, respectively.

Immediately following the service the worshippers will be invited to a *kiddush* reception in the Lemberg Auditorium in tribute to the three guests of honor to which all the congregants and their friends are invited. Mr. Joseph Howard Katz, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, has appointed a committee, headed by Mrs. Isidore Hahn, to be in charge of this reception.

HARRY J. SOKOLOW

Harry J. Sokolow serves as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Park Avenue Synagogue and for the past two years has rendered particularly exemplary service as Chairman of the Membership Committee. He has been most energetic in the development and expansion of the dues structure of the congregation. His love for the synagogue and his appreciation of its role in Jewish life goes back a long time and for many years he was president of the Men's Club of Congregation Shaaray Tefila in Far Rockaway.

During those years he was also active in forming the Zionist Organization of the Rockaways. He has made significant contributions to many aspects of Jewish communal life and has served always on the Lawyers Committee for the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies and for the United Jewish Appeal.

A distinguished member of the New York Bar, he graduated from the New York University Law School in 1905.

For his devotion to the synagogue and his service to the community, Mr. Sokolow has been chosen as *Hatan Torah* for *Simhat Torah* 5718.

MRS. WILLIAM KARMIOL

Gertrude (Mrs. William) Karmiol for the past three years served as president of the Sisterhood of the Park Avenue Synagogue. This deserved honor climaxed a record of over twenty years of active and dedicated service with that organization. For many years she served with distinction as its treasurer and before that as recording secretary. In addition, she has been chairman of the Sisterhood Luncheon and the treasurer for its bazaars. Indeed, her service to the cause of the synagogue goes back to the days of her youth, when she did work for the Shaare Tefilah Synagogue in East Orange, New Jersey.

She has been active in other phases of community life as well. She was one of the organizers and the treasurer of the Parents Association of the Hunter Model School and the Hunter High School. For many years she was a member of the previewing committee of the Parents Motion Picture Association. She has also served as co-chairman of the United Jewish Appeal for the Sisterhood. Her student years were spent at New York University.

For her years of untiring service and leadership in the Sisterhood and synagogue, for her zeal and devotion, Mrs. William Karmiol has been named as *Kalah Mafteret* for *Simhat Torah* 5718.

TUBIE RESNIK

Tubie Resnik, prominent industrialist, is among those businessmen who are marked by their recognition of their social and civic responsibilities. His range of philanthropic and civic activities is a wide one and embraces people and causes of all creeds, races and colors. He has rendered signal service to such widespread activities as the United Jewish Appeal, Brandeis University, National Urban League, Salvation Army, Red Cross, March of Dimes, United Negro College Fund, Heart Fund and others of like importance. He is a loyal and devoted member of the Park Avenue Synagogue and a member of its Advisory Council. He has been particularly helpful as a member of the Membership Committee.

It is of interest to note that last year his native city of St. Joseph, Missouri, celebrated Tubie Resnik Day, honoring him as a distinguished native son who has brought credit to the town of his boyhood.

He is widely known in the business world, first for his years of association with McKesson and Robbins, where he climbed the ladder from salesman to Vice-President and, particularly, for his leadership in the Calvert Distillers Company with which he has been associated now for the past eighteen years. He is now the Executive Vice-President of Calvert, heading the entire marketing operation of the company.

For his many-faceted philanthropic and civic activities and for his loyalty to the Park Avenue Synagogue, Mr. Resnik has been selected for the honor of *Hatan Bereshit* for *Simhat Torah* 5718.

Men's Club Presents 10th Annual Election Showcase, October 29

By HARVEY GLASSER

Men's Club 10th Annual Election Showcase and Political Jamboree will take place on Tuesday night, October 29, 1957, at 8:30 P.M., in the Lemberg Auditorium of the Synagogue. This highly successful annual event affords an important forum where political candidates may state the issues as they see them and where members of the Park Avenue Synagogue have an opportunity to meet the candidates face to face.

This year, once again, all the top candidates for city and county-wide elective office will be present that evening.

Democratic candidates for reelection including Mayor Robert F. Wagner, President of the City Council Abe Stark and Borough President of Manhattan Julian Jack, and Comptroller Lawrence E. Gerosa are scheduled to appear. Republican party candidates, Robert Christenberry, Mrs. Caroline Simon and General Melvin L. Krulewitch will also be present. Senator Walter McGahan and several other candidates plan to appear. It promises to be an outstanding evening of political fireworks.

Men's Club cordially invites everyone to attend. The ladies are especially welcome to this open meeting. Appropriate refreshments befitting the occasion will be served.

Coordination for the entire evening's program is under the direction of program committee chairman David Altschul. President Dr. Sigmund Siegel will serve as moderator and introduce the speakers. Remember, the date is Tuesday, October 29.

Judge Botein Slated For Higher Honors

Governor Harriman has affirmed the announcement that appeared in the public press of his intention to appoint Justice Bernard Botein to the post of Presiding Justice of the Appellate Division, First Department.

Justice Botein has served in that Court since 1953, when he was appointed by Governor Thomas E. Dewey, as an Associate Justice of the Appellate Division. He will replace Justice David W. Peck, who will retire at the end of the year.

Originally appointed to the Supreme Court in 1941 by Governor Herbert H. Lehman, Judge Botein was elected to a fourteen-year term in 1942 and re-elected in 1956 by an overwhelming majority, having been designated by all major political parties.

Governor Harriman's announcement of the contemplated appointment has been hailed by the Bar Associations, who have declared that Judge Botein is a "worthy successor" to the retiring Presiding Justice.

We, in the Park Avenue Synagogue, take personal pride in this elevation of one of our active members. Judge Botein has served on our Board of Trustees for many years as well as its chairman. He is now an honorary trustee, having been elected for his outstanding and conspicuous service to the synagogue.

With the Rabbi In the Community

Although Rabbi Nadich has been a member of our community for but a brief period, he has already become active in our communal affairs.

In recent weeks, he has given the invocation at the dinner of the National Conference for Israel Bonds and at the luncheon of the National Committee for Sports in Israel. He has also been appointed to the executive committee of the New York region of the Rabbinical Assembly of America.

An Anonymous Gift

For some time, the chairs which grace the pulpit of our synagogue have been in need of refurbishing. One of our congregants, who attends services quite regularly, and his wife decided that as part of their regular contribution to the synagogue, they would add the cost of reupholstering and refinishing the chairs which decorate the pulpit.

They prefer to remain anonymous and are quite content with the improved appearance of the pulpit as their own private and personal reward.

Gen. Krulewitch Candidate for Borough President

General Melvin L. Krulewitch, a member of the Park Avenue Synagogue for many years, has been designated by the Republican Party as its candidate for President of the Borough of Manhattan. His name will appear on the ballot at the forthcoming election in November.

Candidate

GENERAL MELVIN KRULEWITCH

A former vice-chairman of the Board of Trustees of our Synagogue, Gen. Krulewitch has served on the Board for over ten years. During his affiliation with the Synagogue, he has worked on innumerable committees and was appointed chairman of the newly organized Youth Activities Committee, when the Board of Trustees inaugurated our enlarged youth program.

General Krulewitch is the highest ranking Marine Corps officer in the City of New York, having been appointed Major General of the United States Marine Corps Reserve (Rtd.) about a year ago. He saw combat service in World War I and World War II, as well as in Korea. He is the holder of two Purple Hearts and many medals and ribbons awarded for heroism, meritorious and combat service.

In addition to an active professional and public career, in which he has held many public offices, Gen. Krulewitch has been actively identified with numerous communal activities. Among these are the 92nd Street Y, where he served as a member of the Board of Directors and the National Jewish Welfare Board of which he was a member. He also served as chairman of the New York City Council of the National Jewish Welfare Board and as vice-chairman of the United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York. In 1956, the Jewish Theological Seminary honored General Krulewitch with an award for "his able leadership in mobilizing public interest in the program of the Seminary", and in the same year, the United Jewish Appeal presented him with the Freedom Lamp for his untiring efforts in its behalf. This was the same historic replica which was also bestowed upon President Eisenhower by that organization.

As a dedicated worker, we extend non-partisan wishes to Gen. Krulewitch for success in his forthcoming political campaign.

In Appreciation

We wish to express our gratitude to Mr. Solomon E. Green, our second Vice-President, for his invaluable services in conducting the Sabbath services in the Appleman Chapel during the summer.

Assisted by Cantor Abraham Friedman, Mr. Green, former chairman of our Ritual Committee and a learned Talmudic scholar, gave a professional touch to the services which provoked the most favorable comments.

At a recent meeting of the Board of Trustees, congratulations were extended to Mr. Green for his conscientious and consistent officiation and for the excellent work of Cantor Friedman during the summer months.

Youth Activities News

"News and Views," is a publication issued by the United Synagogue Youth, the teen-age organization of the United Synagogue of America.

Ted Pincus, the editor of this worthwhile publication is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Joseph A. Pincus, members of the Park Avenue Synagogue and a product of our Religious School. He was an active participant in the youth activities of our Congregation and at a recent regional convention of the Metropolitan U. S. Y., he was elected president of the Metropolitan Council.

Cohen Library Re-Opens

On behalf of the Library Committee, I am happy to announce the re-opening of the Cohen Library, which is located on the second floor of the Milton Steinberg House. The library is open Tuesday and Sunday from 10 A.M. to 1 P.M. and on Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday afternoons from 2:45 P.M. to 5:45 P.M.

We are once again offering full lending library facilities, and several hundred adults and children have been issued, and are using, their library cards. I hope that all of you will come and pick up your cards and get acquainted with our books and with our very competent librarian, Mrs. Hilde Kisch.

If you are interested in learning more about some facet of Jewish life—history, philosophy, Israel, music, archeology, poetry, children's books, or the novel—I am sure that Mrs. Kisch can help you to find some worthwhile reading material. The library also subscribes to a number of current American-Jewish magazines which are on display. We, of course, have a complete collection of the books of the late Rabbi Milton Steinberg and are acquiring reprints of many of his magazine articles. We have Jewish encyclopedias and other standard reference works which may be of aid to you.

We have organized this library on the principles that every volume should have some relevance to Jewish life, and that there should be books to arouse the interest of every membr of our Synagogue. Why not visit the library today and see whether we have met your special interest? We would welcome your suggestions for new acquisitions.

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ASA D. SOKOLOW
Chairman, Library Committee

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Religious School News

By MARTIN LEICHTLING, *Principal*

Consecration Service
For New Students

On Thursday evening, October 17, at 5:30 P.M. a Consecration Service will be held in the synagogue to honor the entering class in the Hebrew Department of the Religious School. This special ceremony will be held as part of the Simhat Torah service.

The new students will be presented to the congregation by Mrs. Sigmund Siegel, Charman of the School Board and by the Principal, Martin Leichtling. Rabbi Judah Nadich will bless the students and give each of them a miniature Torah scroll and an inscribed certificate to commemorate the event. The parents of our new students repeat the blessing giving thanks that their children had reached this most significant day in their lives—the beginning of their formal Hebrew education.

Refreshments and holiday flags will be distributed to all the children in the school and in the congregation who attend the service and join in the Processional with the Torah Scrolls.

The following newly-enrolled students in the Hebrew Department will be honored: Narcia Adelson, Nancy Axelrod, Andrew H. Beecher, Robert M. Beecher, Davida Beere, Samuel Blumenthal, Sandra Brevda, Philip Dicker, Joan Fieber, Jacqueline Forster, Jeffrey Glekel, James Goldman, Andrew Granowitz, David Hammer, Nancy Henenfeld, Richard Huttner, Esta Jackel, Jimmy Kahn, Peter Kann, Laurence Kaplan, Caryn Keleman, John Leff, Barbara Levine, Francis Levy, Robert Linn, Douglas Maxwell, David Miller, Robert Nager, Wm. Neulander, Amy Pritz, Michelle Provitch, Carol Rome, Andrew Rosenberg, Don Rosenfield, Stephen Schmidt, Alan Siskin, John Somberg, Andrew-Ross Steigerwald, Mark Swartz, David Swersky, Lawrence Wallack, Jacqueline Wechsler, Peter Zimmerman.

Services

The students of the Religious School will hold Sukkoth Services in the Appleman Chapel on October 10, 11 and 17 at 10:00 A.M.

Mr. Irving Spielman, a student at the Jewish Theological Seminary, will conduct services on each of the festival mornings. He will be assisted by members of the Religious School.

Mr. and Mrs. Club Offers Rewarding Program

By MRS. JEROME S. MITTLEMAN

Describing his relations with President Eisenhower, when he was commander of the armed forces in Europe, Rabbi Nadich initiated a new series of stimulating evenings planned by the Mr. and Mrs. Club. How the General reacted to the problems of the Jews in Europe at the time and why he and General Patton had sharp words were also discussed.

This October meeting in honor of Rabbi Nadich set a high standard that the Club enthusiastically plans to maintain.

Cocktail Party

On Sunday evening, November 10, old friendships will be renewed and new ones made when the Club features its annual cocktail party at the Synagogue. Set this date aside; more details will follow.

Education Panel

"What kind of Education for My Child," a panel discussion moderated by Rabbi Nadich, including representatives of local public, private, and religious schools will be presented on Tuesday evening, December 10. This review is planned in response to an ever growing need and should answer many points in question.

Israeli To Speak

Mordecai Kidron, representing Israel at the U.N., is to honor us on Tuesday, January 14, at 8:30 P.M. with an address. He will always be remembered for his vibrating defense of Israel at the United Nations, and we eagerly await his appearance here. Again, more details will be published.

You Are Invited

These meetings have been planned by the officers and executive committee of the Mr. and Mrs. Club with the intention of offering inspiring programs to all; we invite you to share in these activities. More leading figures and interesting topics are scheduled for the second half of the year.

Here is an opportunity for married couples to join in community activity together. We remind you to set aside Sunday evening, November 10, to join us for our annual Cocktail Party.

The members of the Junior Congregation will visit the Sukkah after the service and partake of the refreshments.

On Simhat Torah morning, October 18, the students are invited to attend the services in the main Synagogue.

Sisterhood Celebrates "Community Day"

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

On Tuesday, October 15, at its second open meeting, Sisterhood will celebrate "Community Day" with a varied program which should be of interest to everyone.

The large, enthusiastic audience, which greeted Rabbi Nadich and Hazzan Putterman, was unanimous in its praise of Sisterhood's first meeting. Can S.P.A.S. top this? The committee, headed by Sisterhood's zealous president, Mrs. Solomon Green, has promised to make this second gathering another outstanding event. Even a more tempting luncheon—and who has forgotten that borscht and those blintzes—has been planned for the October 15 meeting. Once again, Hazzan Putterman will teach us traditional melodies and will lead us in community singing.

Luncheon over, a film, "The Deep Well" will be exhibited on the activities of Federation. Mrs. Sanford H. Cohen, chairman of the Sisterhood committee for the 1957 Federation campaign, and her co-chairman, Mrs. Samuel Gellert, have gone one step further and have arranged a fashion show of hats and furs suitable to be worn at all events on Sisterhood's busy calendar. Millinery by Mary of Porter's and furs by Ted Meistrich, will be modeled by our own charming and attractive ladies, all members of Sisterhood.

All this awaits you on Tuesday, October 15. Do join your friends and spend a very interesting afternoon with Sisterhood.

Federation News

The Women's Division of Federation in its thirty-sixth annual campaign has signally honored the Sisterhood of Park Avenue by awarding to four of its members top key positons on the overall Manhattan Organizations Committee of Federation. Mrs. Harry J. Sokolow is chairman of this important committee, and serving with her are Mrs. Sanford Cohen, Mrs. Isaac Liberman and Mrs. Edward Peiper.

Recently, Mrs. Cohen, P.A.S. Sisterhood chairman for the 1957 Federation campaign, held a very successful workshop meeting at her home. Plans were formulated for this year's appeal, and it is hoped that Sisterhood will once again maintain its usual high place in the Jewish community of New York City.

The 1957 campaign will officially open with an Advanced Gifts Luncheon on October 29. Mrs. Isaac Liberman wishes to call attention to the luncheon scheduled for October 30 at the Waldorf, where an exhibition of outstanding paintings and sculpture of fine artists will be shown. This art exhibit has been loaned to Federation by over one hundred private art collectors. If you are interested in attending this luncheon, please communicate with the Committee.

Sewing Circle Meets Wednesdays

By BELLE GREEN

The Sisterhood Sewing Group will meet every Wednesday, starting Oct. 9, from 10:30 A.M. to 3 P.M. Everyone is invited to participate. You can earn the money for your tickets to the Dec. 4 Brunch and Matinee, by selling, either in the gift shop or privately, your handiwork—made either in the sewing circle or at home.

Orders for sets of maid's serving aprons, collars and cuffs, are now being taken by Mrs. Louis Greenstein, Sa. 2-8808. The workmanship is fine, and the materials of beautiful organdy or eyelet embroidery. Other articles that are being made, as personal fund-raising projects, are table mats, eyeglass cases, decorated canasta trays, tissue boxes, card table covers, etc. You, too, may put your hobby to good use.

Visit our gift shop before and after meetings. Popular items for gifts and personal use include lovely ceremonial objects, and Israeli products. Mrs. A. Stangel, Mrs. M. Heller, and Mrs. A. Siegel are in charge of the gift shop and eager to serve you. Patronize Sisterhood's exciting new venture.

Congratulations

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Platek—birth of their son, Zachary Ira Platek

Condolences

Mrs. Nat Gerber — death of her mother Lizzie Rothenberg

The following will participate in the Fashion Show at the October 15 meeting of Sisterhood

SIMHAT TORAH	October 18	Gertrude Karmiol
MEMBERSHIP TEA AT GREEN'S	October 22	Juliette Levin
FEDERATION LUNCHEON	October 30	Dorothy Gellert
NEW MEMBERS PARTY	November 17	Ann Starr
MATINEE BRUNCH	December 4	Doris Rome
HANUKKAH PARTY	December 22	Winnie Siegel
PURIM PARTY	March 6	Frances Peiper
SISTERHOOD SABBATH	March 7	Irma Heller
U.J.A. DAY AT S.P.A.S.	March 18	Cele Phillips
CONGREGATIONAL SEDER	April 6	Ede Leventhal
CONGREGATIONAL MEETING	May 18	Marian Katz
SISTERHOOD BIRTHDAY PARTY	May 20	Sara Bernstein
SHAVUOTH	May 25	Sylvia Zucker
FRIDAY NIGHT SERVICES	Friday Eve.	Hilda Rose
SATURDAY MORNING SERVICES	Saturday Morning	Muriel Morse
SISTERHOOD MEETINGS		Phyllis Siegel
MOTHER OF THE BRIDE	June Weddings	Adeline Rosen

Fashion Show under the supervision of Mrs. Ted Meistrich; Commentary, in original rhyme, by Mrs. Harry J. Sokolow

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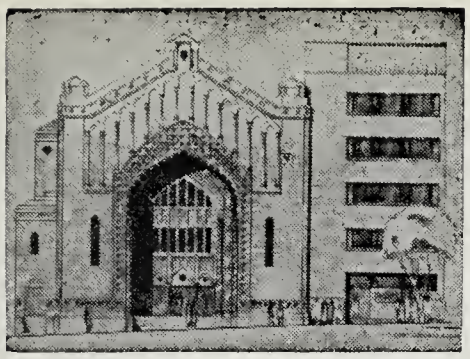

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Dr. Nadich To Be Inducted As Rabbi Of Park Avenue Synagogue During Festive Weekend, Friday and Saturday, November 8 - 9; President Eisenhower Sends Personal Greetings

RABBI JUDAH NADICH

Dr. Judah Nadich, our new spiritual leader, will be formally inducted into the office of Rabbi of Park Avenue Synagogue at the Friday evening services, November 8, 1957, at 8:30 P.M.

Elected at the congregational meeting held last April, Dr. Nadich has officiated as our Rabbi since July and is already known personally to many of our congregants. The Chancellor of the Jewish Theological Seminary, Dr. Louis Finkelstein, a leader in World Jewry and a revered scholar, will be the installing officer. Dr. Finkelstein was the teacher of Rabbi Nadich at the Seminary where he was ordained a Rabbi in 1936.

The installation ceremonies will include an address by Joseph Howard Katz, chairman of the Board of Trustees, who will speak on behalf of the officers, trustees and members of the congregation. The musical portion of the service will be rendered by Hazzan David J. Putterman and the synagogue choir with George Crook at the organ.

Following the services, a reception in honor of Rabbi and Mrs. Nadich will be tendered in the Lemberg Auditorium, to which all are cordially invited.

President Eisenhower has sent personal greetings to Rabbi Nadich on the occasion of his induction, and we are happy to publish his letter in this issue of the BULLETIN. It was President Eisenhower, then the Commanding General of the Allied Forces, who appointed Rabbi Nadich as his personal advisor on Jewish affairs in World War II.

Greetings have also been received from General Walter Bedell Smith, who served as Chief of Staff to General Eisenhower, but who was unable to be present because of illness. General Smith is currently chairman of the American Heritage Foundation and previously served as Under Secretary of State and Ambassador to the Soviet Union. When Rabbi Nadich visited the Nazi concentration camps in occupied Germany, he formed a close friendship with General Smith which has continued after the war.

The induction ceremonies will continue on Saturday morning, November 9 at the Sabbath services when Honorable Simcha Pratt, the new Consul-General of Israel in New York, will speak for the State of Israel. He will represent the Prime Minister, His Excellency, David Ben Gurion, with whom Rabbi Nadich was closely associated after the liberation of the Jews from the concentration camps.

Educated at the University of Basle, Mr. Pratt then attended the University

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SCHEDULE OF RELIGIOUS SERVICES

Friday Evening Service, November 1 . . . . . 6:00 P.M.

Sabbath Morning Services, November 2 . . . . . 9:30 A.M.

Bar Mitzvah of Richard Grossinger
Son of Mr. Paul Grossinger and Mrs. Robert Towers
Rabbi Nadich will preach

Friday Evening Services, November 8 . . . . . 8:30 P.M.

Induction of Rabbi Judah Nadich
Dr. Louis Finkelstein, Installation Officer

Sabbath Morning Services, November 9 . . . . . 9:30 A.M.

Bar Mitzvah of Arnold Goldman
Son of Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Goldman
Honorable Simcha Pratt, Israel Consul General in N. Y., will speak

Friday Evening Services, November 15 . . . . . 8:30 P.M.

Rabbi Nadich will preach

Sabbath Morning Services, November 16 . . . . . 9:30 A.M.

Bar Mitzvah of Bruce Kogan
Son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kogan
Rabbi Nadich will preach

The services will be conducted by Rabbi Judah Nadich and Hazzan David J. Putterman, assisted by the Synagogue Choir with Mr. George Crook at the organ

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Simhat Torah Honors

The joy and gladness of Simhat Torah was somewhat dimmed by the inability of Harry J. Sokolow and Tubie Resnik to attend the festivities because of illness. However, they were ably represented by members of their immediate families, who stood in for them.

Asa D. Sokolow, accepted the Citation for his father, who had been honored as Hatan Torah. The presentation was made to Harry, in absentia, by Hon. Sanford H. Cohen, a former chairman of the Board of Trustees and a close friend of Harry of many years standing. The Citation awarded to Harry J. Sokolow by the Park Avenue Synagogue read: "for the loyalty to his faith, his devoted labors on behalf of his synagogue, his service to the community."

David Trenk, son-in-law of Tubie Resnik, accepted the Citation for his father-in-law, who is still confined to the hospital and who had been honored as Hatan Bereshit. Joseph Howard Katz, chairman of the Board of Trustees, in presenting the Citation to Tubie, in absentia, referred to the honor bestowed upon him last year by his native city, St. Joseph, Missouri, when Tubie Resnik Day was celebrated to honor Tubie as a distinguished native son who had brought credit to his home town. The Citation read as follows: "for his philanthropic activity on behalf of all people, his devotion to the Park Avenue Synagogue, his personification of the Jewish spirit of *tzedakah* in all its aspects."

The honor of Kalah Mafteret, the Bride of the Prophetic Message, was conferred upon Mrs. William Karmiol. Escorted to the Bima by her husband, Gertrude received her Citation from Mrs. Harry J. Sokolow, who spoke of the devoted service rendered by Gertrude as president of Sisterhood for three successive terms and to the Park Avenue Synagogue. The Citation read as follows: "for her active and dedicated service to the Sisterhood and the Congregation of the Park Avenue Synagogue, for her zeal and devotion in the leadership of Jewish women, for her labors for the Jewish people."

A reception was held in the Lemberg Auditorium following the religious services. In all of the jubilation, our thoughts were with you both, Harry and Tubie. Get well soon. Refuoh Shelemoh.

Religious Attendance

During November, which is being observed throughout the nation as Religion in American Life Month, an extensive advertising campaign will be conducted by RIAL in a continued effort to encourage regular attendance at worship service of all churches and synagogues.

RIAL stands for Religion in American Life. It is a non sectarian movement emphasizing the importance of religion in personal and community life and is sponsored by leading representatives of all faiths.

Serving on its Board of Directors are Ben Sack, a member of our Board of Trustees and a former chairman of the Board, Rabbi Morris N. Kertzer, a former associate rabbi of Park Avenue Synagogue and now the Director of Interreligious Activities Division of the American Jewish Committee, and Rabbi Marc Tannenbaum, who assisted at our High Holy Day services, and who is also vice-chairman of RIAL.

"The Empty Pew" is a perennial problem in thousands of churches and synagogues in local communities. Through the medium of advertising and publicity, the contemplated campaign hopes to bring this problem to the attention of the general public. Since the inception of this annual campaign nine years ago by RIAL, there has been a noted upsurge in worship attendance. A recent poll indicated that 51 percent of Americans are now going to their respective houses of worship regularly.

The theme of the campaign is "Find the Strength for Your Life—Worship Together This Week." Let us hope that the members of the Park Avenue Synagogue will become active participants in this religious resurgence. Let "The Empty Pew" become a thing of the past. Let us resolve to attend Sabbath Services regularly, if not every week, then every other week, or at least once a month. In our synagogue, we can find the strength and courage to meet the anxieties and fears that confront us in these troublesome times. N.R.

Sisterhood's Brunch And Gala Musical "Rumple"

By DOROTHY SOKOLOW

December 4, 1957 is approaching very quickly when it is hoped that all our loyal Sisterhood members and their friends will join us at our annual brunch at the Hotel Sheraton Astor and then to see "Rumple", the musical comedy.

Chosen as the play for this year, "Rumple" was greeted in Boston in a gay holiday mood and was accepted by the audience with warmth and an ovation at the close. If you remember Gretchen Wyler as she sang "Lola" in "Damned Yankees", you will have a treat in store when you hear her sing "Coax Me". The music is being played by the disc jockeys and it is predicted that all the songs will be very popular.

The cast, in addition to Gretchen Wyler, includes Eddie Foy, Jr., Stephen Douglas and Lois O'Brien.

Since we have adopted the policy of seats in the order of reservation, it is hoped that the membership will adhere to it and make their reservations at once to assure good seats. Why not be one of the lucky ones, who may win the diamond and pearl pin, or receive many of the gifts that will be presented to our guests?

This is the sixty-second anniversary of Sisterhood and we want all our members and their friends to join us on December 4 as we commemorate a year's effort in a gay holiday mood.

Calling All College Students

One of the problems confronting many congregations is that of maintaining contact with the younger members of their congregational families after they have left the city to attend out-of-town colleges.

We would like to keep in touch with these students and they too, undoubtedly would be interested in the activities of Park Avenue Synagogue through the medium of the BULLETIN.

Rabbi Nadich has suggested that those members of our congregational families who have students attending college or graduate school away from home, send us their names and college addresses. Will you please furnish this information to the synagogue office?

Personal Greetings From President Eisenhower

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

Newport, Rhode Island,
September 13, 1957.

Dear Rabbi Nadich:

First, I want to extend my warm congratulations to you on your designation as Rabbi of the Park Avenue Synagogue. I hope you will enjoy your new assignment, and I am sure your congregation will derive much benefit from your wisdom and understanding.

I am, of course, complimented by your invitation to attend the ceremonies of your induction, on Friday evening, November eighth. It so happens that I have already tentatively accepted two engagements for that day, both involving informal talks. The second one is late in the afternoon, near my Gettysburg home. In view of this rather rugged schedule for that date, I must reluctantly decline your cordial suggestion.

This note brings you my very best wishes for the future, and warm regard,

Sincerely,

Dwight D. Eisenhower

Rabbi Judah Nadich,
Park Avenue Synagogue,
50 East 87th Street,
New York 28, New York.

Induction Services of Rabbi Judah Nadich

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of London, where he obtained his law degree in 1934. Mr. Pratt settled in Tel Aviv where he practiced law until he joined the Israeli Foreign Service. He also served as a member of the Haganah and later joined the Israel Defense Army and participated in the defense of Tel Aviv, receiving serious injuries in combat in June 1948. Prior to his appointment as Consul General in New York this year, he had held the post of Israeli Consul General in Chicago.

Concluding the services on Saturday, a Kiddush will be held in the Lemberg Auditorium and all worshippers are welcome.

Rabbi Nadich received his B.A. degree with Phi Beta Kappa honors at the College of the City of New York. He continued his education at Columbia University from which he was graduated with a Master of Arts degree. Upon his ordination from the Seminary in 1936, he was awarded the degree of Master of Hebrew Literature. In 1953, the Seminary conferred upon Rabbi Nadich the degree of Doctor of Hebrew Literature.

During World War II, Rabbi Nadich was the first American Jewish Chaplain to be ordered overseas. He served in the European Theatre of Operation from 1942 until November 1945. He was decorated by the French Government with the Croix de Geurre and by the British Government with the Order of the British Empire. Pope Pius XII also awarded him a medal for services rendered to Catholic Chaplains and the American Government honored Rabbi Nadich with several decorations. When he was placed on inactive service in the Officers Reserve Corps in 1946, Rabbi Nadich had reached the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel.

Prior to his war service, Rabbi Nadich served as Rabbi of Temple Beth David until 1940, when he accepted a call to serve as co-rabbi of the Anshe Emet Synagogue in Chicago. His most recent pulpit was the Congregation Kehillath Israel in Brookline, Massachusetts, the largest Conservative Congregation in New England, which he occupied for ten years, since 1947.

After returning to the United States, Rabbi Nadich was engaged in an extensive speaking tour on behalf of the United Jewish Appeal and in that capacity, he visited sixty-two cities throughout the United States. In the course of that tour, he inspected DP camps in Europe for the Joint Distribution Committee, and flew to South Africa at the request of the South African Jewish War Appeal for a speaking tour of that country.

In addition to serving on numerous religious, communal and civic welfare Boards, either as a member or as chairman, Rabbi Nadich has contributed many articles which have appeared in Hadoar, Congress Weekly, Jewish Advocate and the American Zionist. His brochure on Yom Kippur, written especially for Jewish men and women in the Armed Forces, has been widely distributed. Prayers written by him have been published in the popular book, "A Minute of Prayer." He also edited for publication in Israel, a Hebrew volume of scholarly essays by the late Prof. Louis Ginzberg, and is the author of the book titled, "Eisenhower and the Jews."

His wife, the former Hadassah Ribalow, was the first woman to serve as executive secretary of the Rabbinical Assembly of America, the national organization of Conservative rabbis. The Rabbi, his wife, and their three daughters have already become endeared in the hearts of our congregation.

I. M. Cohen Honored At Testimonial Dinner

A large number of members of the Park Avenue Synagogue and other friends of Isidore M. Cohen, a member of our Board of Trustees, gathered to pay him tribute at a testimonial dinner held October 14. It was fitting that the function was held in the Lemberg Auditorium of the Milton Steinberg House, because it was I. M. Cohen, as one of the co-chairman of the Milton Steinberg Memorial Fund, who played such an important part in the construction of that memorial to our late Rabbi Milton Steinberg.

The testimonial to our guest of honor was in behalf of the Jewish Theological Seminary. It also marked the joyous occasion of his 60th birthday. Milton Weill, former president of Federation and an honorary member of our Board of Trustees, was toastmaster. Together with Samuel Lemberg, he also served as co-chairman of the dinner committee.

During the evening, the cast from the Eternal Light program, presented "A Lawyer from Boston", a sketch dealing with an incident in the life of Louis D. Brandeis. The production was under the direction of Ralph Bell and the liturgical introduction to the program was rendered by Hazzan Putterman.

Rabbi Nadich, in paying tribute to I. M. Cohen, referred to our guest as a successful business man who had "achieved leadership in the business world but who would rather be known for his concern about the Synagogue, Jewish learning and Torah." All facets of these have been the generous recipients of Mr. Cohen's beneficence. The Cohen Library in the Milton Steinberg House is the result of the bounty and generosity of Issy and his father.

But close to his heart is the Jewish Theological Seminary and Issy's willingness to accept this testimonial is evidence of his deep concern about Jewish learning and Torah. Professor Louis Finkelstein, Chancellor of the Seminary, was one of the speakers and pronounced the traditional blessing upon our guest of honor. Rabbi Judah Goldin. Dean of the Teachers Institute at the Seminary, spoke of the many activities of the Seminary which he referred to as the "only institution of Jewish learning where research is of an authentic character."

Joseph Howard Katz, chairman of our Board of Trustees, also spoke and presented our guest of honor with a certificate of appreciation on behalf of the Park Avenue Synagogue "as a symbol of gratitude for the devoted service he has given the community in advancing the cause of the religious and cultural traditions of Judaism and for his able leadership in mobilizing public interest in the program of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America."

Mr. & Mrs. Club to Hold Cocktail Party

By MRS. JEROME S. MITTLEMAN

Rabbi Comments

"Forming lasting friendships is itself enough of a purpose for the Mr. and Mrs. Club," commented Rabbi Judah Nadich at our last monthly meeting. While he recognized this as but one of the reasons for being of the Club, it remains a prime objective.

Cocktail Party

On Sunday afternoon, November 10, at 5:30 o'clock, the Mr. and Mrs. Club is to hold its Annual Cocktail Party at the Synagogue. It offers an opportunity to make new friends and greet old ones, and it is the desire of the Club to entertain as many of its friends as who care to join in the afternoon's activity.

To members of the congregation and their friends, the Mr. and Mrs. Club earnestly extends a most cordial invitation to join in making this an even more enjoyable and pleasant afternoon. Come and be one of us on Sunday, November 10, at 5:30 P.M.

New York Law School Honors General Goldstein

Recently, the New York Law School honored Nathaniel L. Goldstein, former Attorney General of the State of New York, by conferring upon him an honorary degree of Doctor of Laws, in recognition of his "pre-eminent personal attainments and distinguished public service."

General Goldstein, who has been a member of the Park Avenue Synagogue for many years, has been identified with Jewish communal affairs in almost every field of activity. As chairman of the Board of Overseers of the Albert Einstein College of Medicine of Yeshiva University, General Goldstein has played an important part in the development of that great institution of learning.

We are proud to join the community in extending our congratulations to such a dedicated public and communal servant.

New Books Received For Cohen Library

By HILDE KISCH, *Librarian*

On September 19 The Cohen Library reopened, again making its improved facilities available to its readers, adults as well as children. Our stock of books, covering all areas of Jewish knowledge, has been supplemented with carefully selected recent publications in all fields.

To mention only a few new additions to the various sections: There is Lionello Venturi's biographical and critical study of *Chagall*, lavishly gotten up, with excellent reproductions of the artist's paintings; Abba Eban's book, *Voice of Israel*, an eloquent chronicle of a new nation from birth to maturity by one of its foremost statesmen; Eliahu Elath's *Israel and Her Neighbors*, in which the Israeli Ambassador to the Court of St. James's describes his state's relationship to the other middle eastern countries. The new acquisitions also include Robert Henriques' *Hundred Hours to Suez*, the inside story of the Sinai campaign; such novels as Meyer Levin's *Compulsion* and Ilse Stanley's *The Unforgotten*. Eddie Cantor's autobiography, *Take My Life*, retraces the steps that brought him from New York's lower East Side into the glow of the footlights and fame. Very instructive and useful are Bernard Bamberger's *Story of Judaism* and selected writings by Samson Raphael Hirsch in *Judaism Eternal*. The crucial questions of prejudice and hatred as they affect races, religions, and nationalities are treated in *Race and Nationality in American Life* by Oscar Handlin, the Pulitzer prize winning historian. The three latest volumes of *A Social and Religious History of the Jews* by Salo W. Baron dealing with the Middle Ages are also available.

Morover, the Library now has a magazine section with such journals as *Commentary*, *Midstream*, *Judaism*, *Congress Weekly* and *The Reconstructionist*. All members of the Congregation are cordially invited to come and to make use of its facilities. The librarian will gladly introduce new readers to the catalogue and give them all pertinent information.

Library hours are Monday, Wednesday, Thursday—2:45 P.M. to 5:45 P.M. Sunday, Tuesday—10 A.M. to 1 P.M.

Parents Association

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

The Parents Association opened its current season with a luncheon on Monday, October 28, for mothers of all children entering the Religious School for the first time.

Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer, president of the Association, greeted the mothers and outlined the aims of the group and the opportunities for participation in its many activities. Rabbi Nadich spoke of the role of parents in relation to the Synagogue and to the Religious School. The curriculum and many interesting facts concerning the school were discussed by Martin Leichtling, the school principal. Hazzan Putterman taught the ladies the appropriate prayer for kindling the Sabbath candles, one of the most beautiful of all Jewish customs.

Mrs. Hector Ritey, chairman of the luncheon, was assisted by Mrs. Sam Deutsch, Mrs. Jack Kurzweil, Mrs. Nelson Ruttenberg, Mrs. Albert Siegel, Mrs. Nathan Somberg and Mrs. Sam Wick. The beautiful luncheon table was the creative artistry of Mrs. A. Stangel.

Book Fair

Once again, The Parents Association will sponsor the annual Book Fair which will open in the Milton Steinberg House on Sunday morning, November 17, and will continue through November 20, the evening of the open meeting.

Mrs. Leon Klein, who has successfully conducted the Book Fair for several years, will again be chairman of this event. She will be assisted by Mrs. Franklin Bergmann, Mrs. Bruno Foa, Mrs. Paul Miller, Mrs. Adolph Stangel, Mrs. Charles Weisberg, Mrs. Sam Wick and Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer. There will be a fine exhibit of the latest books on Jewish life and thought, as well as records of Jewish music. Here is a splendid opportunity to purchase worthwhile gifts, appropriate for the holiday season.

Open Meeting

The first open meeting of the Parents Group will take place Wednesday evening, November 20, at 8:15 P.M. At this orientation meeting, Mr. Martin Leichtling, the principal of the school, and the teachers, will be present to meet the parents and to confer with them. Rabbi Nadich, our guest speaker, will have many interesting objectives to present to the parents.

Refreshments and a social hour will conclude the meeting. Mrs. Nathan Somberg will be chairman of hospitality and, as always, Mrs. A. Stangel will be chairman of decoration.

UPTA Annual Meeting

Recently, our Parents Association was very happy to act as hostesses to the United Parent-Teachers Association of Jewish Schools on the occasion of its annual meeting and election of officers. After the meeting, members of the Parents Association served refreshments to their guests.

Adult Education Series Underway

By HOWARD KIEVAL

The 1957-58 Adult Education Program began most auspiciously this past Monday evening, October 28th. More than three hundred people were present at the first of fifteen weeks of sessions, it was announced by Sidney J. Silberman, Chairman of the Adult Education Committee.

The Adult Education Committee which had met with Rabbi Nadich and Hazzan Putterman during the summer and early fall, has planned a notable program for the year, including an innovation in the teaching of Hebrew to beginners.

The Major Lecture Series, which commences at 9 P.M. each Monday evening, and will run for a total of fifteen weeks, will feature the theme "Great Ages and Ideas of the Jewish People."

Based on the recent fine book of the same name by Leo Schwarz, the course was opened by Mr. Schwarz himself last Monday evening. In his presentation Mr. Schwarz developed the framework of the entire course of Jewish history to date. He indicated to his audience the highlights which will be covered by succeeding lecturers.

Rabbi Judah Nadich will serve as the Chairman and discussion leader of the Series.

Among the lecturers will be Dr. Moshe Greenberg of the University of Pennsylvania; Dr. Morton Smith of Columbia University, Rabbi David Weiss and Dr. Abraham Halkin of the Faculty of the Jewish Theological Seminary; and Dr. Salo W. Baron, Director of Jewish Studies at Columbia University.

Rabbi Nadich will close the series with a presentation entitled: "Retrospect and Prospect."

The earlier classes, commencing at 8:00 P.M. each Monday evening, will feature a most interesting selection.

A new method of Hebrew teaching to beginners will be offered for the first time at the Park Avenue Synagogue under the direction of Mr. Reuben Singer, who has been especially trained in the method. The students will use films and records as their "textbooks."

A fifteen session course in conversational Hebrew will be offered to more advanced students.

Hazzan Putterman will offer two courses during the year. The first, for eight sessions, will cover the Sabbath Prayer Book. It will offer an interpretation and analysis of the prayers themselves in order to facilitate "following" the service as it actually takes place each Sabbath. The second course, for seven weeks, commencing early in 1958, will offer the men in the congregation an opportunity to learn the simple liturgical chants for the various blessings for those called up to the reading of the Torah and Haftorah.

The courses will all be offered in the Milton Steinberg House of the Synagogue, as noted above. Registration for the courses is free to members of the Congregation. Non-members are also invited; they will be required to pay a registration fee of $3. per person ($5. per couple). Mrs. Arthur Morse is in charge of the Registrars' group, which will be available each Monday evening.

Men's Club To Welcome Rabbi Nadich Nov. 26

By HARVEY GLASSER

Rabbi Judah Nadich will be the guest of honor and principal speaker at Men's Club's meeting on Tuesday evening, November 26, at 8:30 P.M., in the Lemberg Auditorium of the Synagogue.

The Rabbi will be formally introduced and presented to the members of Men's Club and enrolled as an honorary member. At this meeting, new members of Men's Club will also be introduced and enrolled as members. We are looking forward to greeting Rabbi Nadich and welcoming a goodly number of new members.

At its October meeting, the Board of Directors of Men's Club took official recognition of the fact that Men's Club is now ten years old. A resolution was adopted calling for a suitable celebration.

Plans were initiated for a gala social event to be held in the spring. Watch the BULLETIN for an important notice in the near future announcing the details.

Sisterhood's Open Meeting, November 19

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

The next open meeting of Sisterhood which will be held Tuesday, November 19, will be devoted to a celebration of Jewish Book Month. The guest speaker, Mr. Leo W. Schwarz, recognized as an outstanding author, critic and historian, will discuss "Experiences with Books and Writers."

A native New Yorker, Mr. Schwarz was educated at Harvard where he excelled as a scholar. During World War II, he saw combat service in General Patton's Third Army and won a field commission in the Normandy campaign. Since then, he has made his mark as an author, critic and lecturer.

Among his many books, perhaps he is best known for "Where Hope Lies", which clearly identifies him as a social and political analyst. His newest book, "Feast of Leviathan: Tales of Adventure, Faith and Love from Jewish Literature", has won him highest praise. In "The Root and the Bough", and in "The Redeemers", Mr. Schwarz has skillfully recorded his Jewish experiences in Europe during the 1940's and 1950's.

In the field of history, Mr. Schwarz has been acclaimed for his "Great Ages and Ideas of the Jewish People." In commenting on his "Memoirs of My People", the Saturday Review called it "A most wonderful collection of autobiographical tales—a rich and luscious portrait gallery of a people."

Sisterhood has been fortnuate in securing this brilliant speaker, who is considered a foremost authority on Jewish literature and Jewish history.

Mrs. Samuel Wimpfheimer, a former president of Sisterhood, will be chairman of this meeting. As usual, luncheon will be served at noon and, following this, Hazzan Putterman will lead us in singing several traditional melodies.

At the Fashion Show presented at Sisterhood's last meeting, several substitutions were made too late for the BULLETIN. The following also acted as models: Lucille Lemberg, Helen Wimpfheimer and Lillian Bennet, all members of Sisterhood.

Tea for New Members

Henry James once said that there are few hours in life more agrceable than the hour dedicated to the ceremony known as afternoon tea. To the truth of this statement, all those who attended the musicale and tea on October 22, at the charming home of Mrs. Sol Green, president of Sisterhood, will agree.

The guests included the wives of new members of the Synagogue, officers of Sisterhood, Rabbi and Mrs. Nadich and Hazzan Putterman. What Sisterhood can mean to the members and to the Synagogue was the theme of Rabbi Nadich's informative talk. Edith Gordon, well known singer, charmed everyone with her interpretation of several songs. Mrs. William Karmiol spoke briefly on membership of which she is chairman, and Mrs. Ben Sack, urged the ladies to attend Sisterhood's annual brunch and matinee on December 4.

To encourage participation in Sisterhood's activities, the wives of new members are cordially invited to join Sisterhood without the payment of any dues for the first year.

Mrs. Green, as always was a most gracious hostess, and her guests reported "a perfectly wonderful time."

Sukkot Festival

By HELENE HAHN

Our forefathers in ancient days celebrated Sukkot as a Harvest Festival or the "Feast of Ingathering" and gave thanks to God for the bounties which he bestowed upon the land.

This year as in the days of old, the Park Avenue Synagogue celebrated in its own beautiful Sukkah, atop the Milton Steinberg House. From all accounts, ours was a Sukkah of beauty and a joy to behold; a harvest of the joint efforts of many women.

Under the chairmanship of Mrs. Isidor Hahn and the co-chairmanship of Mrs. Joseph Pincus and Mrs. Jack Kurzweil, the following ladies made great contribution towards the construction and decoration of our Sukkah, as well as the serving of the Kiddush after services: Mrs. Herbert Berger, Mrs. Michael Borish, Mrs. Bruno Foa, Mrs. Paul Brunschwig, Mrs. Sam Gellert, Mrs. Robert Gilbert, Mrs. Louis Greenstein, Mrs. Milton Heller, Mrs. L. Hershef, Mrs. Alfred Lubeck, Mrs. Leon Pordy, Mrs. Dina Rosenbach, Mrs. Charles Weisberg, Mrs. Sam Wick, Mrs. Harry Zucker and Mrs. Mortimer Milheiser.

In Appreciation

Not everyone is aware that the behind-the-scene activity of the Ushering Committee is responsible for much of the smooth functioning of the religious services and ceremonies held at the Synagogue. This was very much in evidence during the recent High Holy Days. ,

The ability of the ushers to preserve order and maintain decorum enabled all the congregants to enjoy the full beauty of the religious services.

Here is the committee who made this possible: David Altschul, chairman; Dr. Harry Neivert, co-chairman; Frederick S. Berman, Harry Dubin, Emil Forster, Milton Heller, Julian Jacobs, Edward Kaye, Leon Klein, Theodore Meistrich, Albert Siegel, Milton M. Sivek, Dr. Samuel J. Stern and Robert Witte.

Our thanks and appreciation to all of them for a difficult job well done and diplomatically executed.

Congratulations

To the great grandfather Mr. Abe Liebovitz and to the grandparents Dr. and Mrs. Milton Helpern upon the birth of Vicki Hannah Nightingale.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Klein upon their wedding anniversary—October 25

Mr. Abe Liebovitz upon his 79th Birthday

Condolences

To Mrs. Gussie Winkelman—death of husband Louis Winkelman

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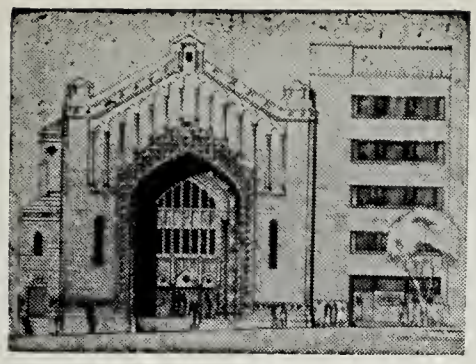

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LAST CALL
14 Days Left For
SISTERHOOD
BRUNCH AND MATINEE
Wednesday, Dec. 4, 1957
Hotel Sheraton Astor
At 11:30 A.M.
"RUMPLE"
Alvin Theatre at 2:30 P.M.

Sisterhood Party; Dec. 4

By Dorothy Sokolow

Only fourteen days left for Sisterhood's Brunch and Matinee.

Your Committee has been working all year to make this a warm, friendly party so that the 600, who will attend, shall feel in a gay holiday mood, as together we celebrate the Sixty-Second Birthday of Sisterhood at luncheon in the Hotel Sheraton Astor and then to see the musical "Rumple" at the Alvin Theatre.

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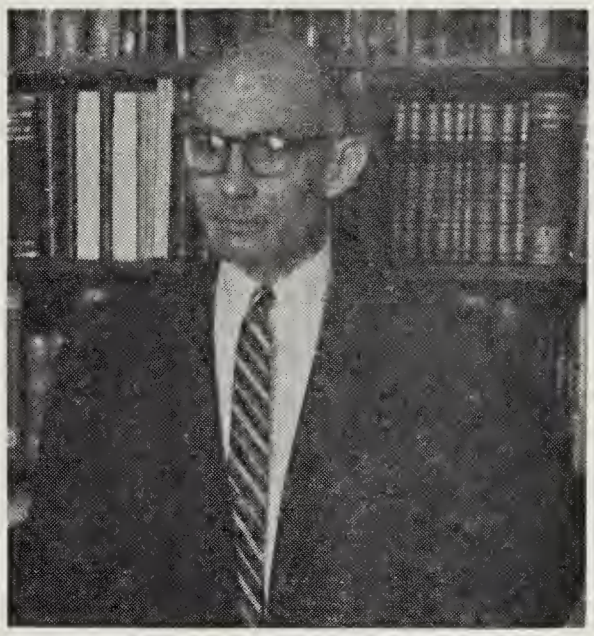
Adult Education Courses Well Attended

By Howard Kieval

Dr. Morton Smith, Assistant Professor of Ancient History at Columbia University was the lecturer in the Major Series of the Adult Education program. Dr. Smith, who is an expert on Jewish History, spoke on the Hellenistic Age on November 18 and will speak again on the same subject November 25, in the Lemberg Auditorium of the Milton Steinberg House.



DR. MORTON SMITH

Although quite a young man, Dr. Smith has a most distinguished reputation as a scholar of early Judaism and the beginnings of the Christian era. He holds a Doctor of Philosophy degree from the Hebrew University in Jerusalem for a treatise which compared certain aspects of the Christian gospels to Jewish traditional literature. Dr. Smith also holds a Doctorate in Theology from Harvard University. He has been awarded both Guggenheim and Fulbright Fellowships, and taught at Brown, Drew, and Harvard Universities before coming to Columbia.

The Hellenistic age represents a high point in the early intellectual flowering of the Jewish people. The impact of Greek liberal philosophy produced many interesting strains in the Jewish thought of that day, both sacred and secular. The conflict of ideas also heralded in a sense the later decay of the Jewish state in Palestine, because the issues were never fully resolved.

Members of the congregation may recall that Rabbi Milton Steinberg's novel "As A Driven Leaf" dealt with this specific period. The story of Rabbi Akiba, Elisha ben Abuyah, and others was both literal and fictional, and gives a most vivid portrayal of life and times in Palestine of the Second and Third Century.

The following two lectures of this series will be given on December 2 and December 9 by Rabbi David Weiss, Instructor of Talmud of the Jewish Theological Seminary. He will discuss "The Talmudic Age".

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SCHEDULE OF RELIGIOUS SERVICES

Friday Evening Services, November 22 . . . . . 8:30 P.M.
Rabbi Nadich will preach
"What about the Judaeo-Christian Outlook?"

Saturday Morning Services, November 23 . . . . . 9:30 A.M.
Rabbi Nadich will preach

Friday Evening Services, November 29 . . . . . 8:30 P.M.
Rabbi Nadich will preach
"Giving Thanks — An Empty Gesture?"

Saturday Morning Services, November 30 . . . . . 9:30 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Donald Bachman
Son of Dr. and Mrs. Arnold Bachman
Rabbi Nadich will preach

Friday Evening Services, December 6 . . . . . 8:30 P.M.
Rabbi Nadich will preach

Saturday Morning Services,, December 7 . . . . . 9:30 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Gerald Miller
Son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Miller
Rabbi Nadich will preach

The Services will be conducted by Rabbi Judah Nadich
and Hazzan David J. Putterman, assisted by the Synagogue Choir
with Mr. George Crook at the organ

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Park Avenue Synagogue Welcomes Rabbi Nadich

Friday evening, November 8, 1957 will be a night long to be remembered in the annals of our synagogue history. Despite the inclement weather, a tremendous crowd gathered at our synagogue to attend the inducton of Rabbi Nadich as Rabbi of Park Avenue Syna gogue.

Although Rabbi Nadich has served as our spiritual leader since last July, the formal induction ceremony was an occasion for the entire community to participate with us in paying him our respect. Representatives from many adjoining synagogues, temples, and churches were present or sent greetings and congratulations. Truly, this was a memorable event.

Mr. Joseph Howard Katz, chairman of our Board of Trustees, in welcoming Rabbi Nadich to our "hallowed pulpit", referred to the pledge he made more than a year ago, when he was installed as chairman of the Board. At that time he said, that the first order of business of his administration would be to bring to our pulpit,

> "one who, in our judgment, possesses the erudition and the eloquence to spark our religious services and educational programs, and who will spiritually lead and wisely guide those who require pastoral leadership, a man of whom we can be proud."

Thanks to the efforts of our Pulpit Committee, our Board of Trustees and the wise judgment of the members of our congregation, this has been made possible by the election of Rabbi Nadich as our spiritual leader.

Dr. Louis Finkelstein, Chancellor of the Jewish Theological Seminary, from which Rabbi Nadich was ordained and later received his Doctorate Degree, was the installing officer and main speaker. Almost three decades ago, he performed a similar function when he officiated at the induction of our late Rabbi Milton Steinberg, who had previously occupied our pulpit. Dr. Finkelstein stressed the need of giving our children a moral education so necessary for them to adequately meet the complex problems confronting our present civilization. Prayers, he pointed out, express great spiritual values but our difficulty is that we do not fully understand them.

Rabbi Nadich, in acknowledging the great honor conferred upon him in being selected to serve as the spiritual leader of the Park Avenue Synagogue, which he described as "a pre-eminent congregation in this country, giving leadership not only to the community but also to American Judaism", expressed his humility in occupying the pulpit "ministered to for almost two decades by the brilliant and illustrious Milton Steinberg." In the course of his remarks, Rabbi Nadich spoke of the "space age" in which we are now living and the possibility of "utter destruction", we are facing today. All of this, he said, places an additional responsibility upon religious leaders and teachers. The great need for mankind in this scientific age is to learn to live together. That is where "religion can help us achieve that end."

At the conclusion of the services, Hazzan David J. Putterman chanted the three fold benediction and invoked God's blessing upon Rabbi Nadich on behalf of the members of the congregation. Following the services, a reception was held in the Lemberg Auditorium and the guests were afforded an opportunity to personally meet Rabbi and Mrs. Nadich.

Among those present, were the Rabbi's father, his sisters and other members of his family and several of his old friends from Kehillath Israel Congregation, Brookline, Mass., where Rabbi Nadich served for ten years prior to coming to the Park Avenue Synagogue.

At the following Sabbath morning service, the festivities continued with an address by Honorable Simcha Pratt, the Consul General of the State of Israel in New York. In discussing the creation of the State of Israel, Mr. Pratt referred to the magnificent efforts of Rabbi Nadich immediately following World War II, in helping to secure the release of many Jews from the concentration camps in occupied Nazi Europe and the DP camps.

The full story of the important contribution made by Rabbi Nadich, said Mr. Pratt, has not yet been told; neither does Rabbi Nadich's book "Eisenhower and the Jews" fully disclose the part played by Rabbi Nadich in this historical event. In the words of Mr. Pratt, "only modesty of the author" prevented him from portraying his true role in this tragic episode of Jewish history.

To those of us who know Rabbi Nadich, all of these virtues are understandable. Yes, this was a joyous occasion and we are proud of our Rabbi, Judah Nadich.

Religion In Public Schools

Once again the problem confronts us regarding the attitude of our children in the public schools as to their participation in the religious celebrations that take place this time of year.

The New York Board of Rabbis, an association of Orthodox, Conservative and Reform Rabbis in New York and vicinity, takes the position that such religious celebrations are not in keeping with the true spirit of religious equality which the public schools symbolize and in conflict with the Constitution of the United States, which requires the sep-separation of church and state.

It is the opinion of the New York Board of Rabbis that it is improper to conduct such celebrations in the public schools or that Jewish children should participate in them, as it develops a sense of conflict and confusion in the minds of such Jewish children.

Parents are requested by the New York Board of Rabbis to provide their children with a positive substitute for this non-Jewish celebration. They should emphasize and dramatize the Festival of Hanukkah and provide their homes with handsome Menorahs to kindle the lights on the eight days of Hanukkah. The presentation of Hanukkah gifts and the arranging of Hanukkah parties will produce the wholesome results of a happy family and group loyalty and heightened self-respect and self-confidence.

As stated by the New York Board of Rabbis: "This display of loyalty to and pride in our religious tradition will earn for ourselves more gentile good will" than our participation in their religious celebrations.

—N. R.

Sisterhood Theatre Party

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The surprises planned for you will tell you how many hands have made light work of the combined efforts of the many people on the Committee. When you enter the Grand Ballroom and you see what has been arranged in color, design, table decorations and the many table prizes, you will feel amply rewarded for having participated.

Only a short program is being planned. Hazzan David J. Putterman will sing the National Anthems. There will be brief messages from the president of sisterhood, the luncheon chairman, and from Rabbi Nadich, after which we shall draw for the diamond and pearl pin—and then in a gay Holiday mood proceed to the theatre. If you have not made your reservation, may we "Coax You," as Gretchen Wyler sings in "Rumple", to join us NOW. Your participation on this exciting day will serve a two-fold purpose; an opportunity to join with all your Sisterhood friends in creating a happy mood, and to help us meet our obligations to our synagogue and maintain our honored place in the community.

Mrs. Benjamin Sack, and Mrs. Edward Peiper, Chairman and Co-Chairman of the Luncheon are happily looking forward to greeting you all on December 4.

Mr. and Mrs. Club Cocktail Party

By Mrs. JEROME S. MITTELMAN

Dr. Leon Pordy, President of the Mr. and Mrs. Club wishes to welcome the new members who attended our annual Cocktail Party.

The club is indebted for its congenial afternoon to its chairlady of the party, Rose Krones, who was assisted by Lucille Stoltz, Ruth Porday, Ramie Silbert and others.

Those who could not come to the party are reminded of and are invited to attend the open School Forum on Tuesday, December 10, at 8:30 P.M.

Dr. Sigmund Siegel Elected To Advisory Council

To round out the requisite number of twenty-five persons eligible to serve on the Advisory Council, a recent meeting of the Board of Trustees selected Dr. Sigmund I. Siegel to that position.

Dr. Siegel is now the president of the Men's Club of Park Avenue Synagogue.

New Members Welcomed

The Board of Trustees and the Officers of the Park Avenue Synagogue tendered a reception on Sunday, November 17 to the large host of families who have joined our synagogue this year.

Present at the reception in addition to the Board of Trustees, the Officers of the synagogue and the Advisory Council were Rabbi and Mrs. Judah Nadich, Hazzan David J. Putterman, Cantor and Mrs. Abraham Friedman, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Leichtling, Mr. Hy Sankel our youth director and our executive director Sidney R. Katz and his wife.

The party was marked by a lack of formality and a great deal of cordiality. The new members as they arrived were greeted by various hosts and hostesses and were introduced to the members of the Board, the Advisory Council and to the various members of the synagogue staff as well as to each other.

The committee in charge of the party was headed by Mrs. Jacob Starr, who was ably assisted by a group consisting of Mrs. Ezra Cohen, Mrs. Sanford Cohen, Mrs. Sol Green, Mrs. Abraham Geller, Mrs. Saul Godwin, Mrs. Milton Helpern, Mrs. Joseph Howard Katz, Mrs. Jacob Klein, Mrs. Samuel Lemberg, Mrs. Nelson Ruttenberg, Mrs. Ben Sack, Mrs. Sigmund Siegel, Mrs. Asa D. Sokolow, Mrs. Harry J. Sokolow, and Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer.

The new members who joined the synagogue this year and most of whom attended the party were: Dr. and Mrs. Abraham Appel, Miss Rita Askenas, Dr. and Mrs. Arnold Bachman, Mr. Oscar C. Balamut, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Barth, Mr. and Mrs. John Bauer, Mr. and Ms. Paul Bercu, Mr. and Mrs. Irwin Block, Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Blum, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Boriss, Dr. and Mrs. Keeve Brodman, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Cats, Mr. Joseph E. Cohen, Mr. and Mrs. Mortimer Edelstein, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest M. Einiger, Mr. Max Elkon, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Fein, Mrs. Dora Feinberg, Mr. and Mrs. Irving Flachs, Dr. and Mrs. Alexander S. Forster, Mrs. Cecilia Frankel, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Gelardin, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Gerrish, Mrs. Grace Gilbert, Mrs. Claire Gins, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Ginsberg, Mr. Richard Glickman, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Goldfarb, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Goldfarb, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gottlieb, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Grunther, Mr. and Mrs. Irving Gulack, Mrs. Julius Jarcho, Mr. Arthur

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Sisterhood News

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

Those who were present at the November 19 meeting of Sisterhood not only enjoyed a delicious luncheon and a pleasant social hour, but also had the privilege of hearing Mr. Leo Schwarz, eminent author and lecturer, discuss "My Experiences with Books and Writers."

Mr. Schwarz, an unusually able speaker, was most interesting and informative. Having an intimate knowledge of the lives and the books of many significant writers, he revealed their personalities with wit and candor. Mrs. Sol Green, president of Sisterhood, presided over the meeting with her usual charm and efficiency.

Ceremonial Gift Shop

Once again the season of Hanukkah is fast approaching, and, as usual, in the lobby of the Milton Steinberg House, there will be an attractive display of ceremonial objects, all of which will make charming gifts for the Hanukkah holiday.

From Israel come beautiful menorahs, sabbath lights, lovely kiddush cups, talaisim and many other unique treasures. For the youngsters, there are key rings, money clips, tie clips, lockets, bracelets, talis bags, games and multicolored dredels. Mezuzahs, Yarzeit lights, candle holders—these are but a few of the gifts, gathered from everywhere for your delight.

In charge of this exhibit and in readiness to serve you is Mrs. Milton Heller, chairman of Sisterhood's ceremonial objects. Irrespective of the amount of your purchase, you will always find Irma eager to help you make your selections. Just phone her (At 9-5500) and not only solve your gift problems but also make this Hanukkah a more festive occasion by your thoughtfulness.

Coming Event

For those of you whose calendars bespeak a busy social life, we are giving advance notice of an affair you will not want to miss—a Sunday night dinner dance planned for January 12, 1958, at the Lemberg Auditorium in the Park Avenue Synagogue. Following the dinner, a well known dance instructor will teach the newest steps. A wonderful dinner, an evening of fun for husbands and wives—all this awaits you on the night of Sunday, January 12. Be sure to reserve this date now for this gay Sisterhood affair.

Jewish Book Month

By HILDE KISCH, *Librarian*

From November 15 to December 15 the Jewish Book Council of America is sponsoring Jewish Book Month in order to stimulate interest in Jewish books. On this occasion it is perhaps fitting to call to mind a few facts about the development of the Jewish library, one of the most important means for disseminating Jewish knowledge and learning.

Jewish libraries are collections of books and manuscripts in Hebrew or other languages pertaining to all matters Jewish. A fixed date when they first came into being cannot be established. They were preceded by archives for the preservation of documents at the synagogues, and the oldest Jewish libraries may have been sections of such archives. When academies developed as the intellectual centers of Judaism, first in Palestine and later in the diaspora, they also became repositories of Jewish literary production in manuscript form.

The medieval period was marked by numerous persecutions and almost constant wanderings of the Jews, accompanied by the confiscation and burning of books. It was obviously not a favorable time for the formation of Jewish libraries. Nevertheless, even then there were book collectors among the Jews, especially in Spain and Italy, who established private libraries. The invention of printing in the 15th century stimulated book collecting in Italy, Turkey, and later in Holland, where libraries of considerable size came into being.

Large collections of Jewish books were assembled by scholars and booklovers in the course of the 18th and 19th centuries. Most of them found permanent homes in public institutions after the death of their original owners. After 1933 almost all Jewish libraries on the European continent fell victim to Hitler's fury and barbarism.

In America it was Judge Myer Sulzberger (1843-1923) who foresaw that the New World was destined to become one of the foremost centers of Jewish scholarship. His fine collection of Jewish books became the foundation for one of the greatest Jewish libraries in the world, that of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America.

Other important libraries at institutions of Jewish learning are those of the Hebrew Union College in Cincinnati and New York, Dropsie College in Phila-

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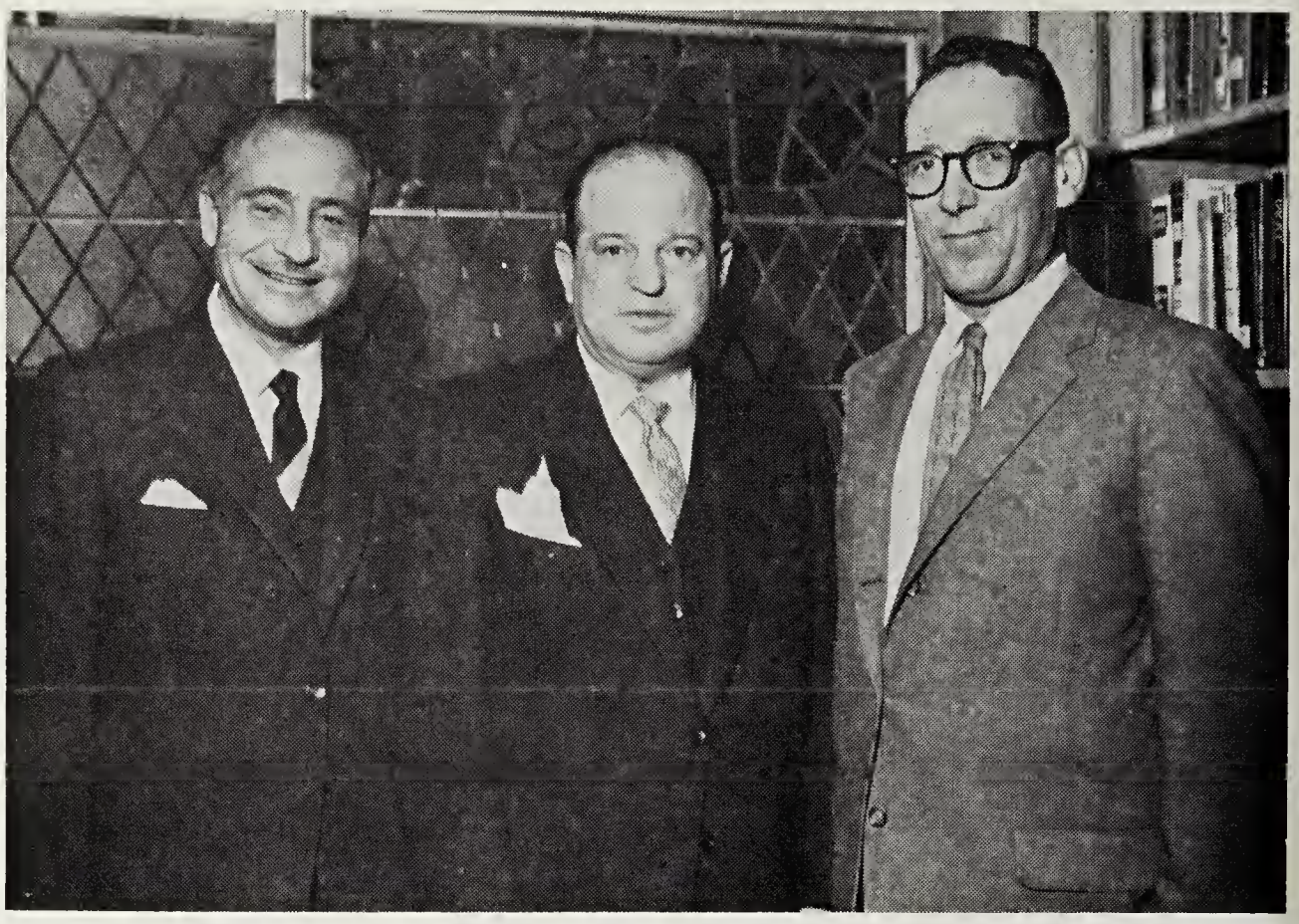
Cohen Library Formally Dedicated



Left to right: Joseph H. Katz, chairman, Board of Trustees, Isidore M. Cohen, and Asa D. Sokolow, chairman, Library Committee.

By ASA D. SOKOLOW

The Cohen Library was formally dedicated on Sunday morning, November 17. The beautifully appointed and equipped room, which is located on the second floor of the Milton Steinberg House, is a gift to the congregation from Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Cohen and his parents Mr. and Mrs. Joseph H. Cohen.

Asa Sokolow, Chairman of the Library Committee, welcomed the many synagogue officials and friends who attended the ceremonies and expressed our gratitude to the many individuals and groups who helped to put the library into operation.

Mrs. Hilde Kisch, our Librarian explained the extensive use currently being made of our reference and lending facilities by our school children and members of the synagogue family.

The formal presentation was made by Mr. I. M. Cohen, a devoted member of our Board of Trustees. Mr. Cohen unveiled a plaque dedicating the library to the memory of Mr. and Mrs. Israel Cohen, Mr. and Mrs. Hyman A. Levey, and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Junger.

Joseph Howard Katz, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, gratefully accepted the gift on behalf of the Board and the Congregation and paid tribute to the generosity of the Cohen family.

Rabbi Nadich opened the religious service with an appropriate prayer. Hazzan Putterman chanted a specially selected psalm. Rabbi Nadich delivered the dedicatory message and expressed the hope that the Cohen Library would become a true repository of our tradition and a major factor in the cultural life of the synagogue.

A mezuzah was affixed to the library door by Mr. Joseph H. Cohen and Mr. Jacob Klein, president of the synagogue.

Following the benediction, photographs were taken of the issuance of the first Cohen library cards.

Adult Education Courses

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Dr. Moshe Greenberg of the University of Pennsylvania, discussed "The Biblical age" in two lectures on November 4 and 11 both of which were well attended. Dr. Greenberg indicated the highlights of the thinking of the early Jews as it was molded by their own experiences and by the influence of the other Near Eastern peoples among whom they lived and moved.

The Hebrew courses will be continued at 8 o'clock on Monday evenings by Mr. Reuben R. Singer as well as the Sabbath Prayer Book courses which are being given by Hazzan David J. Putterman. The Sabbath Prayer Book courses will end with the session on Monday evening, December 16.

New Members Welcomed

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Kaplan, Mr. Stephen R. Kaye, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Langfield, Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Lasberg, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Levine, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lifton. Mr. and Mrs. Franz A. Lissauer, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Meadow, Mr. and Mrs. David J. Mendelsohn, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Mendelson, Mr. Harry Menkes, Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Miller, Mrs. Marcia Nasatir, Dr. and Mrs. Jacob Oberman. Dr. and Mrs. Abraham Oppenheim, Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Poe, Dr. and Mrs. Samuel P. Pritz, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Richman, Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Rosen, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Rosner, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Rosner, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Sheft. Mr. and Mrs. David S. Sheldon, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Simon, Mrs. Betty Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert R. Steinmann, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Stern, Dr. and Mrs. Samuel Swersky, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob H. Tuchman, Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Wilder, Mr. Robert Witte, Mr. and Mrs. Nat Yellen, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Zeitz. S. R. K.

Men's Club to Welcome Rabbi Nadich; Nov. 26

By HARVEY GLASSER

Men's Club is eagerly awaiting its next meeting on Tuesday evening, November 26, at 8:30 P.M., in the Lemberg Auditorium, when Dr. Judah Nadich will be the guest of honor and principal speaker.

We were all thrilled and moved by the beautiful ceremonies attendant upon Dr. Nadich's induction as the Rabbi of the Park Avenue Synagogue at the Friday evening services of November 8. Men's Club, an important arm of the Synagogue, hopes to offer its personal congratulations and respects to Rabbi Nadich at its next scheduled meeting.

The meeting will also be the occasion for the formal introduction and presentation of Rabbi Nadich to the members of Men's Club and for his induction as an honorary member. The Rabbi will be joined by other new members who are to be introduced to the membership at that time.

A special word of thanks, to those who helped make our Election Showcase meeting on October 29 such a rousing success, including all the political candidates who appeared and the mambers of the Program and Hospitality Committees.

Solomon Schecter Award To Our Synagogue

The Park Avenue Synagogue has been signally honored in being selected to receive the Solomon Schecter Award this year, in recognition of the distinguished service rendered by our Synagogue in the area of liturgical music.

The Award will be presented to our Congregation at the closing banquet of the biennial convention of the United Synagogue of America which is being held on November 20, at the Concord Hotel. Mr. Archie I. Thurman, chairman of our Ritual Committee, will accept it on behalf of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

This expression of public appreciation of our contribution to the development of liturgical music was in no small measure due to the efforts of our own Hazzan David Putterman, who, for many years, has presented our annual Liturgical Service of new Liturgical Music by contemporary composers, the thirteenth of such services having been presented this past May. Dedicated to the enhancement of Jewish worship and to the wider utilization of Jewish music, these Services have served as a source of encouragement to those who have given of their lives and genius to its enrichment.

The Award has a special meaning to us at the Park Avenue Synagogue, coming as it does when we are about to celebrate twenty-five years of devoted and dedicated service rendered to our Synagogue by Hazzan Putterman.

United Synagogue Holds Biennial Convention

Archie Thurman, a member of our Board of Trustees and chairman of our Ritual Committee, and Sidney R. Katz, our Executive Director, were designated as delegates of the Park Avenue Synagogue to attend the biennial convention of the United Synagogue of America which was held November 17-21 at the Concord Hotel, Kiamesha Lake, N. Y.

Hazzan David J. Putterman, Director of the Department of Music of the United Synagogue of America, who also attended the convention was chairman of a session entitled "Music for Your Synagogue."

The theme of the convention was "Lengthen Thy Cords and Deepen Thy Stakes"—a quotation from Isaiah, suggesting the intensive and extensive growth of the Conservative Synagogue. During the course of the conference, there were workshops and general sessions dealing with almost every area of synagogue life, adult education, youth activities, religious services, membership, public relations, and the congregation school. The program was planned in an effort to guide synagogue leaders in helping to produce the "complete Jew", proud of his heritage and concerned with transmitting it to future generations.

The convention was also attended by spiritual leaders from fifteen foreign countries.

Mr. & Mrs. Club Present School Forum

By Mrs. JEROME S. MITTELMAN

The question "What kind of education for my child?" perplexes many a parent and individual interested in children. On Tuesday, December 10, at 8:30 P.M. the Mr. and Mrs. Club is to present a panel of leaders in education who will discuss this all important topic under the moderation of Rabbi Judah Nadich.

The panel will consist of Mr. Isidor Margolis, Executive Director of Mizrachi-Hapoel Hamizrachi, National Education Committee, and Professor of Religious Education at Yeshiva University, who will discuss religious schools; Mr. Frank Dunn, Chairman of the English Department of Samuel Gompers High School will represent the Public School system, and Mr. William C. Swallow, Jr., Assistant to the Director of Ethical Culture School of New York City will present the private school point of view.

Each member of the panel is an expert in his field and has generously consented to draw upon his experiences and information to help solve familiar problems. Indeed, they should stimulate new avenues of thought in approaches for bettering educational opportunities for the younger generation. Their varying points of view should excite those who would seize every chance to acquaint themselves with the many possibilities concerning proper education of the young.

The Mr. and Mrs. Club extends a cordial invitation to all congregants and their interested friends to join in the evening's activities. The forum, moderated by Rabbi Judah Nadich, will start promptly at 8:30 P.M. to allow for a period for panel members to answer questions put to them by guests. Be with us, then, on Tuesday, December 10.

Parents Association News

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

Open Meeting, November 20

Another timely reminder to all parents to attend the first open meeting of the Parents Association on Wednesday evening, November 20, at 8:15 o'clock. This is the special meeting arranged for parents to meet the teachers of their children in the Religious School. Mr. Leichtling, the school principal, will also be present.

Rabbi Nadich will address the group and will be happy to answer any questions which the parents wish to discuss

There will be refreshments, and our own Regina Stangel will again create a charming table display.

Hanukkah

Plans are being made for a December afternoon meeting which will be devoted to a Hanukkah Workshop. It is hoped that this will stimulate interest in the traditional observance of the Hanukkah Festival in the home. Those who have attended these Holiday Workshops in previous years know how helpful they are in making the holiday more beautiful, more cultural and more significant. Our talented and devoted Mrs. A. Stangel will be in charge of this project and will have an inspirational display of decorations, centerpieces, games and gifts, appropriate for the celebration of Hanukkah.

Tea For Class Mothers

On the afternoon of November 14, a charming group of ladies, all class mothers of our Religious School, met in the Sisterhood Lounge, for an informal get-together over a cup of tea. Chairman of this important phase of our activities is Mrs. Jack Kurzweil, who with her co-chairmen, Mrs. Emil Forster and Mrs. James Leff, acted as hostesses.

Mrs. Kurzweil welcomed the guests and then outlined the duties of the class mothers in serving as a liason between the parents and the teachers. Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer, president, and Mrs. Herman Helpern, past president, also greeted the group. Mr. Leichtling, principal of the Religious School, stressed the important part the mothers play in helping to arrange holiday celebrations for the children.

CORRECTION

In the report of those who assisted at the recent luncheon for new mothers, the name of Mrs. Bruno Foa was omitted through error. She has always been such a loyal and dedicated worker in our ranks that we wish to correct the omission.

The following have been designated to serve as Class Mothers:

CLASS MOTHERS 1957-1958

Mrs. Jack Kurzweil, Chairman
Mrs. James Leff
Mrs. Emil Forster, Co-Chairmen

PRIMARY DEPARTMENT

Class 1
Mrs. Joseph Drucker
Mrs. Alfred Oshins
Class 2A
Mrs. Grace Gilbert
Mrs. Henry J. Vogelstein
Class 2B
Mrs. Hebert Berger
Mrs. Samuel Wick
Class 3A
Mrs. Nathan Schweitzer
Mrs. Morris Stolz
Class 3B
Mrs. Lawrence Epstein
Mrs. Lawrence Gluckin
Class 4A
Mrs. Martin Clayman
Mrs. Frances Schwartz
Class 4B
Mrs. Stanley Greenwald
Mrs. Nathaniel Hyman

HEBREW DEPARTMENT

Class 1A
Mrs. James J. Leff
Mrs. Louis Zimmerman
Mrs. Ella Wallack
Class 1B
Mrs. Joseph Goldman
Mrs. Lewis Linn
Class 1T
Mrs. Sanford Brandmarker
Mrs. Jacques Kaplan
Class 2A
Mrs. Albert Cornell
Mrs. Arnold Boris
Class 2B
Mrs. Irving Salzberg
Mrs. George Shapiro
Class 2T
Mrs. Robert Altman
Mrs. Joseph Dell
Class 3A
Mrs. Belle Merrit
Mrs. Bernard Shapiro
Class 3B
Mrs. Edward Kline
Mrs. Joseph Andrews
Class 4A
Mrs. Gabriel Politzer
Class 4B
Mrs. Arnold Bachman

Jewish Book Month

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delphia, the Yivo Institute for Jewish Research in New York, and the College of Jewish Studies in Chicago.

The New York Public Library and the Library of Congress in Washington have excellent Jewish divisions. The libraries of Harvard, Columbia and Yale Universities contain collections of Jewish books and manuscripts.

In the last decades numerous fine libraries were founded by American Jewish congregations. The Cohen Library of Park Avenue Synagogue, although only recently established, can be counted among them. The librarian hopes that an ever-growing number of readers, through frequent use of its facilities, will help to make Jewish Book Month a real success.

Congratulations

Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Liberman—birth of grandson
Mr. and Mrs. Julian Jacobs—25th Wedding Anniversary — November 11
Mr. and Mrs. Mortimer D. Millheiser—35th Wedding Anniversary Nov. 25.

Condolences

Louis Grossman—Death of brother John Grossman
Mrs. Lillian Janovic—death of husband Joseph
Harold P. Seligson — death of mother

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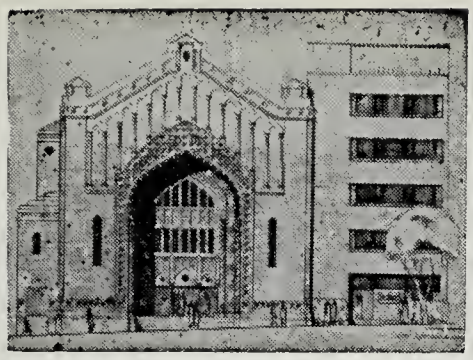

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Teen Age Religious Service Friday Evening, Dec. 13 at 8:30 P. M.

By Hyman Sankel

The Youth Groups are once again sponsoring their annual Friday Evening Service on December 13 at 8:30 P.M. Rabbi Nadich will preach on the very timely topic, which should be of great interest to both adults and youngsters, "What Shall I Tell My Child About Christmas". Parents will receive an opportunity to obtain worthwhile guidance on a subject which is bound to be a topic of conversation with their children.

The teen agers will participate in the Hebrew and English Readings and chant the Kiddush. Following the Service, a panel discussion by several young people will take place in the Lemberg Auditorium during the Oneg Shabbat on the topic "Youth, Morality and Judaism". The young folk will give their opinions and reactions on the current mainstreams operating in religion and morals.

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Dedication of Torah Schrolls To Be Held Together With Hanukkah Party, Sunday Evening, Dec. 22

On Sunday evening, December 22 at 8:30 P.M. in the synagogue, a beautiful traditional ceremony will take place when two Torah scrolls will be dedicated for use at future religious services in the Park Avenue Synagogue. The scrolls are the gifts of Mr. and Mrs. Isidore M. Cohen and Mr. and Mrs. Solomon E. Green.

The colorful *Siyum Hatorah* ceremony will form a part of the Hanukkah evening service to be conducted by Rabbi Judah Nadich and Hazzan David J. Putterman together with the synagogue choir and with Mr. George Crook at the organ. The old and new scrolls will be carried in an impressive procession prior to the actual completion of the new Torah scroll, when the scribe will fill in the last letters. These ceremonies are rarely seen and it is to be hoped that a large number of our members will be present, together with their families, to witness these memorable scenes.

Following the presentation of the Torahs there will be a lighting of the candles, six that evening in connection

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MRS. DELLA KAHN HOROWITZ

SCHEDULE OF RELIGIOUS SERVICES

Friday Evening, December 13 . . . . . 8:30 P.M.
"What Shall I Tell My Child About Christmas"
United Synagogue Youth Service and Oneg Shabbat

Saturday Morning, December 14 . . . . . 9:30 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of George Pollock, son of Mrs. Goldie Pollock

Friday Evening, December 20 . . . . . 8:30 P.M.
"What Price Judaism?"
Hanukkah Service

Saturday Morning, December 21 . . . . . 9:30 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of James Buff
Son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Buff

Rabbi Judah Nadich will speak Friday evenings and preach on the Scriptural Portion each Saturday morning.
The Services will be conducted by Rabbi Nadich and Hazzan David J. Putterman, assisted by the Synagogue Choir with Mr. George Crook at the organ.

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Hanukkah - An Editorial

Hanukkah, the Feast of Lights, commemorates the victory of the ancient Maccabees over the Greco-Syrians and the subsequent rededication of the Temple at Jerusalem to the worship of God. That ancient victory of a small group of determined and heroic men over a much larger enemy force is still of great significance to us today. Historically speaking, the Maccabean triumph made possible the continuation of Judaism and also the birth many years later of the two daughter religions of Judaism. Had the Maccabees failed, there would be neither Judaism, Christianity nor Islam today.

Moreover, their struggle is of extraordinary importance to us today because it represents the first raising of the standard of revolt not for territorial conquest nor for booty nor even for political indepedence, but for an idea—for one of the basic freedoms we cherish today, the freedom of conscience, the freedom of worship. The Jews could have lived peacefully in their land had they been willing to accept the religion and culture of their overlords. But peace at such a cost was spurned by the Jews who were of the opinion that life is worth living only when accompanied by freedom and that freedom meant nothing if it did not mean the possibility of ordering one's life in accordance with one's ideas and beliefs. Few in number and weak in strength as compared with the forces pitted against them, the Maccabees were victorious because they fought as only free men can fight against mercenaries and we celebrate their victory to this day.

It is good that we remind ourselves of the purposes for which they fought, that we do so by each Jewish family kindling the Hanukkah lights in the home each of the eight evenings of Hanukkah, singing the lovely melodies and exchanging Hanukkah gifts and playing the Hanukkah games. Particularly, should we give our attention during these days to the children in the family in much more than perfunctory manner so that through the joy of Hanukkah parties, festivities, presents and song, they be made familiar especially at this season with the warmth, the color and the happiness of normative Judaism.

But we the adults should also take the lesson of Hanukkah to heart. The Maccabees fought for freedom of conscience and the right of Jews to live as Jews. If we be apathetic to the values of the spirit, if Jewish religion and Hebrew culture are of no concern to us, then we who are the lineal descendants of the Maccabees constitute a mockery and denial of their valorous victory.

Let this Hanukkah be for us a time of rededication to the values of the spirit which in our times are needed as much, if not more, than in the days of our Maccabean ancestors.

JUDAH NADICH
Rabbi

Lighting The First Candle

Turn off the lights, restore the dark
To this small candle's valiant spark.
Restore to it historic right
To conquer darkness of the night.

How many age-long, fear-long nights
Have yielded to these fragile lights.
How many happy scenes return,
Rejoice the heart, the hour they burn.

So shall my children also know
Through all the ages, what true glow
Lighted with its sacred flame
The paths down which our people came.

Turn off the lights, restore the dark
To this small candle's valiant spark
Let no electric glare intrude
On this most precious interlude.

JULIA KATZ

FIRST HANUKKAH CANDLE TO BE LIGHTED DEC. 17

Hanukkah candles are lit eight successive evenings. This year, the first candle will be lit Tuesday evening, December 17 and it will continue through Tuesday, December 25, when eight candles are lit.

"A Word of Appreciation"

By FREDA SACK

We have heard of meetings at "The Summit". Sisterhood had its summit meeting December 4 at the brunch held at the Sheraton Astor Hotel followed by the performance of the musical "Rumple" at the Alvin Theatre. It was an event long to be remembered and the attendance was heartwarming.

Once again, we have demonstrated that an affair sponsored by Sisterhood is a thing of beauty. Not only were the ladies who were present full of sparkle, but the gaiety that permeated the entire assembly gave the event an unusual glamor.

The Executive Board, together with a few devoted members of Sisterhood who constituted the Luncheon Committee, did a masterful job and deserve the thanks of the entire membership. As chairman of the Luncheon Committee, I want to express to them my personal appreciation for without their constant endeavor, there was little that I could have accomplished.

Necessarily any function as large as a combination Brunch and Theatre Party requires the help of a small group who must take on the larger share of the "blood, sweat and tears", and to them I want to express my deep gratitude. This includes Mrs. Edward Peiper, my co-chairman, Mrs. Irwin H. Rome, Treasurer, Mrs. Harry J. Sokolow, publicity chairman, Mrs. Abraham Stangel, chairman of decorations, assisted by Mrs. Sidney R. Katz, and Mrs. William Karmiol, chairman of hostesses.

In the latter days immediately preceding the party, Frances Peiper, Doris Rome and Gertrude Karmiol, assisted by Phyllis Siegel, in addition to their other duties, spent four solid days in the mechanics of ticket and seat allocations. This was a most difficult task and their devotion to details accounted for the smooth flow of the afternoon and was responsible for a memorable day.

To Mrs. Sol E. Green, our president, may I express my special sense of obligation, for her constant support throughout every activity which made the afternoon of December 4 so successful.

To Sisterhood at large, and to our devoted men, some of whom graced our brunch by their presence, I wish to record my sincere thanks for enabling our committee to report a financial success, and thus to continue Sisterhood's role in the Synagogue and the community.

Hanukkah Party

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with the Hanukkah festival. There will also be an interesting social and entertaining evening in the Lemberg Auditorium directly after the *Siyum Hatorah* in the synagogue itself. The program in the Lemberg Auditorium will feature a piano recital by Mrs. Della Kahn Horowitz who is contributing her services. She has given numerous recitals since childhood. She has been heard on major networks and has also played before audiences of synagogues, fraternal organizations as well as women's Zionist groups.

Miss Aviva Halaban will be the other feature artist of the evening. She is a native Israeli and has sung with the Israel Symphony Orchestra and has represented the state of Israel at international folk song festivals and UN celebrations. She is a lyric soprano.

Mrs. Regina Stangel is chairman of the committee which is arranging this function and will be in charge of the entertainment and refreshments. Members of our congregation and their families who attend are sure to find it an interesting evening.

On the committee to assist Mrs. Stangel are the following: Mrs. John Bauer, Mrs. David Altschul, Mrs. Peter Cats, Mrs. Bruno Foa, Mrs. Irving Friedman, Mrs. Robert Gilbert, Mrs. Harry Grunther, Mrs. Isidore Hahn, Mrs. Marcia B. Nasatir, Mrs. Arthur Morse, Mrs. A. Pincus, Mrs. Samuel P. Pritz, Mrs. Hector Ritey, Mrs. Robert D. Rubin, Mrs. Nelson Ruttenberg, Mrs. George Shapiro, Mrs. Albert Siegel and Mrs. Betty Smith.

Youth Sabbath Service

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This event is one of the many planned by the Youth Activities Division to build closer ties between the youth of our community and the Synagogue. It reflects the religious aspect of the program which also includes sound and cultural activities. Participating in readings from the pulpit will be: Mark Alan Siegel, Kenneth Morse, David Reichman, Jane Jacobs, Inez Fields, Phyllis Brody, Elissa Kaufman and Judy Schwartz. The Kiddush will be chanted by Joel Siegel. Those who will conduct the panel discussion are: Burt Wolfson, Jeri Rosner and Harry Pincus.

Dr. Abraham S. Halkin To Close First Session Of Adult Education Lecture Series, Dec. 16

By HOWARD KIEVAL

The first half of the Adult Education program for 1957-58 will close for the winter recess with the classes on Monday, December 16.

The featured lecturer on the Major Series for December 16, will be Dr. Abraham S. Halkin, associate professor of Jewish History at the Jewish Theological Seminary, and professor of Hebrew at The City College of New York. Dr. Halkin has written a number of important historical works on the period of Islam's great rise as a world force and as a cultural influence on Judaism. His doctoral dissertation, at Columbia University, in on "Moslem Schisms and Sects."

DR. ABRAHAM S. HALKIN

The Golden Age in Spain represents a high point in the flowering of Jewish culture in the Middle Ages. It owes no small part of its success to the encouragement which Jews of the period received from their Moslem neighbors, as contrasted with the general position of Jews elsewhere in Europe at that time.

Not only in Spain, but in North Africa, Egypt, the Levant, and elsewhere in the Near East, Jewish culture gained some measure of freedom and encouragement from the interest of the Moslem rulers in all phases of intellectual activity.

Dr. Halkin will also deliver three lectures on the European age in our adult education program when it resumes in January and February.

Rabbi David Weiss, brilliant young Talmudic scholar at the Jewish Theological Seminary delivered the lectures on December 2 and 9. A victim of the Nazi terror who managed miraculously to survive the concentration camps, Rabbi Weiss came to the United States in 1947. In addition to his Talmudic studies, Rabbi Weiss has found time to complete the Bachelor's and Master's degrees at universities in New York, and to complete a book of Talmudic commentary which will be published shortly.

The December 16 session also marks the close of Hazzan Putterman's series on the Sabbath Prayer Book. His second semester course will be on the Cantillations, for male members of the Congregation.

The Hebrew courses have been extremely well attended. Their success has been so outstanding that an additional class is being established and another instructor being added to the faculty.

Details on the second semester of the Adult Education program will be announced in the BULLETIN in January.

Altmarks To Celebrate Golden Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Altmark, who have been members of our congregation for several decades, will celebrate their fiftieth wedding anniversary on December 17.

Harry, who has been a member of the Advisory Council of the Board of Trustees of our Synagogue for many years, has been a regular worshipper at our religious services and on numerous occasions, he has sat on the pulpit as Gabbai.

On behalf of the entire congregation, we wish to extend to the Altmarks our very best wishes for many happy anniversaries and to express the hope that they may enjoy good health with their children, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Munves, members of our synagogue, and Dr. and Mrs. Robert Ullman, their grandchildren and their great grandchild for many years.

College Youth Group Plan Big Week-end Dec. 26-27

By HYMAN SANKEL

The Youth Activities Committee is planning a twofold program for the college age youth of Synagogue members during the Winter Recess. The first event will be a Cocktail Party and Supper to be held on December 26 at 6:00 P.M. If it follows the pattern of past parties, the young people are sure to spend a very enjoyable and exciting evening. Entertainment and dancing will follow the supper.

Please be sure that you have mailed in the college address of your child so that an invitation may be extended to him or to her. Students in graduate schools are included in this party. We are sure this event will provide a means for our young people to meet each other under Synagogue auspices, renew old friendships and make new acquaintances.

To insure the success of this important phase of our Youth Activities program, Mrs. Herman Helpern, chairman, has once again called upon the services of two of our indefatigable and devoted workers, to act as chairmen of this function, Mrs. Harry Zucker and Mrs. Nelson Ruttenberg.

On Friday evening, December 27, the Synagogue Service will be dedicated to the College Youth of our membership. The students will participate in the interpretive readings from the pulpit. Another group will lead a panel discussion at the Oneg Shabbat which follows the service. The subject of Rabbi Judah Nadich's address "How Can Modern Man Rediscover God", will be of great interest to both college students and adults.

This Sabbath Service marks our first real effort to involve our college youth in a religious program. Will you join your children that Friday evening in attending the Service and help make it a success?

Our Armed Forces

A special committee has been appointed by the Men's Club of the Park Avenue Synagogue, with Nat B. Gerber, chairman, for the purpose of contacting our boys who are presently serving in the Armed Forces.

Will you please send us the names and addresses of your sons and relatives in the Armed Forces, so that the special committee may send them their greetings and seasonal gift parcels?

Prayer Books Presented By Nathan Gerber Family

In memory of Mrs. Lizzie Rothenberg, mother of Mrs. Bertha Gerber, the Nathan Gerbers have dedicated fifty copies of the new Sabbath Prayer Books which will shortly be used in the Park Avenue Synagogue at our regular Sabbath services.

During the course of the High Holy Days, Joseph Howard Katz, chairman of the Board of Trustees, pointed to the fact that additional copies of our Prayer Books are awaiting members of our congregation who may see fit to dedicate them in memory of any of their beloved departed.

Nathan Gerber and his wife were among the first to so respond.

Earlier, Mrs. Tubie Resnik had arranged to dedicate several in memory of her mother, Dora Smith.

Mrs. Charles Weisberg had also earlier contributed to memorialize the memory of her mother, Anna Lobel. Recently, a contribution was received from Mrs. A. Mnuchin to be used for the donation of these Books.

If you wish to dedicate any of these Prayer Books, please call Sidney Katz, the Executive Director at the synagogue, ENright 9-2600.

Milton Steinberg Hadassah Group to Meet Dec. 16

The Milton Steinberg Group of Hadassah will hold its open meeting on Monday, December 16 at 12:30 P.M. in the Lemberg Auditorium of the Milton Steinberg House.

The program will consist of the showing of a new film on Israel which was recently exhibited at the Hadassah annual convention for the first time. Madame Paulette Oppert-Fink, who has just returned from Israel, will be the guest speaker. There will also be vocal selection by one of the members of the Hadassah Group.

Mrs. I. Edward Gevirtz, chairman of the Membership Committee, cordially invites all members of the various organizations of the Synagogue to join the Group at 12:30 P.M. on Monday, December 16, for a dessert luncheon and a stimulating afternoon.

Arts and Decorations

By ETHEL SIVEK

As chairman of the Arts and Decorations Committee, I am happy to report that our committee has been engaged in several projects during the past few months.

The floral arrangements for the holidays and the various special events were planned and selected by the committee. The rear lobby of the Milton Steinberg House has been completed with the installation of modern hand-crafted Finnish lighting fixtures. The subdued lighting, together with the wall covering and ceiling color, create an atmosphere to the entrance to the Appleman Chapel.

Two paintings contributed by I. M. Cohen were hung in the Sisterhood Lounge. One of the paintings is by the eminent artist Belle Golenko and depicts the blessing over the Shabbat candles. The other painting, one of Moses receiving the Ten Commandments, was at one time exhibited in an Israeli museum. A modern painting recently donated by Mrs. Sol Green is on display in the lower lobby. It was painted by Jo Anne Schneider whose exhibit is now on display at the John Heller Gallery at 63 East 57th Street. The famous Arthur Szyck prints portraying the Jewish festivals were presented by Jacob Klein.

Mrs. Kaiser, wife of the curator of the Jewish Museum, has undertaken the assignment of exhibiting antique Judaica appropriate to the various holidays in display niches in the lobby of the Milton Steinberg House.

Synagogue members interested in donating works of art and decorative objects for the beautification of our building should communicate with Sidney R. Katz, Executive Director. Those serving on the Arts and Decorations Committee with me are: Lucille Lemberg and Sally Victor.

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Religious School News

By MARTIN LEICHTLING, *Principal*

The Board of Education of the Metropolitan Council of the United Synagogue awards speeial honors to students in the Congregational schools in the metropolitan area. This awards system is only one of the many techniques devised by the Metropolitan Council to raise the standards in our religious schools.

The Achievement Award is granted to a student in the religious school who maintains a high scholastic standing in three areas of study; Hebrew, Jewish History and Customs and Ceremonies. A student who wins an achievement award during three of his years in the religious school then becomes eligible for membership in the all-city Honor Society—the *Keter Torah* or Crown of the *Torah.*

Achievement Awards

Annual Achievement Awards for the year ending, June 1957 were granted to:

First Achievement Award: Leonard Aronson, Dolores Blum, Jan Cornell, Rhoda Epstein, Janice Fields, Arnold Goldman, Steven Heller, Viola Hurtig, Jonathan Katz, Roger Kline, Barton Kogan, David Karpf, Richard Levy, Sande Milton, Lenore Pressman, Lee Rosenbaum, Richard Rubin, Terese Stern, John Towers, Robert Tunis and Bonnie Zabor.

Second Achievement Award: Bram Andrews, Michael Fein, Elizabeth Field, Pamela Foa, Pascal Kaplan, Sonya Kaufman, Jerome Kaiser, Samuel Paskin, Rita Sherr, Renee Stern and Jonathan Stowe.

Third Achievement Award: Joan Helpern and Diana Reeve.

Fourth Achievement Award: Tomi Deutsch, Jeffrey Mehlman and Daniel Ritey.

Keter Torah Award: Joel Grantz, Inez Fields and Charles Kaiser.

Attendance Awards

First Attendance Award: Ruth Burbel, Jeffrey Dell, Paul Forster, Joseph Goldin, Richard Hurtig, Scott Miller, Alfred Ross, Jon Rosenblatt, Joel Schore, Steven Siegel, Barbara Sherr and Ken Shorenstein.

Second Attendance Award: Roger Eininger, Simeon Grater, Stanley Goldring and Bernard Nemeroff.

A special Junior Congregation award has been presented for the third year to Stanley Kurzweil.

Student Teachers

Some seven years ago, the Primary Department of the Religious School instituted a student-teacher program for the young women of the Graduation and Confirmation class. Each year a number of the graduates have accepted the opportunity to work with the regularly appointed teachers who instruct our children on Sunday morning. This year the school has the good fortune of having the services of Susan Jacobs, Jacqueline Finkel and Joan Rubinstein.

The student-teachers, under the guidance of the regular teachers, are given opportunities to observe the instruction; to assist with the instruction; to discuss teaching techniques; and to instruct the children in particular phases of the lesson.

Report Cards

Report cards will be distributed to the students in the Hebrew Department on December 11 and December 12.

This will give parents an opportunity to discuss with their children the report card marks and, particularly, the teacher's personal comments evaluating the work of the student.

Hanukkah Parties

The Annual Hanukkah Parties for the students of the Religious School will be conducted on December 14 and December 15. The program will include the lighting of the candles, holiday songs and games, social and folk dancing and refreshments.

The refreshments for all of the parties will be provided for by the Parents Association under the supervision of Mrs. Jack Kurzweil, chairman of the Class Mothers and her group.

Parents Group Arranges New Lecture Series

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

At a recent meeting of Class Mothers, Mrs. Jack Kurzweil, chairman, found that many mothers were faced with countless questions posed by their youngsters such as, "What is Heaven?", "What Happens to my Soul?", "Where is God?" Many felt inadequate to answer these questions intelligently.

In order to help mothers meet these problems, Rabbi Nadich has graciously volunteered to conduct a series of five lectures to be sponsored by the Parents Association. These will be based on the topic: "What shall I tell my child?" The first lecture will be given on Tuesday, January 7, at 1:15 P.M. in the Lemberg Auditorium and will be followed by four additional talks on the first Tuesday of each succeeding month thereafter.

The Parents Association feels that this is a wonderful opportunity which no mother should miss. All are cordially invited.

SCHOOL NEWS
WINTER RECESS

The Religious School will begin its annual winter vacation on

Saturday, December 21

Students will report back to classes on

Thursday, January 2, 1958 at 3:30 P.M.

Youth Activities Program

The following chart provides a guide for the various clubs now operating in the Synagogue. Each one of these is open to the children of Synagogue members. We welcome the enrollment of your children in this fine program.

Club	*Meeting date - time*	*Age*	*Sex*
Boy Scouts	Mondays 7:00 P.M.	11-15	Boys
Cub Scouts	Fridays 3:30 P.M.	8-11	Boys
	Den Meetings		
	Park Meeting on last		
	Thursday of month 7:00 P.M.		
Girl Scouts	Fridays 3:30 P.M.	10-14	Girls
Brownies	Fridays 3:30 P.M.	7-10	Girls
Art Class	Wednesdays 3:30-4:40 P.M.	6-9	Girls & Boys
	4:50-6:00 P.M.	10-11	Girls & Boys
Teen Age Clubs	Sundays 3:00 P.M.	13-17	Girls & Boys
Jewish Study Group	Sundays 2:00 P.M..	13-17	Girls & Boys
College Group	Winter Recess	17-22	Girls & Boys

Men's Club To Discuss Stock Market Plunge

By HARVEY GLASSER

With a panel of Men's Club members comprised of Ben Boas, Fred L. Schaefer and Bernard Weinflash leading the way, Men's Club will plunge into the behind-the-scenes intricacies of the Stock Market at its December 17 meeting, at 8:30 P.M., in the Lemberg Auditorium of the Synagogue.

We, of Men's Club, are proud of the illustrious and talented men who make up our membership. To gather together a first-rate panel for a forum discussion on the gyrations of the Stock Market, we had only to call upon three of our own members.

Ben Boas has been a member of the Stock Exchange for over thirty years. A Lt. Commander in the Naval Reserve with service in both World Wars, Mr. Boas is a "Floor Trader" specializing in five stocks including International Nickel. His topic is "Intimate Revelations of the Stock Exchange".

Fred L. Schaefer is with Hirsch & Co., stock brokers, for over seven years. He was educated in Vienna, Paris and Switzerland and studied at the Academy of Music here in New York, intending to be a concert pianist. Fred speaks French and German fluently. His subject will be "Puts and Calls".

The third member of the panel, Bernard Weinflash, has been an account executive with the stock brokerage firm of Merrill, Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Beane for over five years. He is as well both a practising accountant and a member of the New York Bar. Mr. Weinflash also served as an Instructor at City College and as a Lecturer at Brooklyn College. He will talk on "Market Patterns and the Money Influence".

A number of other experts are also expected to attend and it should prove to be a fascinating evening for those who have watched the ups and downs of the Stock Market in utter bewilderment. Monroe Heyward will introduce the speakers and serve as moderator of the evening's program. An ample question and answer period will follow the panel discussion. As always, a collation will close the evening's activities.

Scout Group Activities

Boy Scouts

Boy Scout Troop 600 of the Park Avenue Synagogue participated recently in a three day overnight hike (Trekorce) to Camp Alpine in New Jersey. They arrived there before dark, the food was kosher, and religious services were held.

Accommodations were luxurious. Fifteen campers and two leaders had an oil heated cabin all to themselves. On Saturday night the boys played host to a neighboring troop at a big campfire. It was a most enjoyable week-end. Ours is the largest troop in the entire Yorkville section, which makes it necessary to restrict future membership to children of members of our synagogue. Meetings are held every Monday night at 7:00 P.M. in Room 302 of the Milton Steinberg House.

Girl Scouts

Our Girl Scout Troop with its very able leader, Mrs. Stanley Simon, recently participated in a joint program with the Girl Scout Troop from the School for the Deaf.

Both troops took a hike through the cool Schurz Park and then our scouts were guests for dinner at the School for the Deaf. It was a wonderful day for all concerned.

Cub Scouts

Our Cub Scouts recently held a Parents Night at which the individual projects of the boys were displayed and a demonstration of artificial respiration was given by Alfred Ross and Paul Mozian, members of our Cub Scout group. Awards were presented by Den Chief, Ronald Frank.

Scout Games were played, refreshments served and the meeting closed with a Scout Benediction.

Brownies

Brownies Troop 3-331, also part of our synagogue scout program, under the leadership of Mrs. Florence Pritz and Mrs. Altman held an investiture for new members on December 6.

The Brownies are now working on a holiday project for a children's ward of Mount Sinai Hospital. They are making drawings, word games and address books.

Condolences

Mr. Benjamin Bachrach—death of brother Julius Bachrach.

Sisterhood Plans Dinner-Dance for Jan. 12

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

What gayer way for Sisterhood to begin a sparkling new 1958 social season than a dinner-dance! Mrs. Irwin Rome, chairman of program, announces that this "Americana Festival" will take place on Sunday evening, January 12 at 6 o'clock in the Lemberg Auditorium.

Mrs. Samuel Gellert, chairman of the dinner-dance, and her committee are busy making plans for a fun-packed get-to-gether. Dinner "a la Americana" will be served at $3.00 per person and will be followed by dancing instruction by Tobin and Lee of the Don Pallini Dance Studios. This promises to be a high light on the social calendar of the Park Avenue Synagogue, and a splendid opportunity for members—both old and new—to spend a friendly evening together.

Since space is limited, the committee urges you to make your reservations early. A phone call to Mrs. S. Gellert (Te 8-7954) or a note (170 East 61 Street) will insure you a delightful and entertaining Sunday evening.

Congratulations

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Ruttenberg December 11—30th Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Z. Harry Altmark—December 17—50th Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Levine—on the engagement of their daughter, Susan, to Jordan Elliott Lourie

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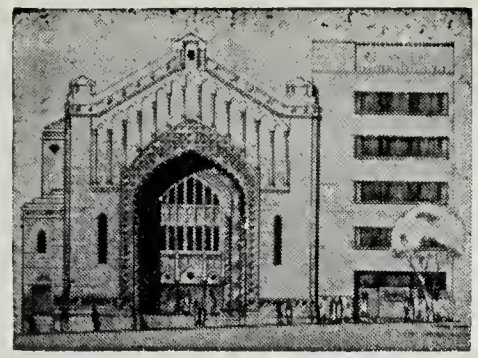

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Dinner-Dance Starts '58 Sisterhood Activities

By Rhea M. Ruttenberg

Sunday evening, January 12 — six o'clock—the gaily decorated Lemberg Auditorium—and there you have the scene of one of the merriest parties Sisterhood has ever planned.

Have you sent in your reservation for the dinner-dance which has been arranged for that evening? The price, three dollars per person, will cover the cost of a delicious dinner, dance instruction by Tobin and Lee of the Don Pallini Dance Studios, plenty of fun and many surprises.

Mrs. Samuel Gellert, chairman of this affair, and her committee are making extensive plans for the entertainment of the guests. We know that you will want to make this a "must" on your social calendar. This is your opportunity to spend an enjoyable social evening with the members of Sisterhood and their

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Friday Evening Service, December 27 Sponsored By Park Avenue Synagogue College Group

Jerrold R. Golding Contributes 500 Bibles

Mr. & Mrs. Jerrold R. Golding, members of our congregation, responding to the recent revived interest in memorializing Bibles and prayer books, have made a very generous contribution to the Park Avenue Synagogue.

They have arranged to have 500 Hertz Pentateuchs inscribed in memory of Mr. Golding's mother, the late Sue Golding.

Mrs. Rosenhirsh Dedicates Prayer Books

In memory of her husband, the late Mr. Leo Rosenhirsh, Mrs. Hilda Rosenhirsh made a contribution for the purchase of Sabbath Prayer Books.

The Friday Evening Service to be held on December 27 will be dedicated to the College Youth of our membership. Rabbi Judah Nadich will preach on the topic on "How Can Modern Man Rediscover God." College youth as well as adults will find this a very interesting and provocative sermon. Several of the students will participate on the conduct of the Service. Tentatively they are: Ted Zucker, Davis Wimpfheimer, Artie Jacobs, Meryl Blau, Cecily Falkenstein, Allen Mehlman, Roger Waldman and Lee Reichman.

At the Oneg Shabbat, a forum discussion on the topic, "Judaism on the College Campus" will take place. The reunion of your entire family will be more meaningful if you spend it together at the Synagogue. May we count on the presence of all our members for this outstanding College Service.

Schedule of Religious Services

Friday Evening, December 27 .....8:30 P.M.
"HOW CAN MODERN MAN REDISCOVER GOD?"
College Students Homecoming Service and Oneg Shabbat

Saturday Morning, December 28 .....9:30 A.M.

Friday Evening, January 3 .....8:30 P.M.
"THE MEASURE OF MATURITY"

Saturday Morning, January 4 .....9:30 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Frederick Meyers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Max Meyers

Friday Evening, January 10 .....8:30 P.M.
"MIRACLE ON ALLENBY ROAD"
Upon the One Hundredth Anniversary of the Birth of Eliezer ben Yehuda

Saturday Morning, January 11 .....9:30 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Richard Hurtig, son of Mrs. Renee Hurtig

Rabbi Judah Nadich will speak Friday evenings and preach on the Scriptural Portion each Saturday morning
The Services will be conducted by Rabbi Nadich and Hazzan David J. Putterman, assisted by the Synagogue Choir with Mr. George Crook at the organ

Synagogue Youth Group To Attend Convention

Six delegates representing the Park Avenue Synagogue will be at Chicago from December 25 to December 30 at the United Synagogue Youth Convention. For the first time in the history of USY the Convention will take place over the Sabbath. The theme therefore is very appropriate — "The Sabbath Keep it Holy." Members will participate in panel discussions, forums, and lectures. Social Activities will not be neglected.

We expect these boys and girls to return inspired and better prepared to take over leadership positions in the youth group. The delegates are: Joan Rubinstein, Jeri Rosner, Burt Wolfson, Jane Jacob, Jacki Finkel and Linda Wolfman.

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Dedication of Pentateuchs And Prayer Books

The practice of memorializing the memory of our departed by dedicating our prayer books and Bibles in their names is an old tradition in the synagogue. Recently, mention of this tradition was made from the pulpit and referred to in the BULLETIN. The response from the members of our congregation has been heartwarming.

Many of our members, including the Nathan Gerbers, the Tubie Resnicks, the Charles Weisbergs, Mrs. Leo Rosenhirsch, and the Jerrold R. Goldings have already dedicated prayer books and Bibles in memory of their beloved departed. Mrs. A. Mnunchin made a donation for the specific purpose of purchasing these prayer books.

The new Bibles, edited by the late Dr. Joseph H. Hertz, Chief Rabbi of the British Empire and one of the early graduates of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, have an important advantage over the Bibles heretofore used at our services.

In addition to the Hebrew text and English translation, the new Bibles contain an interesting popular commentary in English, explaining and illuminating in fascinating fashion each significant verse. This commentary of Dr. Hertz is based not only on the work of the great medieval Hebrew commentators, but on modern biblical scholarship and on all branches of knowledge pertaining to the content of the Bible.

The use of these Bibles in the future will make that part of the service devoted to the reading of the Torah a study period for the individual worshipper who chooses to follow the reading of the text and the commentary upon it.

May we recommend this practice to others!

A Word of Appreciation To Hanukkah Committee

By MRS. ABRAHAM STANGEL

Sunday evening, December 22, marked another gala event in the history of the Park Avenue Synagogue—the Siyum Ha-Torah and Hanukkah Party.

After the service in the Synagogue at which two new Torot were donated by Mr. & Mrs. I. M. Cohen and Mr. & Mrs. Solomon E. Green, the evening was climaxed by a splendid Hanukkah Party in the Lemberg Auditorium.

For the smooth fuctioning of this memorable occasion, thanks go to the charming hostesses including Mrs. John Bauer, Mrs. Peter Cats, Mrs. Marcia Nasatir, Mrs. Arthur Morse, Mrs. Samuel Pritz, Mrs. Hector Ritey, Mrs. Robert Rubin, Mrs. Betty Smith and Mrs. Albert Siegel.

Mrs. Bruno Foa and Mrs. Grace Gilbert were responsible for the artistic decorations, and Mrs. David Altschul our gracious master of ceremonies. Also, Mrs. Harry Grunther, who besides her generous contribution of candy, personally arranged for kitchen help as did Mrs. Solomon E. Green. Mrs. Hahn, also a member of this committee, helped secure the delicacies at special rates to the Synagogue. Our thanks also go to Mr. Albert Siegel and Mrs. David Altschul who both helped in the serving, and to Mrs. Nelson Ruttenberg, co-chairman, responsible for this most enjoyable, entertaining evening.

Another feature of the evening was the recitation of a poem written by Mrs. Sidney R. Katz, wife of our executive director, by Rose Millicent Forster, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Emil Forster, active members of our congregation.

Bar Mitzvah Class Meets

The members of the Bar Mitzvah Class who will be Bar Mitzvah or Bat Mitzvah between January, 1958 and July, 1958, will hold their first meeting with Rabbi Judah Nadich on Wednesday, January 8, 1958 from 5:10 to 6 P.M. in room 403 of the Milton Steinberg House.

Rabbi Nadich will discuss with the students the origin of Bar Mitzvah and its significance to the individual and to the Jewish community. The students will also discuss some of the basic concepts of Judaism.

Polio Vaccination

The National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis is concerned about the failure of so many people to take advantage of the Salk vaccine and has requested that the Synagogue Council of America, together with other church groups, bring this to the attention of their congregants.

The Foundation is particularly concerned about children in the Religious Schools as well as adults who do not realize that it is only by getting the entire series of three shots that one can obtain maximal protection against polio.

In the words of the Foundation circular: "It is necessary that we not only urge people to get their initial shot but that they get their second and third shots as well, as it is only through a complete program of vaccination that we can hope ultimately to rid ourselves of the threat of this disease."

In the spirit of public service, we are happy to bring this information to the attention of our congregation through the medium of the BULLETIN.

Education Forum Held By Mr. and Mrs. Club

By MRS. JEROME S. MITTLEMAN

The Mr. and Mrs. Club held an education forum on Tuesday, December 10. Panelists, moderated by Rabbi Judah Nadich, discussed the various types of schools and the individual benefits they offered.

Mr. Wm. C. Swallow, one of the participants, reviewed his conception of the ideal school and represented the private institutions. Mr. Isidor Margolis, another panel member, briefly pointed out his reasons for preferring religious schooling. Our own Mr. Sidney Katz outlined benefits offered by the public school system. Rabbi Nadich conducted an informative question and answer session and summarized the evening's flow of ideas.

The participants are to be thanked for so generously sharing their experiences and judgement so that those attending might carry away thoughts to consider regarding the education so vital to their children.

Sisterhood Dinner-Dance

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families. If you have neglected to send in your reservation, we suggest that you do so at once to make sure that you will be among those present since space is limited.

January 21 Meeting

According to Mrs. Solomon E. Green, president of Sisterhood, and Mrs. Irwin Rome, program chairman, plans are progressing splendidly for the luncheon meeting scheduled for Tuesday, January 21. This is the meeting when Mrs. Judah Nadich will review "Remember Me to God", a novel by Myron S. Kaufmann. Be sure to keep this date open.

Dance Class

This year an unexpected source of income for Sisterhood's annual brunch and theatre party came from the Wednesday evening dance class.

This ambitious project which attracted over thirty eager terpsichoreans was made a reality through the efforts of its charming chairmen: Mrs. Jacob Klein and Mrs. David Altschul. On Wednesday evenings, strains of gay music intrigued many an on-looker to gaze with delight upon their talented friends doing the intricate steps of the rhumba, the cha-cha and even the lindy-hop.

Not only was the dance class a success socially, but also financially and, as a result, the group was able to make a contribution of $200 which Sisterhood's "coffers did fill." Our thanks to those whose contributions made this possible, and to Gertrude Klein and Edith Altschul fo a job well done.

Sisterhood Gift Shop

Sisterhood now boasts its own gift shop, the receipts of which are turned over to the Offering Fund to help the blind, the aged and the infirm.

Chairmen of this important phase of Sisterhood's activities are Mrs. A. Stangel and Mrs. A. Siegel who are on hand before and after every Sisterhood meeting to help you make your selections. Should you wish (and we hope you do) to donate any item to the gift shop, we assure you that your gift will be greatly appreciated. Please remember that your "white elephant" may become some one else's pet!

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL RE-OPENS

HEBREW DEPARTMENT will report back to classes on Tursday, Jan. 2, 1958 at 3:40 P.M.

PRIMARY DEPARTMENT will report back to classes on Sunday, Jan. 5 1958 at 9:45 A.M.

Youth Activities

By PETER SCHWARTZ

Junior Youth Division

Recently, this group held its annual election for officers. The Mapai party was the victor by ten votes, after both parties had presented their respective platforms.

The following were elected as the new officers:

Mike Gelfand ..... *President*
Randy Weingarten ..... *Vice-president*
Jane Jacobs ..... *Treasurer*
Lloyd Feller ..... *Secretary*
Larry Ross ..... *Executive Comm.*
Henry Pincus ..... *Executive Comm.*
Jon Siegel ..... *Executive Comm.*

It will be the duty of the officers and the members of the Executive Committee to coordinate the activities of the junior and senior divisions of the Youth Groups.

Ping Pong Tournament

During the past month, a ping pong and nok-hockey tournament was held by the teen-age clubs, under the able leadership of Mark Siegel. The competition was keen and resulted in several close matches. The final winners were: Harry Pincus in ping pong and Norman Robins in nok-hockey. Each of the winners was presented with a long playing album.

Special Salute To Harry

December 25 is an important date on the calendar for the Sokolow family. This year, it will be the occasion for the celebration of the seventy-fifth birthday of Harry J. Sokolow.

Harry is recognized as one of the stalwarts of the Park Avenue Synagogue. A member of the Board of Trustees for many years, Harry undertook the difficult task as chairman of the Membership Committee to implement the new dues policy adopted by the Board. That he succeeded in this arduous assignment was an accomplishment for which we shall be ever grateful.

United Synagogue Adopts New Programs

The recently completed biennial convention of the United Synagogue of America representing conservative congregations in the United States took steps in new directions.

One of the most significant decisions dealt with a resolution approving the formation of a world council of synagogues, generally following the orientation of the conservative movement in the United States. Representatives from eight other countries participated in the discussion preceding that decision.

The convention also went on record establishing a code of standards for synagogue practice following a vigorous debate. This will undoubtedly be the subject of debate in the months to come.

In an obviously different direction, a challenging report by Mr. I. B. Oseas, vice-chairman of the United Synagogue and president of their committee on the philosophy of conservative Judaism, a member of our Board of Trustees, presented an approach, the tenor of which ran counter to setting synagogue standards and relying upon the authority of others to set them. Mr. Oseas's report on Conservative philosophy was read in his absence to a plenary session of the convention and it was approved.

Sidney R. Katz, delegate from our synagogue to the convention, was on the program as consultant in the seminar on "Recruiting and Retaining Members." Hazzan David J. Putterman was chairman of another seminar on "Music for Your Synagogue." Mr. Katz also served as one of the staff consultants for congregations seeking advice in various administrative matters.

RESERVE
Friday Evening, January 31
8:30 P.M.
Inauguration of
Jewish Music Month
Musical Service
in honor of
Lazare Saminsky
Music Director, Temple Emanu-El,
New York City
Composer - Conductor - Lecturer

We are happy to join with his family and many friends in wishing Harry good health and extending our sincere congratulations and best wishes. A special *mazeltov* to you, Harry!

Parents Association News

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

Many mothers braved one of the season's worst storms recently to attend the Hanukkah Workshop sponsored by the Parents Association. Compliments were heard from each guest who entered the Sisterhood Lounge in the Milton Steinberg House, which had been appropriately decorated in celebration of Hanukkah.

Chairman of this project and originator of the charming, symbolic decorations was our talented Regina Stangel, who had created the traditional festival spirit with her appropriate centerpieces, menorahs, dreidels, games and recipes.

After a word of greeting, Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer., president of the Parents Group, introduced Rabbi Nadish, who explained the history and the significance of Hanukkah. Hazzan David Putterman taught the blessings to be said over the lights, and the melodies which the family can sing to make the holiday more festive.

Mrs. Stangel told of the joy her interest in creating these decorations had brought to her and her family and urged all mothers to enrich the lives of their children by the traditional observance of the Hanukkah festival in the home.

New Lecture Series

"What shall I tell my child?" How often have all of us been faced with perplexing questions that seem impossible to answer! Now we have an opportunity to learn the appropriate replies to queries from our inquisitive youngsters. As an old proverb tells us, "He that nothing questioneth, nothing learneth."

Rabbi Nadich will conduct a series of monthly lectures on this topic, the first of which will be given on Tuesday, January 7, at 1:15 P.M. in the Lemberg Auditorium. All are welcome.

Synagogue Greets Jewish and Christian Neighbors

Passers by, who look at our bulletin board during the last two weeks of this month, will note that the Synagogue has greeted our Jewish and non-Jewish neighbors with the following inscription:

Hanukkah Greetings to Our Jewish Friends and Neighbors.

Christmas Greetings to Our Christian Friends and Neighbors.

Three Congregants Recently Honored

Saul Horowitz, Jr., son of Saul Horowitz, member of our Board of Trustees, was added to the Board of Directors of the 92nd Street Y.

Arthur Cohen, son of I. M. Cohen, one of our trustees, was recently named as one of the three Jewish scholars to serve in an advisory capacity on a special study being undertaken by the Fund for the Republic.

Irving Mitchell Felt, a member of the Advisory Council of our Board of Trustees, was recently elected as president of the Jewish Child Care Association. This group, which serves 1,500 children a year, is affiliated with the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies of New York.

Head of the investment company, Graham-Paige Corporation, Mr. Felt has devoted much of his energy in behalf of various charitable, religious and communal activities. His election as president of one of Federation's important agencies is a well deserved tribute, and we, in the Park Avenue Synagogue, are happy to join in extending Mr. Felt our congratulations.

Federation Honors Selig

Milton J. Selig, vice-president of the Association of Master Painters and Decorators of New York, was the guest of honor at a recent dinner held by the Painters Division of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies of the City of New York.

Mr. Selig, an active member of the Park Avenue Synagogue for many years and who has served on several of its committees, was honored by his associates for his efforts on behalf of Federation.

The guest speaker at the dinner was Mr. Saul Horowitz, Jr., son of Saul Horowitz, a member of our Board of Trustees and head of H.R.H. Construction Co. Mr. Horowitz, Jr. is a leader in the building and construction field and an associate chairman of the overall 1957-1958 Federation Campaign.

Condolences

Donald C. Mendelson — death of sister Lita Sabath

Mrs. Bertha Posner—death of husband Morris Posner

Hilde Rosenhirsch—death of mother

RESERVE THIS DATE

Tuesday, January 21, at 12 noon

Sisterhood Open Meeting and Luncheon

Mrs. Judah Nadich

guest speaker, will review the novel,

"Remember Me To God"

by Myron S. Kaufmann

College Youth Party

The College Party which will take place on Thursday, December 26 should fulfill all the hopes and expectations of its sponsors. It should be a great success. The young people will be happy to meet old friends and exchange notes on happenings since their last meeting. An excellent supper will be served by the committee of parents under the chairmanship of Mrs. Harry Zucker and Mrs. Nelson Ruttenberg. Mr. David Altschul once again has volunteered his services in persuading the students of the superior value of his "Punch" over other types of cocktails. It should be a wonderful evening for all.

Congratulations

Mr. James Filler — upon his marriage to Claire Littman

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Starkman — upon the engagement of their daughter Susan to Mr. Irwin B. Robins

Harry J. Sokolow on the 75th Anniversary of his birthday, December 25.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Allan—30th Wedding Anniversary, December 26

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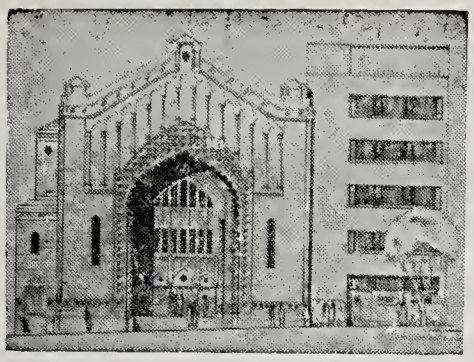

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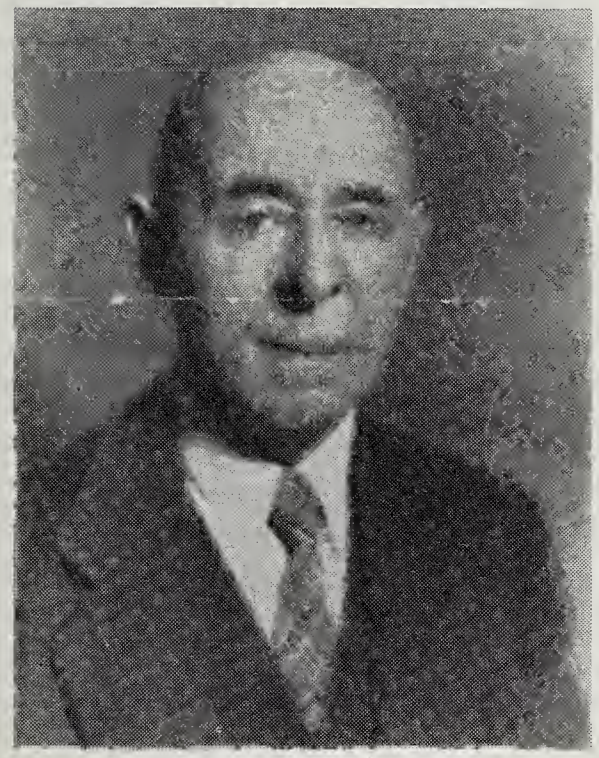

LAZARE SAMINSKY

Lazare Saminsky To Be Honored At Friday Evening Service, January 31, In Celebration of Jewish Music Month

Jacob Friedman Yahrzeit Observed January 17

The Friday Evening Service to be held on January 17 will be in memory of the late Jacob Friedman, Jr., who served as our devoted and beloved president for almost thirty years.

The occasion will be his first yahrzeit and tribute will be paid to his memory at our religious service that evening.

Mr. Milton Weill, honorary member of the Board of Trustees, will join Rabbi Judah Nadich on the pulpit and will participate in the program. The topic of

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On Friday evening, January 31 at 8:30 P. M. our synagogue will inaugurate the celebration of Jewish Music Month. The entire service will consist of a tribute to the nationally famous composer—lecturer—conductor, Mr. Lazare Saminsky, music director of Temple Emanu-El of New York City.

Mr. Saminsky is presently completing fifty years of dedicated work in behalf of Jewish music.

Although he is also celebrating his seventy-fifth birthday, in his own words he states that this is "purely a casual and not cheerful matter."

The service will consist of music from his "Sabbath Evening Service" and he will speak on "Jewish Sacred Song: Present and Vistas."

Lazare Saminsky was born near Odessa, Russia, of a cultured and religious family of sea-traders, related on both sides of the family to eminent rabbis, among them Schneur Zalmon of Liosno, founder of Habad Hassidism. His higher education was received at St. Peterburg University and the Conservatory of Music—under Rimsky-Korsakov, in composition and orchestration. In his early years as a student, he became deeply interested in Jewish music. In 1908 he was a founder of the Jewish Folksong Society and as its first secretary and art chairman, he contributed much to research in and publication of Jewish compositions.

His major composer's debuts were in Koussevitsky's concerts in Moscow and in the Imperial Opera (1917), conducting his First Symphony. He became director of the Tiflis State Conservatory in the same year, leaving this post in 1919. After a year in London as music director of the Duke of York's and lecturer at Oxford University College, he emigrated to the United States in 1920.

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Schedule of Religious Services

Friday Evening, January 17 . . . . . 8:30 P. M.
"Portrait of a Leader"
A Memorial to Jacob Friedman
Rabbi Nadich and Mr. Milton Weill, will speak

Saturday Morning, January 18 . . . . . 9:30 A. M.
Bar Mitzvah of Michael Botein, son of Justice and Mrs. Bernard Botein

Friday Evening, January 24 . . . . . 8:30 P. M.
Dr. Samuel Blumenfield
Director of the Department of Education and Culture of the Jewish Agency will speak on
"Jewish Education — Luxury or Necessity?"
Parents Association Service and Oneg Shabbat

Saturday Morning, January 25 . . . . . 9:30 A. M.
Bar Mitzvah of Richard Levy, son of Mrs. Saul Levy

Friday Evening, January 31 . . . . . 8:30 P. M.
"A Tribute To A Jewish Composer"
Honoring Lazare Saminsky upon 50 years of his musical career and in observance of Jewish Music Month

Saturday Morning, February 1 . . . . . 9:30 A. M.
Bar Mitzvah of David Karpf, son of Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Karpf

Rabbi Judah Nadich will speak Friday evenings and preach on the Scriptural Portion each Saturday morning
The Services will be conducted by Rabbi Nadich and Hazzan David J. Putterman, assisted by the Synagogue Choir with Mr. George Crook at the organ

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Jacob Friedman Yahrzeit

The first Yahrzeit of the late Jacob Friedman, Jr. will be observed at the Friday Evening Services to be held at our synagogue on January 17.

Uncle Jacob, as he was affectionately known to most of our congregation, served as president of the Park Avenue Synagogue from 1918 to 1948. During his tenure of office, which covered a period of thirty years, he rendered devoted service to our synagogue and inspired those who were associated with him in carrying on the tradition of our institution. At the time of his death, he held the position of Honorary President, a post to which he was elected at the time of his retirement in 1948.

At our 75th anniversary celebration, Mr. Milton Weill, in reviewing the history of the Park Avenue Synagogue, referred in these words to the great part that Uncle Jacob played in the growth of our institution:

> "Those of us who had the inspiring thrill of being associated with him recall that literally and figuratively he gave everything that he had to the growth and development of the Park Avenue Synagogue. Who will ever forget that for year after year, he personally conducted or rendered what became famous at that time, as the Kol Nidre appeals? I would say that no anniversary, now or in the future, would be complete without our reverent and affectionate salute to his memory."

As we look about us and see the increased activities in our synagogue and in the Milton Steinberg House, dedicated to the memory of our beloved Rabbi Milton Steinberg, we cannot help but be aware of the great contribution which was made by those who gave so much of themselves in the building of the future of Park Avenue Synagogue. Let the memory of Jacob Friedman, Jr. be an inspiration to us to continue to build on the solid foundation which others have left us. —N.R.

City-Wide Conference on Adult Jewish Education

A city-wide Conference on Adult Jewish Education was held by the New York Metropolitan Council of the United Synagogue of America on Sunday, January 12, 1958 at the Forest Hills Jewish Center, Forest Hills, Long Island.

This Conference was in the form of a public hearing on the status, needs and direction of Adult Jewish Education in the Conservative congregations of New York, and was a follow-up on an intensive survey recently conducted by the Adult Education Committee.

Rabbis, adult education chairmen, educational directors and other congregational leaders interested in this vital subject attended the conference.

Presentations at the Conference were made by Mr. Saul Godwin, Park Avenue Synagogue; Rabbis Jack J. Cohen, The Society for the Advancement of Judaism and Myron Fenster, Jackson Heights Jewish Center, Consultants to the Adult Education Committee; Rabbi Marvin Wiener, Director of the National Academy for Adult Jewish Studies; Rabbi Ben-Zion Bokser, Forest Hills Jewish Center; Mr. Sol Jacobson, East Midwood Jewish Center.

Mr. Godwin, chairman of the Metropolitan Council's Adult Education Committee, is a member of the Board of Trustees of the Park Avenue Synagogue and also served as chairman of its adult education program for several years.

Religious Query Omitted From '60 Federal Census

Following a nation wide protest, including a strong stand taken by the United Synagogue of America at its recent convention, the director of the Bureau of Census withdrew a proposed query on religion for the forthcoming 1960 census.

All national Jewish organizations had opposed inclusion of the religious inquiry on the ground that it violated the separation of church and state and the privacy of conscience.

Protestant groups were on both sides of the question, and Catholic organizations had been in favor of including the question.

Book-Marks

(From time to time the BULLETIN *will print under the above heading information concerning new and old books worth reading. Such books should be purchased for your home or they may be borrowed from the Cohen Library of the Park Avenue Synagogue.)*

A winter evening is a good time to sit in a comfortable chair at home and read an interesting book. One of the most important books in American Jewish literature has just been republished in a new edition—*Judaism As A Civilization* by Mordecai M. Kaplan. If you have not read this book as yet, it should be on your required reading list for 1958. The distinguished founder of the Reconstructionist movement, for half a century professor at the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, in this book explains his philosophy of Judaism. There are many to whom the word, "Reconstructionism," is familiar, but its ideas unknown. The new appearance of this classical work offers a splendid opportunity for acquiring the kind of information which ought to be the intellectual possession of the alert American.

A new book with a sociological approach is titled *American Judaism* by Nathan Glazer. It offers a brief historical survey of the development of Reform, Orthodox and Conservative Judaism in this country, a sketchy analysis and a prognostication for the future.

One hundred years ago this month a man was born who has excercised a profound influence upon the State of Israel and the culture of Jews everywhere. Eliezer ben Yehuda set before himself the seemingly impossible task of transforming Hebrew from the written language of scholars to the spoken language of a living people. Before his death he was witness to the realization of his dream. This year, marking the centennial of his birth, would be a good time to read the interesting fictionalized biography of him written by Robert St. John entitled, *Tongue of the Prophets.*

A new attractive book has just appeared with the title, *Prayer, Humility and Compassion* by the young Conservative rabbi of Springfield, Massachusetts, Rabbi Samuel Dresner. Making good use of the rich treasure-trove of Hasidic story, parable and wise teaching, the book makes for enjoyable reading. Ilya Schor has done the beautiful illustrations.

Adult Education Spring Session Continues; Dr. Baron To Lecture On "The Modern Age"

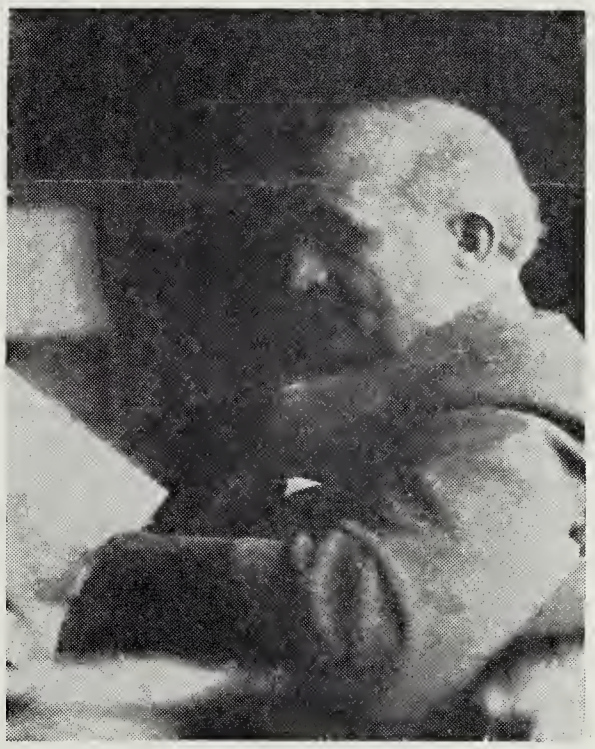
BY HOWARD KIEVAL

The second half of the 1957-58 Adult Education program began last Monday evening, January 13, in the Milton Steinberg House. One additional Hebrew course has been added at the 8 P. M. hour, in order to take care of the unexpectedly large number of applicants for the elementary "Hebrew Through Pictures" course. Hazzan Putterman will lead an eight session series in the Cantillations, the blessings for those called to the reading of the Torah and the Haftorah. This latter course is open to women as well as men. A course in conversational Hebrew is also offered at the same time.

Dr. Abraham S. Halkin, Associate Professor of Jewish History at the Jewish Theological Seminary, and Professor of Hebrew at City College, continued his discussion on "The European Age." Dr. Halkin will cover the period from the eight and ninth centuries right down to the French Revolution, in relationship to the development of the Jewish people throught Europe, from Spain to Russia, and from Greece and Turkey to Scandinavia. In many ways, some of the most spectacular literary and theological flowering of the four thousand year history of the Jewish people took place during this period in Europe. Often it occurred under very trying conditions, where one might not have expected the results which actually developed.

The next lecturer in the Major Series will be Dr. Salo W. Baron, who will speak on the evenings of January 27, February 3 and February 10. Dr. Baron, long a familiar figure on the lecture platform, is Professor of History at Columbia University, and Director of the Center of Israeli Studies there. He has been a most prolific author, and since 1939, Professor Baron has been Editor of Jewish Social Studies, a scholarly journal which is published quarterly.

Professor Baron will deal with the modern stages of Jewish history, from about 1800 to the present day. The development of intellctual, economic, and political freedom during the 19th and 20th centuries has had a more profound effeet on Jewish thought and Jewish living than has been the case on many other cultural groups in Europe and Asia. In the first place, the destruction



DR. SALO W. BARON

of the ghetto brought the Jews into contact with other people and with non-Jewish ideas to a greater degree than had been true for over a thousand years. Changing patterns of religious organization; the growth of Reform and Conservative Judaism; the entire impact of industrialization and the new finance on Jewish behavior and attitudes; the rise of internal weakening forces to Jewish solidarity . . . Dr. Baron will cover all these in his three lectures at the Park Avenue Synagogue.

The Adult Education Committee is under the chairmanship of Sidney J. Silberman, with Mrs. Arthur Morse and Howard A. Kieval serving as associate chairmen.

Dr. Judah Nadich will conclude this series with two lectures on "Retrospect and Prospect" to be delivered on February 17 and February 24.

Books At A Glance

BY HILDE KISCH, *Librarian*

During the last weeks, the Cohen Library has again added many interesting and valuable books to its collection, and a constant flow of new publication, and of course, also expected for the future. Only a few can be mentioned here.

We have been fortunate in acquiring two out-of-print items, both standard works in their respective fields: *Jewish Life in the Middle Ages,* by Israel Abrahams, published in 1896 by the Macmillan Company in London, presents all aspects of the Jews' activities, their social standing, inter-communal affairs, and relations with Christians from the beginning of the Middle Ages to the 17th century.. In *A History of Medieval Jewish Philosophy,* Isaac Husik interprets the ideas of such medieval thinkers as Isaac Israeli, Solomon Ibn Gabirol, Judah Halevi, Maimonides, and Levi Ben Gerson from their own point of view, conditioned by their history, environment, and the literary influenees they experienced.

Among the recently published additions is David de Sola Pool's *Why I Am a Jew,* in which the author sets forth a synthesis of the religious, historic, cultural, and emotional consciousness of the Jew and his own joy at being one. In *Their Brothers' Keepers,* Philip Friedman relates the stories of the many selfless Christian humanitarians who tried to help and to save their Jewish brethren threatened by the scourge of Nazidom. There is also Nathan and Marynn Ausubel's *A Treasury of Jewish Poetry from Biblical Times to the Present,* with an introduction by the authors that provides a survey of Jewish poets and poetry throughout the ages. Itzhak Ben-Zvi, President of Israel, in *The Exiled and the Redeemed,* presents us with a study of the Jewish communities which have been for centuries on the periphery of Jewish life: those in Moslem countries, the sects of the Samaritans, Sabbateans, and Karaites, and certain groups of Jewish extraction who were forced by their Moslem conquerors to adopt the Moslem faith. The role of the State of Israel in "the ingathering of the exiles" is also treated. In *Hebrew Man,* Ludwig Kohler, an outstanding Bible scholar, deals with the thought, physical characteristics, religion, and folkways

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Synagogue College Group

BY HYMAN SANKEL

College Reunion

Thirty-three college were represented at the party held for college men and women of our congregation on December 26. It once again reunited boys and girls who had been associated with the Synagogue, the Religious School, and our Youth Activities program. It was an enjoyable evening for all who attended. It provided Rabbi Judah Nadich with an opportunity for meeting these young people. He welcomed the group and spoke to them briefly about our program for college students.

The committee which prepared the dinner included Mrs. Herman Helpern, Chairman of the Youth Activities Division, Mrs. Nelson Ruttenberg, Mrs. Harry Zucker who were Chairmen of the event and Mrs. Abraham Blau, Mrs. Al Siegel, Mrs. David Altschul and Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer. Mr. David Altschul and Mr. Al Siegel also assisted. Miss Doris Wimpfheimer was Chairman of the Hostess Committee.

"A Believing Jew" Presented

College students who attended the Friday Evening Service held in their honor on December 27 were awarded a Hanukkah gift in the form of Milton Steinberg's "A Believing Jew." Each book was appropriately inscribed by officials of the Synagogue.

It is hoped that this gift will stimulate the college men and women of our congregation to develop their own Jewish book collection. This practice of presenting a book of Jewish interest to college students attending the annual service will be continued each year.

Joe Weinstein Honored at NYU Anniversary Dinner

At the twentieth anniversary dinner of the Jewish Culture Foundation of New York University, Gold Keys of Merit Awards were presented to outstanding men and women for their "loyality, devotion, and support of Jewish culture and interfaith ideals." One of the recipients of this award was Joe Weinstein, a member of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

Mr. Weinstein, chairman of the board of Mays Department Store, has been identified with religious, philanthropic and cultural activities for many years and we are proud to join in extending our congratulations to one of our congregants who has been desigrated for this signal honor.

The New York University Jewish Cultural Foundation was founded in 1937. Its program includes extracurricular activities, cooperation with the academic program offered in the School of Education's department of Hebrew culture and education, and the maintenance of the Library of Judaica and Hebraica at the University's Center at Washington Square, New York City.

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Israeli U. N. Delegate Guest of Mr. & Mrs. Club

BY MRS. JEROME S. MITTLEMAN

Mr. Mordecai R. Kidron, Minister Plenipotentiary and Deputy Permanent Representative of Israel at the United Nations, discussed Israel and the Mid-East at a meeting of the Mr. and Mrs. Club on Tuesday evening, January 14.

Born in South Africa in 1915, Mr. Kidron was educated there and at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem. In World War II, he served in the Jerusa-African forces and, after demobilization, joined the Political Department of the Jewish Agency for Palestine in Jerusalem where he was employed until the establishment of the State of Israel in 1948.

During the War for Independence in 1947 and 1948, Mr. Kidron served on the staff of the Israeli Army brigade headquarters in Jerusalem and as Military Governor of North Jerusalem during the siege.

In September 1953, he came to the United States as Deputy Permanent Representative of Israel to the United Nations in New York.

Mr. Kidron's presentation of the present situation in Israel and the promising vistas of the future was enthusiastically received by the audience.

MEN'S CLUB
February Meeting
Tuesday, February 25
at 8:30 P. M.
Keep this date open

SCHEDULE OF ADULT EDUCATION COURSES — SPRING SESSION

All courses are given on Monday evenings
January 13, January 20, January 27, 1958
February 3, February 10, February 17, February 24, 1958

7-8 P.M. HEBREW THROUGH PICTURES
BY MR. REUBEN R. SINGER

8-9 P.M.
MY MR. A. KABAACHNIK

8-9 P.M. CONVERSATIONAL HEBREW
BY MR. BEN BENARI

8-9 P.M. THE CANTILLATIONS
BY HAZZAN DAVID J. PUTTERMAN

9-10 P.M. THE MAJOR LECTURE SERIES:

"THE EUROPEAN AGE"
BY DR. ABRAHAM S. HALKIN
JANUARY 13, JANUARY 20

"THE MODERN AGE"
BY DR. SALO W. BARON
January 27, February 3, February 10

"Retrospect And Prospect"
BY DR. JUDAH NADICH
FEBRUARY 17, FEBRUARY 24

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Religious School News

By MARTIN LEICHTLING, *Principal*

Jewish Theatre for Children

The students in the Hebrew Departmen of the Religious School will attend a performance of "Two Tales" at the Joan of Arc Playhouse, 154 West 93 Street, on Sunday, February 2, 1958 at 2:30 P.M.

"Two Tales" is probably the most colorful production staged by the Jewish Theatre for Children in its thirteen-year history. It consists of two plays dramatizing legends of King Solomon—ancient Israel's Age of Glory. The plays have music composed by Robert Starer, a noted composer whose works have been played by the New York Philharmonic, and by Jedidjah Admon, dean of Israeli composers.

The plays, which are presented in English by professional actors, appeal to children of all ages. Parents of our younger students in the Primary Department will find that a visit to the Theatre on a Sunday afternoon, with their children, will be a valuable and stimulating Jewish cultural experience for the entire family.

Open School Week

The Jewish Education Committee of New York has announced "Open School Week" for visits of parents to our religious schools to coincide with the week of Tu B'Shevat.

The students of our Primary Department will play host to their parents on Sunday, February 2 between 9:45 and 12 noon. Visitors to the school will have an opportunity to observe the instruction and to discuss with the teachers the curriculum of the class and the work of the individual students.

Parents of students in the Hebrew Department are invited to visit the classes during the afternoon session on Wednesday, February 5 and Thursday, February 6.

Hazzan Putterman Married To Rea Racoosin

Hazzan David J. Putterman was married in a private ceremony in the Chapel of our Synagogue, Saturday night, December 28 to Mrs. Rea Racoosin, the widow of the late Mr. Abram W. Racoosin, who was a brother of the late Amy B. Putterman.

Rabbis Albert I. Gordon, Judah Nadich and Hazzan Abraham Friedman officiated.

Mrs. Nadich To Review "Remember Me To God"

BY RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

The next open meeting of Sisterhood will take place on Tuesday, January 21, 12 P. M., in the Lemberg Auditorium of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

Following luncheon, which will be served at noon, Mrs. Judah Nadich will review "Remember Me To God," a novel by Myron S. Kaufmann. Now in its fifth printing, this best-seller tells about a Harvard young man of Jewish birth whose aim in life, says the New York World-Telegram, "is to join the world of the George Apleys—at whatever cost." Another reviewer has described this novel "as Myron S. Kaufmann's literary exploration of the problem of Jewish adjustment to American life."

Sisterhood has been fortunate to have Mrs. Nadich review this book and discuss its implications. A question and answer period with audience participation will follow her talk. This promises to be a most provocative discussion and should stimulate a great deal of serious thought.

Dinner-Dance Report

Orchids to Mrs. Samuel Gellert, chairman, and her fine committee for making the Sisterhood Dinner-Dance on January 12 such a success!

The large number who attended agreed that the delicious buffet-supper, the intriguing dance instruction, the warm spirit of good fellowship that invaded the Lemberg Auditorium made this party one of the gayest ever held in the Synagogue.

Sisterhood has set a fine precedent, and no doubt will be urged to plan other such enjoyable, social evenings.

Jacob Friedman Yahrzeit

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their talk will be a "Portrait of a Leader," as a memorial to the late Mr. Friedman.

A plaque will be affixed to the seat occupied by the late Mr. Friedman, reading:

"Jacob Friedman, Jr.
Humanitarian — Philanthropist — Idealist — Worshipped from this seat for 55 years and served the Congregation as its president from 1918 to 1948."

Saminsky To Be Honored

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His activities here are well known. He has appeared as guest conductor with the New York Philharmonic, the Detroit, Washington and Cleveland Symphonies. He was founder of the League of Composers and of the Three Choir Festival. He has been music director at Temple Emanu-El since 1923. He has written the book "Music of the Ghetto and the Bible," one of the most important works on Jewish music.

An Oneg Shabbat will follow in the Lemberg Auditorium so that our worshippers may have an opportunity to be received by Mr. Saminsky.

Rosenthal Estate Legacy Of $2500 To Synagogue

At the last meeting of the Board of Trustees, Judge Sanford H. Cohen, chairman of the Law Committee, announced that the Park Avenue Synagogue had been designated as the beneficiary of $2,500 legacy by the late Julius Rosenthal in his last Will and Testament.

The bequest was an outright gift but the Board decided to place a memorial tablet in memory of the late Mr. Rosenthal on the main plaque in the lobby of the Milton Steinberg House.

Although Mr. Rosenthal was not a member of the Synagogue, he was identified with it through members of his family who worshipped with us. That he included the Park Avenue Synagogue in the list of his legatees in such a generous manner indicates the high esteem in which he held our institution.

RESERVE

Tuesday, February 25
at 1:15 P. M.

Parents Association

Lecture Series

Rabbi Judah Nadich
will discuss

"WHAT SHALL I TELL MY CHILD ABOUT DEATH AND IMMORTALITY"

All are welcome

Lemberg Auditorium

Parents Association News

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

New Lecture Series

Under the auspices of the Parents Association, Rabbi Nadich began a series of monthly lectures on various phases of that important, often baffling topic: "What shall I tell my Child?"

The first of this series took place on January 5. These discussions will begin punctually at 1:15 P.M., and those who plan to attend are requested to be seated in the Lemberg Auditorium by that time. Each lecture will last no longer than an hour. All are invited, and it is hoped that a great number of mothers will avail themselves of this splendid opportunity to learn the appropriate answers to the questions posed by their inquiring youngsters.

The following subjects will be discussed by Rabbi Nadich on the afternoons noted:

February 25—"What Shall I Tell My Child About Death and Immortality?"

March 26—"What Shall I Tell My Child About Religion in the Home?"

April 23—"What Shall I Tell My Child About Passover and the Festivals?"

May 21—"What Shall I Tell My Child About Anti-Semitism and Why People Hate?"

Purim Workshop

Before you know it, Purim will be here with the usual Purim festivities. Perhaps your child has already urged you to get his costume for the annual Purim Party at the Synagogue.

For all mothers who have to meet the problem of creating Queen Esther, King Ahasueres, Haman and Mordecai costumes, the Parents Association has the solution. Mrs. A. Stangel, so well known for her creative genius, has promised once again to conduct a Purim Workshop several weeks before Purim. Here you will be able to buy your child's costume at a very nominal price. To insure just the costume you want, we suggest you phone Mrs. Stangel (Sa 2-6335) to place your order in advance.

Congratulations

Mr. and Mrs. Irving Gulack-birth of daughter Gaila Susan

Business Ethics To Be Discussed By Men's Club

By HARVEY GLASSER

Mr. William F. Mills, Jr., from the public relations and sales department of the National Better Business Bureau, will discuss the topic: "Fostering and promoting ethical business standards," at the January 28 meeting of Men's Club in the Lemberg Auditorium at 8:30 P. M. Your friends are welcome.

Most people are aware of the name Better Business Bureau but few realize the important functions it serves. This organization encourages voluntary self-regulation of business and business ethics. The idea behind it all is to build public confidence in business and business systems.

Mr. Mills will discuss his organization's work in those areas where there are (1) direct violations of law or rules and regulations, and (2) where the business activity is not in violation of the law but is, nevertheless, misleading to the public.

Our guest speaker is a native New Yorker, now residing at Oyster Bay, L. I. He attended NYC public schools and received batchelor's and master's degrees from Hofstra College. Mr. Mills is married, has one child and is active in his community's affairs, being a past-president of the Civic Association and a member of PTA.

If you have ever been prompted to say, "I think this should be reported to the Better Business Bureau," this is your chance to find out what would have happened if you had done so.

On February 25, Men's Club will be privileged to present an informative talk on the Middle East by the Assistant Director of the Turkish Information Office. Watch for further details in the next issue of the Bulletin.

Books At A Glance

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of the people of the Bible. *The Bible in Art* (Phaidon Publishers, London) contains excellent reproductions of paintings, drawings and miniatures on Biblical themes by the greatest artists of all times.

I am glad to conclude this short survey by expressing my best thanks to Mr. Milton Weill for his efforts in securing for the Library an autographed copy of Eddie Cantor's autobiography, *Take My Life*.

Parents Ass'n Sponsors Service, Friday, Jan. 24

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

On January 24, the Parents Association will sponsor the Friday Evening Service at the Park Avenue Synagogue. Through the years, this service, always well attended, has become known as Family Night when parents and their families come together to worship.

Dr. Samuel M. Blumenfield, well known author and lecturer, will be the guest speaker. He is now director of the Department of Education and Culture of the Jewish Agency. Prior to his present post, Dr. Blumenfield served for a number of years as president of the National Council for Jewish Education, The Chicago Rabbinical Association, and The College of Jewish Studies of Chicago.

Dr. Blumenfield has written several books among which are *Maimonides the Educator, John Dewey and Jewish Education*, and *Israel* and *the American Jew*. He has also been a contributor to many magazines, including the *Jewish Education Magazine and the Reconstructionist*.

Several members of the Parents Group will participate in the reading of the prayers. Following the services, an Oneg Shabbat will be held in the Lemberg Auditorium. There will be a symposium based upon the lecture with a question and answer period, which should evoke keen interest.

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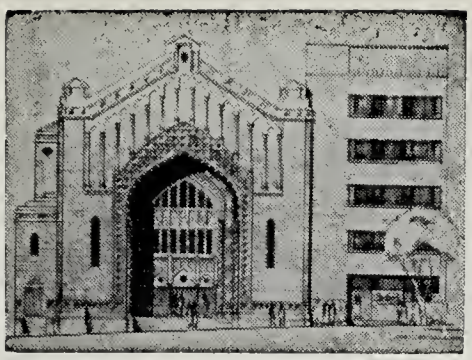

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UJA Women's Division Launches 1958 Campaign

The Women's Division of the United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York will launch its 1958 campaign on Monday, February 17, in the grand ballroom of the Sheraton-Astor Hotel. More than 3,000 leaders of the women's organizations in the metropolitan area are expected to attend this opening rally.

The crisis which looms over the Jewish world today has placed greater obligations on American Jewry than ever before. The most immediate problem concerns 70,000 Jews in Eastern Europe, North Africa, and other Moslem areas who must be brought to safety in Israel and other free lands next year.

This rescue operation must be carried out at a time when Israel's people are being pressed by the hostility of their neighbors to maintain a costly national defense system.

Leaders of the UJA, aroused by these grave responsibilities, are calling for all-out support of the 1958 campaign. The Women's Division of UJA plays a vital role in this effort to insure the survival of the tens of thousands of endangered

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Rabbi Nadich To Give Lecture Series At Friday Evening Services, Commencing February 7

Rabbi Judah Nadich will give a series of lectures at the regular Friday evening services, commencing on Friday, February 7, and continuing on the following Friday evenings, February 14 and 21.

The series will deal with the attitudes of Jewish tradition in three basic areas of contemporary concern: the family, integration, and the relations between capital and labor.

The first lecture on Friday evening, February 7, will deal with the subject: "What Does Judaism Have to Say About the Family?" Rabbi Nadich will also include a discussion on juvenile violence in the schools today.

The following Friday evening, February 14, Rabbi Nadich will discuss "What Does Judaism Have to Say About Integration?" and the final lecture in this series will be given Friday evening, February 21, on the relations between capital and labor.

It should be of interest to see where Judaism can help us in our formulation of our own ideas on these vital modern problems.

Milton Steinberg Series Planned For March

The annual lecture series in memory of our late beloved Rabbi Milton Steinberg will be held this year on Monday, March 3, Monday, March 10 and Friday, March 21.

In view of the fact that Jewry the world-over will be celebrating this year the Tenth Anniversary of the State of Israel and because the love of Zion was one of the motivating forces in the life and thought of Rabbi Steinberg, the series this year will center about the theme of Zionism and the Jewish State. The names of the prominent lecturers who will participate in this series will be announced in a future issue of the BULLETIN.

This advance notice is being made now so that the members of the Park Avenue Synagogue and all those who honor the memory of Rabbi Steinberg will be able now to reserve in their calendar the first two Monday evenings of March and the third Friday evening, when the eighth *yahrzeit* will be observed.

Schedule of Religious Services

Friday Evening, February 7 . . . . . 8:30 P.M.
"What Does Judaism Have to Say About the Family?"
And a Comment on Juvenile Violence in the Schools

Saturday Morning, February 8 . . . . . 9:30 A.M.

Friday Evening, February 14 . . . . . 8:30 P.M.
"What Does Judaism Have to Say About Integration?"
A Lincoln's Birthday sermon

Saturday Morning, February 15 . . . . . 9:30 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of David Lazaar, son of Mrs. Selma Lazaar

Rabbi Judah Nadich will speak Friday evenings and preach on the Scriptural Portion each Saturday morning.
The Services will be conducted by Rabbi Nadich and Hazzan David J. Putterman, assisted by the Synagogue Choir with Mr. George Crook at the organ.

RESERVE THIS DATE

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25

8:30 P. M.

MEN'S CLUB MEETING

NEZIH MANYAS

Assistant Director of
Turkish Information Office
in New York Ctiy

will discuss aspects
of
Turkey's foreign policy

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Message From Our Board Chairman

Dear Congregants:

One of the problems which has faced our Board of Trustees for many years is the "hand to mouth living" philosophy concerning our synagogue budget. During the past twenty years, we had been receiving just about enough dues from our congregational members to meet our annual budget. For such cooperation and devotion we are very grateful indeed. But should we be content with this arrangement alone? Would any businessman be satisfied to run his personal affairs without a plan of insurance against future disaster? I think not. Yet, the membership of our congregation has until now permitted itself to drift along, unmindful of what the future may bring.

Accordingly, I have recently appointed a Committee on Gifts, Wills and Bequests, whose job it will be to seek and obtain gifts through donations during ones lifetime, as well as bequests in ones Will. Fortunately, the policy of our government has been to encourage voluntary giving and our tax laws have actually been written to promote charitable contributions by making the tax cost to the donor surprisingly low.

The Committee on Gifts, Wills and Bequests met recently and discussed a program of procedure. You will shortly be receiving a brochure through the mail outlining how and the type of gifts which may be made to Park Avenue Synagogue. Won't you please study the brochure and discuss it with any of our Committee members? We know in our hearts that the bulwark against spiritual corrosion and assimilation is the synagogue. Is it then not the time now to prepare ourselves with a reserve fund from which deficits could be met—from which improvements could be made—from which scholarships and chairs may be endowed—and to finally create an incentive for the future generations who will succeed us?

The Committee consists of the following members:

Hon. Maxwell Shapiro, Chairman
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Joseph Mandelbaum
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Milton Weill
Rabbi Judah Nadich, Advisory

May we have your individual and cooperative help in this undertaking?

JOSEPH HOWARD KATZ
Chairman, Board of Trustees

Torah Crown Presented To Jewish Museum

A unique eighteenth century Polish Torah Crown, an important part of the traditional dressing of the Torah Scroll, has been donated to the Jewish Museum by Dr. Harry G. Friedman, noted collector of New York City.

The Museum's new acquisition was executed by George Kahlert, a Master of Breslau, Germany, in 1750. It is of silver gilt with cut-out aplique and repousse work inlaid with semi-precious stones and stands 16 inches high. Biblical figure representations in relief depict Abraham and Isaac (the sacrifice of Isaac), Jacob (Jacob's Dream), Moses, Aaron, David and Solomon. This is the sixth such Torah crown with figure decorations to be recovered. Of the five known remaining crowns containing the rare pattern, two are at the Jewish Museum, two are known to be in Warsaw, Poland, and one has been lost.

A Hebrew inscription encircling the base identifies this crown as having come from Lissa, Poland, a former Jewish metropolis of Greater Poland and well-known center of Talmudic learning whose scholars were known as "the wise men of Lissa."

The Jewish Museum of the Jewish Theological Seminary located at 92nd Street and Fifth Avenue is open Mondays through Thursdays from 1-5 p.m. and Sundays from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Admission to the Museum is free at all times.

Summer Camping And Your Child

It used to be that parents, before sending their children to a summer camp, would make inquiries about the bunks, the food and the physical facilities. However, in recent years parents have come to understand more and more that the summer months offer an excellent opportunity for children in camp to benefit from their environment not only physically, but spiritually and intellectually as well. Hence, discerning parents today will make careful investigation about the complete program of the camp to which they plan to send their children. In some cases they will discover that the program of a camp is totally at variance with the parents' aims in the raising of their children. For example, parents who send their children to synagogue services and to a religious school all through the school year, by error may send their children to a summer camp which vitiates and nullifies all that the child has been trained to believe and practice.

Fortunately, during this past decade a new type of summer camp has been developed under the auspices of the Teachers Institute of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America. Beginning with one Camp Ramah in the Pocono Mountains of Pennsylvania, there are today four such camps, the other three being in Connecticut, Wisconsin and California. One of our own members, Mr. Reuben R. Kaufman, is President of Camp Ramah in Connecticut. These camps offer a complete summer camping program of athletics, arts and crafts gardening and all the normal social and recreational activities. The physical facilities and the food are of the highest quality. The personnel, including camp directors and counsellors, are the finest of young people. But, in addition, these non-profit camps offer a joyous and relaxed *Jewish* atmosphere. Hebraic values are transmitted to the campers through discussion, study and song. The result is that instead of the summer months being either an empty gap in Jewish education or in conflict with its aims, they thus become an instrument for happy growth. The end of each summer sees hundreds of children becoming enthusiastic and loyal advocates of the type of summer camping given at Ramah.

This explains why it is so difficult to register new children at any one of the four Ramah camps. Once children have

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Sisterhood Activities

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

Jewish Music Month Meeting

Sisterhood will celebrate Jewish Music Month with a luncheon and open meeting on Tuesday, February 18, in the Lemberg Auditorium. An entertaining program has been arranged by Doris Rome, chairman of the program committee.

Martha Schlamme, the well-known Viennese soprano, will be the guest artist and will sing folk songs of many lands. Miss Schlamme has been a featured singer on the B.B.C. network in London and as one of the most popular performers at the London Players Theatre. A capacity audience of 1500 acclaimed Miss Schlamme on the occasion of her two New York Town Hall recitals. Her selections include folk songs from Israel, Yiddish folk songs, and Negro spirituals which she sings with charm, sympathy and intelligence. Her explanations of her songs, too, add to the enjoyment of her performance.

During the afternoon, a new film strip, "This is your Guild", will be presented. This will give a first-hand view of the wonderful work of the New York Guild for the Jewish Blind and will be narrated by Mrs. Edward Peiper.

Through its Offering Fund and through its contribution of five percent of the receipts of the brunch theatre party, Sisterhood has helped to support this worthy cause for many years.

Report of Previous Meeting

Those of us who heard Mrs. Judah Nadich review Myron Kaufmann's "Remember Me To God" were charmed by her interesting, graphic, and exceptionally well organized discussion of this provocative novel. Mrs. Nadich probed searchingly into the hero's problem of Jewish adjustment to American life. She spoke informally and authoritatively about a complex situation and held the interest of her large audience throughout her discussion.

During the afternoon, Mrs. Sol Green, president of Sisterhood, spoke of the untiring work of Mrs. Ben Sack and her committee in achieving the tremendous success of the December brunch and theatre party. She then presented Freda Sack with a gold charm inscribed "Mazel"—with the grateful appreciation of Sisterhood.

Sisterhood's Gifts

Those beautiful yellow table cloths which we all admired at the dinner-

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Books At A Glance

By HILDE KISCH, *Librarian*

One of the most fascinating and important chapters in Jewish history is the story of Jewish life in Spain during the Middle Ages. The great achievements of the Jews in all fields of human endeavor and the high cultural level which they maintained in that country greatly influenced Spanish civilization and that of the world at large. Several of our new acquisitions deal with this period.

Two of these works come to the Cohen Library thanks to the efforts of Mr. Martin Leichtling, principal of the Regious School. Abaham A. Neuman's excellent two columes, *The Jews in Spain*, depict all aspects of their activities against the background of the State in which they lived until the tragedy of their expulsion in 1492 brought to an end the era that is generally called "the golden age" of Spanish Jewry. Among many other topics the author surveys the internal organization of the Jewish community, which had the right of self-administration, taxation, and legal jurisdiction: the economic conditions of its members: rabbinic culture: the role played by the synagogue; and the great personalities the milieu produced. Although Professor Neuman's work is of a very scholarly nature and based on painstaking research in primary source material, it is highly interesting reading and easily understandable also to the general reader. One of the outstanding Jewish poets and thinkers of twelfth century Spain is portrayed and evaluated by Rudolf Kayser in *The Life and Time of Jehudah Halevi*. Though this book does not claim to be a learned tome or original in character, it presents a general vista of a great age to whose spirit Jehudah Halevi gave voice both in his Hebrew poems and in his philosophic work.

The most eminent Jewish philosopher of all time, a product of the same period, whose influence left permanent marks on Jewish as well as Christian thinking, is appraised in Jacob Minkin's *The World of Moses Maimonides*. This book offers a humanly written biography of the great Rambam, as Maimonides is also called, together with the essence of wisdom gleaned from selections of his religious, philosophic, and ethical teachings. To extracts from Maimonides' writings on such subjects as God and the Torah, Divine Providence, the existence of evil, government, education and health, are added Rabbi Minkin's erudite and illuminating commentaries and explanations, which make his learned study a delight to read. He is also the author of another book available in the Library, dealing with Jewish-Spanish history. In *Abardanel and the Expulsion* of the Jews from Spain he narrates very interestingly the life-story of that outstanding scholar, thinker, and statesman, who was the last of a long line of brilliant Jews of the Iberian peninsula.

Israeli U. N. Delegate To Speak, February 11

By MRS. JEROME S. MITTLEMAN

Mr. Mordecai Kidron will speak to the Mr. and Mrs. Club and guests on Tuesday evening, February 11, at 8:30 P.M. Members of the congregation and their friends are invited to hear him.

About Mr. Kidron

Mr. Mordecai R. Kidron, Minister Plenipotentiary and Deputy Permanent Representative of Israel at the United Nations, was born in South Africa in 1915 and educated there and at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem.

Mr. Kidron served in the South African forces in World War II and, after demobilization, joined the Political Department of the Jewish Agency for Palestine in Jerusalem where he was employed until the establishment of the state of Israel in 1948.

Mr. Kidron served in the Israel Army during the War of Independence in 1947 and 1948 on the staff of Israel Army brigade headquarters in Jerusalem, and as Military Governor of North Jerusalem during the siege.

In September 1953, he came to the United States as Deputy Permanent Representative of Israel to the United Nations in New York, and has been a member of the Israel Delegations to the 8th, 9th, 10th, and 11th General Assemblies of the United Nations and the special United Nations session at San Francisco in 1955.

The evening promises great excitement as this dramatic speaker brings fresh visions of today's flow of history. The original date in January was cancelled because of inclement weather. We await his visit with eagerness and invite all our friends of the Synagogue's congregation to share in this experience on Tuesday, February 11 at 8:30 P.M.

Parents Ass'n News

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

The next lecture to be given by Rabbi Nadich on the all-inclusive topic "What Shall I tell My Child?" will take place on February 25 at 1:15 P.M. in the Lemberg Auditorium.

Rabbi Nadich will speak on "What Shall I Tell My Child about Death and Immortality?" Every mother will want to hear this important subject discussed wisely and constructively.

Purim Workshop

Once again, Mrs. A. Stangel, chairman of the Purim Workshop, and her committee, Mrs. Leon Klein, Mrs. Jack Kurzweil, Mrs. Paul Miller and Mrs. Albert Siegel have created authentic costumes—46 to be exact—to satisfy the most eager youngster who dreams of appearing at the annual synagogue Purim Masquerade as the most beautiful Queen Esther, the most vicious Haman, or perhaps as Mordecai or even King Ahasueres. These costumes, created from the finest silks and satins, donated by Mrs. Stangel, will go on display in the Sisterhood Lounge on Sunday, February 9, and on Sunday, February 16, from 9:30 a.m. to 12 noon. The charge will be nominal.

When these costumes have been sold, there will be no more available, so we suggest that you make your selection on these dates, or phone Mrs. Stangel (Sa 2-6335) to reserve your child's choice. An original costume from the well-known Stangel workshop will gladden the heart of any young lady or young gentleman!

Sabbath Eve Service

The Parents Association sponsored the Friday evening service on January 24. Mrs. Jack Kurzweil, Mrs. Franklin Bergmann, Mrs. Sam Deutch, Mrs. Albert Siegel, Mrs. Charles Weisberg and Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer participated in reading the prayers.

Dr. Samuel M. Blumenfield, the guest speaker, discussed "Jewish Education—Is it a Necessity or a Luxury?" Following the service, there was an Oneg Shabbat in the Lemberg Auditorium where an interesting question and answer period took place.

Sisterhood Activities

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dance were the gift of Sisterhood, which also furnished the utensils used in the meat kitchen. Our thanks to Dorothy Sokolow for making these fine selections.

Men's Club Appoints Armed Services Committee

The Armed Services Committee, recently appointed by the Men's Club of the Park Avenue Synagogue, is anxious to receive the names of the men and women of our congregation serving in the Armed Forces of our country.

Mr. Nat B. Gerber, chairman of this special committee, requests that parents or relatives of those men and women now serving our country or who will, in the near future, go into the service, furnish their names and military addresses to the synagogue office.

The purpose of the committee is to act as a link between our congregation and our men and women in the Armed Forces. It is planned to send them gift packages and to communicate with them while they are away and to welcome them on their return, thus keeping the religious chain between them and the synagogue unbroken.

Mr. and Mrs. Club Plans Las Vegas Night

By MRS. JEROME S. MITTLEMAN

The Mr. and Mrs. Club is planning to present its 1958 Edition of its Las Vegas Night on Saturday evening, March 8, at the Synagogue.

Enthusiasm with which the community has received this annual affair has stimulated the Club's executive committee to eagerly anticipate an even greater one this year.

Mrs. Fred Krones, as chairlady, has selected committees who are now creating an organized effort to offer the Synagogue congregants and their friends a gay, lively, and social evening long to be remembered.

Tickets are available from Mr. Schaefer, 1700 York Ave., En 9-5142, or from any member of the Mr. and Mrs. Club. Be sure to make note of this date, Saturday, March 8, and bring your friends.

UJA Women's Division

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and distressed human beings who must depend on UJA.

Mrs. Benjamin Sack, chairman of the Park Avenue Synagogue UJA Committee, will head a large contingent of our ladies who plan to attend this opening rally.

Summer Camping

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gone, they are anxious to attend. However, parents of children attending the Park Avenue Synagogue School, who desire to register their children for the first time at one of the Ramah camps or who desire further information about it, are urged to get in touch immediately with Rabbi Nadich or Mr. Leichtling. Registration for the Ramah camps will close soon. The rabbi has information also about other camps of a similar nature that he would be happy to furnish to interested parents.

I. M. Cohen Honored At Federation Dinner

Isidore M. Cohen, a member of our Board of Trustees and a stalwart of the Park Avenue Synagogue for many years, was recently honored at the annual Federation dinner of the clothing industry.

More than 300 leaders of the clothing industry joined in celebrating Issy's sixtieth birthday at the division's annual Federation dinner.

Condolences

Mrs. Louis M. Cohen — death of mother, Rose Horowitz
Heyman Family—death of brother, Louis Heyman
Sidney R. Katz—death of mother Gizella Katz
Milton M. Sivek—death of mother Ida Sivek

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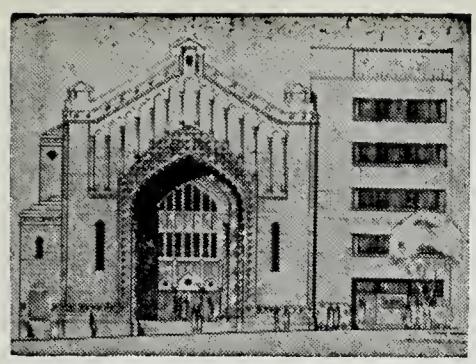

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Synagogue Purim Party Wednesday Eve., Mar. 5

This year's celebration of Purim will take place on Wednesday evening, March 5, commencing with the reading of the Megillah in the Synagogue at 7:30 P.M. Rabbi Nadich and Hazzan Putterman will officiate.

A tradition which has been most favorably received has been that of inviting the new members of the congregation to participate in the reading of the Megillah. Among those who had been invited to do so this year are Mrs. Arnold Bachman, Mrs. Paul Bercu, Max Elkon, Mrs. Grace Gilbert, Monroe Heyward, and Mrs. Marcia Nasatir. Following the service in the Synagogue there will be a Purim celebration and party in the Lemberg Auditorium. It will feature a group of youngsters from among

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Mrs. Joseph Druss, Guest Speaker, At Sisterhood Friday Eve Service, Mar. 7

By Rhea M. Ruttenberg

On March 7, Sisterhood will sponsor the Friday Evening Service at the Park Avenue Synagogue. Our own Mrs. Joseph George Druss will speak on: "What my Synagogue Affiliation Means to Me." Several members of Sisterhood will read the prayers in English and in Hebrew during the service.

Mrs. Druss—Ruth to all of us who know her—is a lawyer who, since her retirement from active practice, has devoted her time to many welfare services.

Stirred by the suffering of the Jews in Europe, Mrs. Druss has concerned herself with the rescue job overseas, the immigration and the resettlement in the United States of many Jews who have been homeless since the Hitler era. As an active member of the Board of the Central Volunteer Bureau of the Community Council of Greater New York, she has helped set up training courses and standards for volunteer participation in recognized agencies in the city.

Mrs. Druss is vice-president of the New York Section of the National Council of Jewish Women and is in charge of many of its community welfare projects. Her interests lie, too, in helping the chronically ill at the Goldwater Memorial Hospital on Welfare Island, as well as at the Katherine Engel Center for older people.

At present, Mrs. Druss is working for her master's degree at Columbia in the field of marriage and family life. She is the wife of Dr. Joseph George Druss, long an active member of the Park Avenue Synagogue, and the proud mother of Sue, a senior at the Walden School, and of Richard, a medical student at the College of Physicians and Surgeons at Columbia.

Following the services, there will be an oneg shabbat in the Lemberg Auditorium.

Youth Group To Conduct Sabbath Services, Mar. 1

Another milestone has been attained by our teenage youth groups with the inception of the sponsorship of a Sabbath Service on March 1. This group is accepting the responsibility for the conduct of the entire Service. The young people who are the products of our religious school will don their robes, kipoth and talaisim and chant the Haftorah, read portions of the Bible, preach the sermon and conduct the Service. This event provides an opportunity for our young people to practice the learnings they acquired in school and to continue their identification with the Synagogue.

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Schedule of Religious Services

Friday Evening, February 21 ..... 8:30 P.M.
"WHAT DOES JUDAISM HAVE TO SAY ABOUT CAPITAL AND LABOR?"

Saturday Morning, February 22 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Bat Mitzvah of Pamela Foa, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Bruno Foa

Friday Evening, February 28 ..... 8:30 P.M.
"AMERICA — HOME OR EXILE?"

Saturday Morning, March 1 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Service conducted by the youth of the Synagogue

Wednesday Evening, March 5 ..... 7:30 P.M.
Purim Service and reading of the Megillah

Friday Evening, March 7 ..... 8:30 P.M.
Sisterhood Sabbath—Mrs. Joseph Druss, speaker, "What My Synagogue Affiliation Means To Me"
Sisterhood Oneg Shabbat and Tea

Saturday Morning, March 8 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Bat Mitzvah of Rose Forster, doughter of Mr. and Mrs. Emil Forster

Rabbi Judah Nadich will speak Friday evenings and preach on the Scriptural Portion each Saturday morning.

The Services will be conducted by Rabbi Nadich and Hazzan David J. Putterman, assisted by the Synagogue Choir with Mr. George Crook at the organ.

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Down With That Wall

(The following editorial, appropriate for Brotherhood Week, appeared in the Horace Mann Record, the student weekly publication of the Horace Mann School, February 24, 1953. It was written by David A. Ruttenberg, who was Bar Mitzvah and confirmed at the Park Avenue Synagogue).

Last week, we celebrated Brotherhood Week. Newspapers and magazine articles, radio and television programs have contained thousands and thousands of words about Brotherhood. We have listened attentively to the expostulations of public speakers and representatives of inter-faith movements, and most of us have agreed with the thoughts expressed, yet many of us will return to our limited, narrow, little world.

Why build a wall around ourselves? An imaginary wall, to be sure, but a circumscribing wall, nevertheless, and within whose limits, there lurks hypocrisy, intolerance, prejudice, and most tragic of all, bigotry. In fact, the very nature of our self-imposed hermitage is conducive to the development of these evils.

This is a big world and there are many kinds of people in it. In this fast-moving Atomic Age, we must learn to live with our neighbors whether we want to or not. None of us is self-sufficient and none of us can live without the association of those outside our little circle. Although they may come from different racial, religious and cultural back grounds, they have something of value to offer. All we must do is to get to know them, to have a better understanding of their point of view, and to realize that they, too, are human beings entitled to enjoy the freedoms guaranteed to all Americans.

Heywood Broun once said, "Brotherhood is not just a Bible word." It is a potent word with far-reaching implications. When we adopt a biased, discriminatory attitude, whether in thought or in our every day actions towards others, we are manifesting a form of prejudice. This is not Brotherhood.

It is significant that Brotherhood Week should be celebrated during the month of February, when we honor the memories of George Washington and Abraham Lincoln, two of our greatest Americans. They exemplified humility and dignity of character in the strictest sense. They knew no prejudice; they knew no bigotry; to them, Brotherhood meant a way of daily life.

Down with that wall! Let us put into practice the true spirit of Brotherhood, not only one week of the year, but every day of our life.

Rabbi In The Community

Rabbi Nadich addressed the annual breakfast of the Council of Mens Clubs in Buffalo on February 9. He also participated recently in the programs of the annual luncheon of the Federation of Jewish Womens Organizations and of the Womens Division of the United Jewish Appeal.

He has accepted appointments to serve on the Board of Directors of the 92nd Street YMHA and of its Committee on Jewish Activities, the Board of Directors of the Jewish Braille Institute, the Board of Directors of Massad Camps and as delegate to the Synagogue Council of America, representing the United Synagogue of America.

He is also serving as a non-governmental delegate of the United Nations, representing the Synagogue Council of America.

Rabbi To Address Youth Group

On Sunday, afternoon March 9, Rabbi Judah Nadich will address the Teenage Youth Group. At this time he will provide guidance and counsel to our young people.

Questions and problems concerning Judaism, customs, rituals, inter-marriage and dating will be discussed. The young people are eagerly anticipating this meeting with the Rabbi. It is hoped that many of their doubts and misunderstandings will be clarified at that time.

Books At A Glance

By Hilde Kisch, Librarian

On the fourteenth day of Adar, that is, on Wednesday evening March 5, we will celebrate Purim in commemoration of the deliverance of the Jews of Persia from the destruction that was to have befallen them through the scheming of Haman, vizier in the court of King Ahasuerus. They were saved from disaster by the courageous action of the King's Jewish wife, Queen Esther, and her kinsman Mordecai. The story of the holiday is vividly told in the Biblical Book of Esther, which has often been the subject of research and historic interpretation by outstanding Bible scholars. Whatever may be the critical opinion of the historic authenticity of the Purim story, through the centuries the holiday has been celebrated by the Jews with joy and merrymaking because of the message of faith and courage it conveys.. Many Jewish authors have treated its spiritual meaning, as well as the legends, customs, and traditions connected with it.

The Cohen Library has several books presenting excellently the character and idea of the festival. Of these the most comprehensive is *The Purim Anthology*, compiled by Philip Goodman. It contains contributions by learned authors on the origin of Purim (Dr. Solomon Grayzel); on Purim in art (Rachel Wischnitzer), literature and music; on Purim celebrations in many lands; on pranks, plays, and parties customary on this day; and, above all, on how the holiday is celebrated in the synagogue. A music supplement is likewise included.

N. S. Doniach's *Purim or the Feast of Esther* is a historical study of the origin, synagogue service, and customs pertaining to the festival. The volume also has a chapter on Purim stories, songs, and parodies. In *Purim and Hanukkah*, Theodor Gaster gives a new interpretation of the Book of Esther and attempts "to sketch the true history and development of the two familiar Jewish festivals, and at the same time to describe the manner of their observance throughout the ages." He presents not only a traditional, but also a critical, view of their origins. A shorter version of his ideas can be found in the treatise on Purim in his book, *Festivals of the Jewish Year*. Concise chapters on all aspects of the holiday are included in

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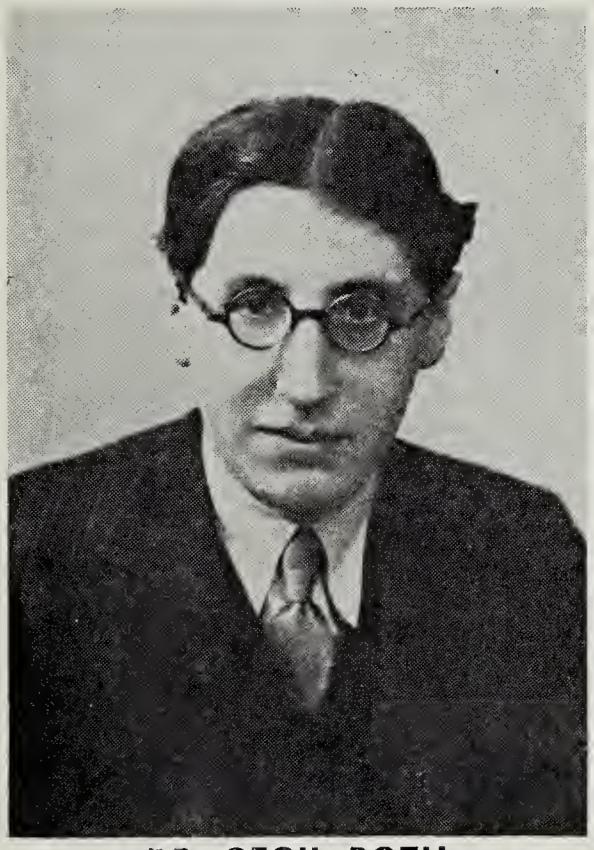
Milton Steinberg Lecture Series Features World Famous Speakers, Starting March 3

The annual series of lectures in memory of Rabbi Milton Steinberg will this year feature three internationally known speakers, Dr. Cecil Roth of England, Dr. Imanuel Ben-Dor of Israel and Mr. Maurice Samuel.

Since the Tenth Anniversary of the establishment of the State of Israel will be observed this year and because the love of Israel and the land of Israel was characteristic of Rabbi Steinberg, Israel will be the theme of this year's series. The lectures will take place on Monday evening, March 3, Monday evening, March 10 and Friday evening, March 21.

This series will begin on Monday, March 3 at 8:30 P. M. with Dr. Cecil

To Lecture March 3



DR. CECIL ROTH

Roth speaking on "The World Significance of the State of Israel." A member of the faculty of Oxford University since 1939, Dr. Roth is one of the world's outstanding historians. He is the author of more than thirty volumes and hundreds of articles. He considers his greatest distinction to have been the fact that he was included among the list of the first five hundred to be arrested by the Nazis when they should land in England. He has lectured in many lands and is now visiting the United States.

On Monday evening, March 10, Dr. Imanuel Ben-Dor will speak on "Searching For Israel's Past," a lecture to be illustrated with slides that have just arrived from Israel and never before shown in this country. Dr. Ben-Dor is the Deputy Director of the Department

To Lecture March 10

DR. IMANUEL BEN-DOR

of Antiquities of the Government of Israel and is currently visiting professor at the Harvard Divinity School. His lecture will concern itself with the archaeological excavations in Israel during these past ten years, laying bare many hitherto unknown facts about the ancient past in the land of Israel.

On Friday evening, March 21, when the *yahrzeit* of Rabbi Milton Steinberg will be observed, the guest speaker will be Mr. Maurice Samuel who will interpret the significance of Zionism and the State of Israel for American Jewry today. Mr. Samuel is well-known to our congregation and indeed to Jews everywhere. He is a respected and esteemed lecturer, novelist and translator. There is hardly an English-speaking community anywhere in the free world which has not had the joy of hearing him speak and which does not look forward to his return.

Certainly all those who read this notice will plan to be present on these three evenings both for the intrinsic value of this extraordinary series of lectures and in order to pay honor to the memory of the late beloved rabbi of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

Nezih Manyas, Turkish Information Officer, To Address Men's Club,

By HARVEY GLASSER

On Tuesday, February 25th, at 8:30 P. M., in the Lemberg Auditorium, Men's Club will present Nezih Manyas, Assistant Director of the Turkish Information Office in New York City, who will discuss aspects of his country's foreign policy.

Mr. Manyas comes to us with a distinguished career and background in banking, radio and government service. His father and grandfather were both diplomats, his grandfather having been Turkish Ambassador to the United States from 1908-1910.

Since 1941, after a career in banking and then in radio as Program Director for Radio Ankara, Mr. Manyas has been connected with the Turkish Government Information Services. He was in charge of the Department of Foreign Language Broadcasts eminating from Turkey and personally wrote and broadcast the short-wave news in English from Ankara, among other varied radio broadcasting activities.

Our guest speaker is the author of radio scripts, short stories and various other articles. He is widely travelled and speaks three languages.

In 1947, Mr. Manyas was appointed to co-establish the Turkish Information Office in New York City. He is one of the foremost authorities on all aspects of life and activity in Turkey.

This meeting promises to be very enlightening. Men's Club will welcome your guests and friends. A collation will be served. Please make every effort to attend.

Rabbi To Be Heard on Radio, Sunday, Feb. 23

Rabbi Judah Nadich will be the speaker on the "Sunday Radio Chapel" on Sunday morning, February 23 at 9:30 A. M. over station WOR, the Mutual Broadcasting System. The program is sponsored by the Synagogue Council of America.

The music of Hazzan David Putterman will also be heard on the same program.

THE UJA STORY
"AROUND THE WORLD-UJA MEANS LIFE"

This is the theme of the Women's Division of the United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York in its twentieth annual campaign to raise its share of the 100 million dollars needed to sustain a worldwide humanitarian network operated by seven welfare agencies, as well as the local proportion of a nationwide 100 million dollar Rescue Fund.

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They look to their American brethern for aid, and YOU are the ones to answer the appeal of those who need YOUR help today.

YOU have the power to give this aid and to answer the plea of YOUR Jewish brethren through the UNITED JEWISH APPEAL, known to all as the UJA.

"WHO SHALL LIVE AND WHO SHALL DIE?" YOU HAVE THE ANSWER.

RESERVE THESE DATES — ADULT EDUCATION COURSES

Monday, February 17, commencing at 7:00 P.M.
Rabbi Nadich lectures at 9:00 P.M.
"RETROSPECT AND PROSPECT"

Monday, February 24, commencing at 7:00 P.M.
Rabbi Nadich lectures at 9:00 P.M.
"RETROSPECT AND PROSPECT"

Monday, March 3.
The Milton Steinberg Lecture Series
begins at 8:30 P.M.
Dr. Cecil Roth will speak on
"THE WORLD SIGNIFICANCE OF THE STATE OF ISRAEL"

Monday, March 10.
Milton Steinberg Lecture Series
continues at 8:30 P.M.
Dr. Imanuel Ben - Dor will speak on
"SEARCHING FOR ISRAEL'S PAST"

Friday, March 21, Sabbath Service at 8:30 P.M.
Observance of eighth yahrzeit of late revered
Rabbi Milton Steinberg

Mr. Maurice Samuel, guest speaker,
will interpret significance of Zionism
and State of Israel for American Jewry

The Las Vegas Affair Saturday Eve., March 8

By JEROME S. MITTELMAN

An evening of fun and frolic, featuring games and tasty refreshments, is to be held Saturday evening, March 8, when the Mr. and Mrs. Club presents the much awaited Las Vegas Affair. Festivities begin at 8:30 P.M. in the Lemberg Auditorium of the Milton Steinberg House at the Synagogue.

Enthusiasm with which the community has received this annual affair has stimulated the Club's executive committee to eagerly anticipate an even greater one this year.

Committees have created an organized effort to offer the Synagogue congregants and all their friends a gay, lively, and social evening long to be remembered.

Participants' contribution of $5. a couple will entitle them to free refreshments and an opportunity to join in all the games, with many valuable prizes offered. The affair will benefit the Milton Steinberg House.

Be sure to make note of this date, Saturday, March 8, at 8:30, and bring your friends.

Girl Scout Intermediate Troop 3-231

By MRS. STANLEY SIMON

To celebrate "Girl Scout International Thinking Day" in February, the members of Troop 3-231 have planned a program and have chosen their favorite countries. Laurie Siedler has chosen the U. S. A. and is teaching songs of the Old West and Claire Max has chosen Israel and is teaching songs in Hebrew. Judy Goldstone has chosen Mexico and is teaching songs in Spanish. Laurie Kaplan will be teaching the Arts and Crafts of these countries. Wendy Norins will plan the ceremony for the day and accompaniment on the flute will be played by the other girls.

The troop is very fortunate to have two new mothers helping the leader every Friday. They are Mrs. Florence Beer and Mrs. Marcella Norins. Most of the girls in this troop have been in scouting for 3 years having started in the Synagogue Brownie Troop.

Rabbi Nadich To Give Closing Lectures in Adult Education Series

The closing lectures on Monday, February 17 and 24 in the lecture series entitled, "Great Ages and Ideas of the Jewish People," will be given by Rabbi Judah Nadich.

These lectures begin at 9:00 P. M. and are followed by a question period and a collation. The theme of the closing two lectures will be "Retrospect and Prospect," a summing up of the lectures given previously, the attempt to relate them to the problems that face Jews today and a prognosis of the future. The characteristics of the several historical ages lived through by the Jewish people have been described in previous lectures by Dr. Moshe Greenberg of the University of Pennsylvania, Rabbi David Weiss and Professor Abraham Halkin of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America and by Professors Morton Smith and Salo W. Baron of Columbia University.

The several Hebrew courses offered at 7:00 P. M. and at 8:00 P. M. and also the course in Cantillations with Hazzan David J. Putterman at 8:00 P. M. will also have their closing sessions on these evenings.

A cordial invitation is extended to everyone to attend the last two lectures in the 9:00 o'clock course, including those who have not had the opportunity before to be present on Monday evenings. They will also be welcome at any of the earlier classes.

Park Avenue Synagogue Boy Scout Honored With Tamid Award

Mrs. Herman Helpern, Chairman of the Youth Activities Committee is very proud to announce the great honor that has been conferred upon one of our Boy Scouts and upon our Boy Scout Troop. Stephen Stowe has qualified for the Ner Tamid Award, the highest award possible of attainment in Jewish Scouting.

During the week set aside as Boy Scout Week, Rabbi Judah Nadich at the Friday evening service, February 14, awarded this medal to Stephen. He is now entitiled to wear this emblem of light which our people have kept burning before the Lord for almost three thousand years.

Dr. Breidenbach Honored

The Beth David Hospital recently dedicated its new emergency division. It was named in honor of Dr. Lester Breidenbach, a member of the Park Avenue Synagogue, who has been with the hospital for twenty-five years. Harry E. Gould, president of the hospital, and State Supreme Court Justice Irving L. Levey spoke.

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Books At A Glance

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S. M. Lehrman's work, *The Jewish Festivals*, Yaacov Vainstain's *The Cycle of the Jewish Year*, and Hyman Goldin's *Jewish Holidays*.

Through these books in the Cohen Library, Purim takes on immediate meaning and reality.

RESERVE THIS DATE
TUESDAY, MARCH 18
Sisterhood Meeting
A stirring film
"A Second Chance"
presenting the crisis
facing the Jewish world
Mrs. Ben Sack, Chairman

Purim Party

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our own tee-agers and two distinguished professional entertainers. Mrs. Ohela Halevy Ophir, a well-known Israeli folk singer will be one of the entertainers. She is the daughter of Moshe Halevy, founder of the word famous Ohel Theatre after which she was named.

Mrs. Ophir is a veteran of the war of liberation, a member of the Voice of Israel radio station and has studied in New York at the Drama Workshop. She is the wife of Shai Ophir, prominent Israeli pantomimist and actor.

Mr. Lou Shor is a prominent humorist on radio, TV and in exclusive clubs. He has entertained at the Concord Hotel, at the chalet at St. Agathe in the Laurentian Mountains in Canada. While in the army in Europe, Mr. Shor had a prominent part in "Yanks A Million," a musical show produced by the army for its own troops.

A collation will be served at the conclusion of the evening's entertainment.

The Committee in charge of arrangements is under the Chairmanship of Howard A. Kieval and also includes Mr. David Altschul, Mrs. Irving Friedman, Mrs. I. E. Gevirtz, Mrs. Fred Krones, Mr. Theodore Meistrich, and Mrs. Robert Rubin.

Congratulations

Mr. and Mrs. Asa D. Sokolow—15th Wedding Anniversary January 31

Mrs. Samuel Gellert and Mr. and Mrs. Murray Gillette-Birth of grandson, Richard Samuel Gillette

Hon. and Mrs. Maxwell Shapiro—Birth of granddaughter, Robin Fern Zorn

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Fox—Birth of grandchildren, Jane and John Rothfield.

Youth Group Service

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Among the participants in this Service will be Inez Fields, Phyllis Brody, Lawrence Loeb, Elisa Kaufman, John Stangel, Joan Rubinstein, Jackie Finkel and Mike Gelfand.

School News

By MARTIN LEICHTLING

Washington's Birthday

The Religious School will conduct regular classes on Saturday, February 22.

Class 4A of the Hebrew Department will lead the Junior Congregation in worship and Kiddush will be served by the class mothers of the Parents Association.

Purim Carnival

The Lemberg Auditorium will be transformed into a carnival area on Sunday, March 2 at 10:00 A.M. The students of the Religious School, dressed in holiday costumes, will hold their Annual Purim Carnival. They will have an opportunity to spend their "carnival" money at their gayly-decorated booths featuring games of chance and skill. Parents, too, will join in the fun and, by spending their money freely, will help to strengthen our Keren Ami fund.

A feature attraction of the morning will be a costume parade. Some students, assisted by their parents and grandparents, have been busy preparing colorful and attractive costumes. Others have purchased their costumes from Mrs. A. Stangel and her creative group of costume-designers. All students, who come to the carnival dressed in Shushan costumes, will be eligible for the ten door prizes to be distributed to the holders of lucky numbers.

Megillah Reading

The reading of the Megillah for students of the Religious School will be held on Wednesday, March 5 at 4:30 P.M. in the Main Synagogue. Greggers will be distributed to all the students and the traditional hamentashen will be served at the conclusion of the service.

Parents of the children both in the Primary Department and in the Hebrew Department are invited to attend the service with their children.

Condolences

Mrs. Louis Greenstein — death of mother, Esther Abramson

Mrs. Samuel Kaplan—death of sister, Fanny Brick

Mrs. Celia Gerrish—death of husband Joseph W. Gerrish

Schenker Family—death of Dr. Alfred Schenker

Parents Ass'n Activities

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

The next meeting of the Parents Association, March 19, will have for its theme: "How to Celebrate Passover at Home."

In order to help parents provide a meaningful and inspirational observance of the Passover Holiday, the Parents Association has asked Rabbi Nadich to discuss the history, meaning, and significance of Passover. Hazzan Putterman will explain the songs to be sung during this Festival—all of which will help bring into your home the joy and spirit of Pesach.

Chairman of decorations will be our creative Regina Stangel who has promised to arrange a charming seder table, complete with the Pesach symbols and authentic in every respect.

The Parents Association invites you and your friends to attend this important meeting which hopes to re-awaken for many the richness and beauty of Passover—the Jewish Festival of Freedom.

Lecture Series

Once again, we wish to remind mothers that the second in the series of lectures by Rabbi Nadich will be given on Tuesday, February 25, at 1:15 p.m. in the Lemberg Auditorium. The topic for discussion will be "What Shall I tell my child about Death and Immortality?"

Following the lecture, there will be a question and answer period which should prove invaluable to many mothers who are constantly baffled by that important question, "What Shall I Tell My Child?"

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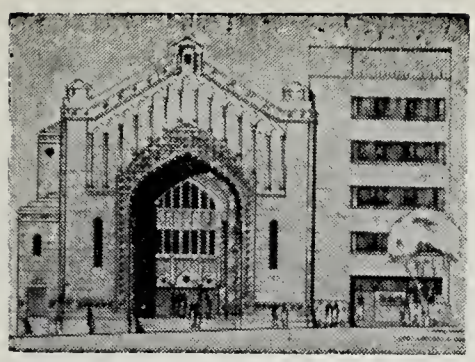

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Congregational Seder Planned For April 5

Mrs. Tubie Resnik, recently named chairman of the Congregational Seder Committee, has announced that invitations have already been sent to the members of our Congregation to participate in the second *seder* planned for Saturday night, April 5.

This community seder, which is becoming one of the most important congregational functions conducted by the Park Avenue Synagogue, will be held on the second *seder* night in the beautifully decorated Lemberg Auditorium.

The service in the Synagogue will begin at 6 o'clock, Saturday night, and will be followed immediately with the *seder* which will start at about 6:30 P.M. The

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Maurice Samuel, Guest Speaker, at Steinberg Yahrzeit Service, Friday Mar. 21

The eighth Yahrzeit of the late beloved Rabbi Milton Steinberg will be observed by the congregation at the Friday evening service on March 21, beginning at 8:30 P.M. Special prayers and memorial readings will form part of the service.

Mr. Maurice Samuel will speak on "Israel and American Judaism". This will be the concluding lecture in this year's Milton Steinberg Lecture Series, the previous lectures having been given by Dr. Cecil Roth of Oxford University and by Dr. Imanuel Ben-Dor, Deputy Director of the Department of Antiquities of the Government of Israel. The theme of this year's series has been the Tenth Anniversary of the State of Israel.

About Rabbi Steinberg, the following was written by Mr. Samuel: "Rabbi Milton Steinberg, Rabbi of the Park Avenue Synagogue, who died on March 20, 1950, was the most brilliant American Rabbi of his generation. His books, *The Making of the Modern Jew, A Partisan Guide To The Jewish Problem, Basic Judaism* and *A Believing Jew* (the last published posthumously), are permanent classics of Jewish thought, remarkable for their lucidity, warmth and stylistic beauty."

Maurice Samuel is generally recognized as one of the foremost men of Jewish letters on the American scene today. He has reached this eminence through nineteen highly regarded books; through his translations of works by such noted authors as Bialik, I. J. Singer, Peretz and Sholem Asch; through his lectures which have taken him thousands of miles around the world to practically every

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MAURICE SAMUEL

Schedule of Religious Services

Friday Evening, March 14 ..... 8:30 P.M.
"A VOICE FROM OUT OF THE PAST"
Upon the 900th Anniversary of the death of Solomon Ibn Gabirol

Saturday Morning, March 15 ..... 9:30 A.M.

Friday Evening, March 21 ..... 8:30 P.M.
EIGHTH YAHRZEIT SERVICE
in Memory of
RABBI MILTON STEINBERG
Mr. Maurice Samuel will speak on
"Israel and American Judaism"

Saturday Morning, March 22 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Bat Mitzvah of Helen Rosenblum,
daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Rosenblum

Friday Evening, March 28 ..... 8:30 P.M.
"THE DIM LIGHTS OF BROADWAY"
A commentary upon the pessimism in today's drama
Dedication of the Lemberg Auditorium
Oneg Shabbat

Saturday Morning, March 29 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Leonard Gold, son of Honorable and Mrs. Samuel Gold

Rabbi Judah Nadich will speak Friday evenings and preach on the Scriptural Portion each Saturday morning.
The Services will be conducted by Rabbi Nadich and Hazzan David J. Putterman, assisted by the Synagogue Choir with Mr. George Crook at the organ.

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Remembering The Synagogue

"We received a telephone call the other day from a member of our congregation, seeking information on the best way to make a bequest to the Synagogue! She felt that it had meant a great deal to her family for generations, that it represented the ideals of our faith and country, and was the kind of institution she would want to be certain was available for her children and grandchildren in years to come.

It made us realize with a sense of sudden awareness, that we take our Synagogue for granted. We make our annual contributions for the balancing of the current budget, but few of us have paid for the actual buildings in which our activities are housed. They represent an endowment that has been bequeathed to us by those who came before, that we might use and enjoy them.

What legacy can we leave to those who come after us? How can we be certain that the comfort and inspiration of an adequate House of God will be here to support our children's children from the cradle to the grave? How can we assure ourselves that a Synagogue worthy of the finest in our Jewish and American heritage, will be here during generations to come?

Remember the Synagogue in your long-range planning—include it significantly in your WILL."

Exchange

Jewish Museum Exhibit

An unusual exhibit of Jewish religious and ceremonial objects is on display in the window galleries of the East River Savings Bank, which is located in Rockefeller Plaza and West 50th Street.

This exhibit has been made possible through the Jewish Museum and can be seen during the month of March, 1958.

Congregants Honored

Mr. Theodore R. Racoosin, who has been identified with the Park Avenue Synagogue for many years, was recently honored by having been elected chairman of the executive committee of the American Committee for the Weizman Institute.

Dr. Ira Fink, also a member of the Park Avenue Synagogue and active in the Men's Club, recently received a decoration from the Government of Haiti for his contributions in the field of medicine.

We are happy to note these honors which have come to members of our congregation and we join in extending them our sincere congratulations and best wishes.

Mrs. Edward Peiper Heads Guild Luncheon

Mrs. Edward Peiper has been named chairman of the Seventh Annual Luncheon and Fashion Show to be given by the Women's Division of the New York Guild for the Jewish Blind on April 2 at the Waldorf Astoria.

Mrs. Peiper, whose family has long been identified with the Park Avenue Synagogue, is a former president of the Sisterhood of the Park Avenue Synagogue and a member of the Advisory Council of the Board of Trustees of the Synagogue.

This yearly event is held to spur membership in the Women's Division of the Guild, which lends volunteer and financial support to the program of the New York Guild for the Jewish Blind for those visually handicapped regardless of age, race, or religion.

Park Avenue Synagogue Pulpit Officiates At Fort Monmouth

Each year during Brotherhood Week, the military authorities at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey, stage a tri-faith preaching mission to which leading American clergymen of the Catholic, Protestant and Jewish faiths are invited to the camp to preach to the military personnel and interested civilians.

This year, the invitation to preach was extended to Rabbi Judah Nadich, and, at the same time, Hazzan David J. Putterman and the Park Avenue Synagogue choir and Mr. George Crook, organist, were invited to present the musical portion of the service.

Books At A Glance

By HILDE KISCH, *Librarian*

On April 24, 1958 the new State of Israel will celebrate its tenth anniversary. Its foundation, the fulfillment of the Jews' long cherished hopes and dreams, will be commemorated throughout this year by Jewish organizations and societies all over the world. At this time all of us should remember and appreciate the long and thorny road that had to be prepared and traveled by those who, through their vision and self-sacrificing work, made Israel a reality. The story of all the facts, from the initiation of the Zionist idea to the realization of Israel's statehood, has inspired Jewish and non-Jewish authors alike. Their works form a considerable section in the Cohen Library. There is Moses Hess' *Rome and Jerusalem*, a classic of Zionist literature, published one hundred years ago, that has just been newly translated and edited by Maurice J. Bloom. Also available is, of course, Theodor Herzl's fundamental program, *The Jewish State* ("Der Judenstaat"), envisioned and written by him as early as 1895 under the impact of the antisemitic riots during the Dreyfus trial in France. The development of the Zionist movement in all its phases is treated in *The Zionist Idea* (1949) by Joseph Heller, in *Zionism* (1914) by Richard Gottheil, and in Rufus Learsi's more recent book, *Fulfillment: the Epic Story of Zionism* (1951). *A History of Palestine from 165 A. D. to Modern Times* is the work of James Parkes.

Of the great wealth of publications produced before and since the creation of the new state only a few can be mentioned here. The collective volume, *Israel: Its Role in Civilization*, containing contributions by many learned authors and edited by Moshe Davis, deals with the part which the newly founded democracy is playing in the modern world, its historic spiritual basis, and the relationship between America and Israel. David Horowitz's *State in the Making* presents a piece of contemporary history and his personal experiences as a participant in the diplomatic negotiations of 1946-48, which resulted in the establishment of the state. Gerald de Gaury, a non-Jewish author, in *The New State of Israel*, covers such aspects as the Constitution, education, finance, the press, railroads and shipping, fishing and irrigation. *The Army of Israel* by Moshe

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Girl Scouts Select Park Avenue Synagogue

The Girl Scouts of the United States of America, as part of their national promotional work emphasizing the religious aspects of the Girl Scout movement, came to the Park Avenue Synagogue last summer and took several photographs of girl scouts.

These pictures were taken with the sculptured ark doors as the background and also the stained glass windows were used as the background for the photographs.

Last week in a nation wide release, the above photograph was sent to all religious institutions as part of the promotional campaign of National Girl Scout Week.

The three scouts standing in front of the stained glass window are Brownie—Marie Cella, Mariner—Charlotte Stoney, and Intermediate—Dorothy Michitsch, all of whom were brought to our synagogue by the National Headquarters of the Girl Scouts.

Teen-Agers Sponsor Dance For UJA

By HYMAN SANKEL

It has now become a tradition to usher in Spring at the Park Avenue Synagogue with a gala and festive dance by the Teen Agers with all proceeds going to the United Jewish Appeal. This affair, on Saturday, March 22, culminates weeks of planning and feverish activity by numerous committees.

The history of these dances is a saga of success. The first year $100 was donated, $200 the second year, and $400 the third. It is hoped that the last sum can be increased this year. An outstanding band has been engaged. We are sure the dance will be a sound financial success.

Bob Fischer, Tina Gluckstein and Linda Wolfman are co-chairmen. Among the other committee chairmen are Mark Siegel, David Reichman, Harry Pincus, Derek Jackson and Jane Jacob.

Irving Engel To Address Men's Club Meeting

By HARVEY GLASSER

On Tuesday, March 25, Irving M. Engel, well known attorney and lecturer, will speak to Men's Club about his recent trip to the Middle East. Mr. Engel has been President of the American Jewish Committee since 1954. In 1958 he headed a mission for the Committee to Paris, Rome, Israel, Tunisia and Morocco.

On Saturday night, April 26, Men's Club will celebrate its 10th Anniversary. The occasion also marks our Annual Ladies Night. A gala evening is being planned under the direction of Harry Dubin. Remember to reserve that date. One of the highlights of the evening will be the drawing for some outstanding prizes including a portable television set, a white fox cape (courtesy of Ted Meistrich) and a case of Calvert's (courtesy of Tubie Resnik).

Teen-Agers Conduct Sabbath Service

By HYMAN SANKEL

On Saturday, March 1 approximately 50 teen-agers spent the entire day in the Synagogue. In the morning they conducted the entire Sabbath Service. The participants were Inez Fields, Mike Golfand, Joel Siegel, Jeffrey Mehlman, Phyllis Brody, John Stangel, Jacki Finkel, Toni Deutsch, Mark Siegel, John Wolf, Elissa Kaufman, Daniel Ritey. Burt Wolfson delivered the sermon on "Patterns of Jewish Living".

Luncheon was served in the Lemberg Auditorium following the service. Mrs. Abraham Stangel was chairman of the committee of mothers who prepared the meal.

In the afternoon there were panel groups which discussed "Ethics of Jewish Living". They were led by Jerry Goodman and Fischel Perlmutter. It was a very rewarding day for all.

Lemberg Auditorium Dedication on March 28

In compliance with the request of the Board of Trustees of the Park Avenue Synagogue that certain new facilities be given a public dedication, the Lemberg Auditorium will be dedicated at the Friday evening service on March 28. The auditorium recently completely renovated and refurbished, has been dedicated by Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Lemberg in loving memory of Samuel and Yetta Friedelson, the parents of Mrs. Lemberg.

After the dedicatory service on March 28 an Oneg Shabbat and Tea will take place in the Lemberg Aunditorium in honor of the occasion..

Mr. and Mrs. Lemberg are noted for their devotion to the Park Avenue Synagogue, their wide-spread generosity and their service to the community generally. Mr. Lemberg is a trustee at the Park Avenue Synagogue and has been for many years active in the national leadership of the United Jewish Appeal. President of the Midwood Management Company and of the Lemberg Foundation and member of the Board of Directors of the Rogosin Industries, Inc., his other communal offices include the following: Honorary Trustee of the Brooklyn Jewish Center, Director of the Brooklyn Division of the American ORT Society, Trustee of Federation of Jewish Philanthropies, Honorary Trustee of the Shore Front Y.M.H.A., Honorary Trustee of the East New York Y.M.H.A. Mrs. Samuel Lemberg is a member of the Arts and Decorations Committee of the Park Avenue Synagogue, a member of the Board of Directors of the Jewish Museum and of the UJA Art Committee.

The Lemberg Auditorium is in constant use by the congregation, by every arm of the synagogue, by the Religious School and by the youth program. In addition it is the locale for Bar Mitzvah, Bat Mitzvah and wedding receptions and serves as a meeting place for many of the worth-while Jewish organizations of the community.

Jewish Museum
Visit the Jewish Museum
92nd Street and 5th Avenue
Open to the Public
Monday to Thursday
1:00 P.M. — 5:00 P.M.
Sunday 11:00 A.M.. — 6:00 P.M.
Admission Free
(The Museum is closed on Jewish and National Holidays)

Mrs. Edelman Appointed Torah Cover Chairman

Joseph Howard Katz, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, announced the appointment of Mrs. Anna Edelman as chairman of the Committee on Torah Covers. Mr. Katz in announcing Mrs. Edelman's appointment said:

"In truth, Mrs. Edelman has been the 'unofficial chairman' of this committee for almost two decades, during which time she has been voluntarily rendering Park Avenue Synagogue exemplary, artistic, and pious service by way of making Torah covers, Ark curtains and reading desk covers for our Synagogue, which she has loved these many years.

MRS. ANNA EDELMAN

"Mrs. Edelman, whose husband, the late Morris Edelman was at one time a trustee of our Synagogue, as well as its vice-president, will continue, I am sure, to produce the same beautiful work in the future as she has done in the past, and it is a pleasure to confer upon her this official title for the duties she splendidly executed over the years."

The Chairman of the Board also requested that all persons interested in arranging to have anything made, do so directly with the Synagogue office by contacting the Executive Director, Sidney R. Katz.

In that manner, we will assure the specific needs of the Synagogue and the "orders" will then be placed with Mrs. Anna Edelman, who will continue her volunteer work. Mrs. Edelman donates the materials as well as her labor.

Congregational Seder

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seder service will be conducted by Rabbi Nadich and Hazzan Putterman, assisted by the Synagogue choir with Mr. George Crook at the piano.

The contribution will be the same as last year, $11 per person, and $8 for each child under the age of 13, which will include all gratuities. The *seder* will be catered by one of the leading caterers and an excellent cuisine is assured.

The *seder* will be open to members of the congregation, their families and their friends. Because of our limited facilities, however, reservations will be limited to 200, so that those planning to attend should send in their checks immediately to Mrs. Tubie Resnik, chairman, at the synagogue office, 50 East 87th Street. Please list the names of those for whom reservations are being made, as we plan to have assigned seating.

Also serving with Mrs. Resnik on this committee are Mrs. Myron Froelich, Mrs. Joseph Howard Katz, Mrs. Nelson Ruttenberg and Mrs. Edith Zahler.

1958 Red Cross Appeal

Once again, The Red Cross campaign is under way, and once again the "nation's first-aid kit" in time of disaster needs your help. This is the Fund that enables Americans to band together in the common cause of "neighbor helping neighbor."

As in previous years, Mrs. Edward Munves has been appointed chairman of the Red Cross Committee for the Park Avenue Synagogue. Even though many of you may have already made contributions to the Red Cross through other sources, Mrs. Munves hopes that members will send a token gift to the Synagogue Committee, so that the Park Avenue Synagogue can stand high on the list of donors in the religious group.

What the Red Cross does—and how well it does it—depends on your voluntary contributions. Please send your gifts to Mrs. Edward Munves, chairman, at the Synagogue office, 50 East 87 Street.

RESERVE THIS DATE
Saturday, April 26
LADIES NIGHT
MEN'S CLUB—ANNUAL PARTY
10th Anniversary
Lemberg Auditorium

Religious School News

By MARTIN LEICHTLING

School Seder

The students of the Religious School will hold five Sedorim on Sunday morning, March 30. Mrs. Jack Kurzweil and Mrs. Emil Forster assisted by a committee of Class Mothers have arranged for the preparation and the serving of traditional holiday food at each Seder.

The Primary Department will conduct a Seder in the Lemberg Auditorium while each grade in the Hebrew Department has its Seder in the Milton Steinberg House. Each class will be responsible for the decoration of the Seder table and many classes have planned for appropriate holiday centerpieces which have both a traditional and a modern significance. The reading of the Haggadah and the singing of the Passover melodies will be led by the students in the school.

Parents of our students are invited to attend the class Seder and join in the service.

Peter Miller Head Tax Reform Committee

A proposal, designed to conform the New York State income tax law more closely to the changing federal law, in order to make the federal provisions applicable, has been presented by the tax sub-committees of the State Bar Association and the New York County Lawyers Association. Mr. Peter Miller, a member of the Park Avenue Synagogue, is chairman of this committee and the architect of this proposed plan.

An amendment to the New York State Constitution to permit this simplification of state personal income tax returns will be presented to the current session of the State Legislature.

Mr. Miller is the author of an article dealing with this tax reform, which has been described as the greatest advance in tax returns since the state permitted the short form some years ago. The article appeared in the January 1958 issue of the *Tax Law Review* of the New York University Law School.

Mr. Miller is the son of the late Supreme Court Justice Julius Miller and Deanne Miller, who is also a member of our congregation.

Books At A Glance

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Pearlman gives an account of how Israeli men and women fought in the war against the Arabs. The origin, growth, and achievements of organized labor in the Holy Land are described in *Cooperative Palestine, the Story of Histadruth* (1947) by Samuel Kurland. The many problems created in Israel by the two segments of the population, that is, the Oriental and the European Jews, and the impact of Western and Eastern civilizations on each other there, are treated in *Israel between East and West, A Study in Human Relations* by Raphael Patai. An interesting contribution to the annals of migration is made by Shlomo Barer in *The Magic Carpet*, which tells the amazing story of the airborne transportation of the Yemenite Jews to Israel. Information about the structure and working methods in some cooperative colonies in Israel can be gathered from Murray Weingarten's *Life in a Kibbutz*, and E. Spiro's *Kibbutz, Venture in Utopia*.

The Library's very good biographical section includes works on many Zionist and Israeli leaders: *Theodore Herzl* by Alex Bein, translated from the German by Maurice Samuel; *Trial and Error*, the autobiography of Chaim Weizmann, great scientist, statesman, and first president of Israel; the life story of the present colorful and dynamic Prime Minister is told by Barnet Litvinoff in *Ben-Gurion of Israel*; Rose Zeitlin's *Henrietta Szold* is a record of the life and work of the great Hadassah leader, who was instrumental in setting up great welfare centers and hospitals in the Holy Land. *Way of Valor* by Marie Syrkin relates the life story of Golda Meir, the present Foreign Minister.

All these and many other books not mentioned here, which we owe to the generosity of the Yorkville Zionist District, unfold a vivid picture of the development of Zionism and the new state of Israel.

Yorkville Zionist Group Holds Meeting, March 20

Col. Itzhak Pundak will be the guest speaker at the open meeting of the Yorkville Zionist District which will be held on Thursday evening, March 20 at 8:30 P.M. in the Ramaz School at 125 East 85th Street.

One of Israel's most decorated war heroes, Col. Pundak joined the Haganah forces early in 1932 and during the War of Independence, he commanded a brigade on both the northern and southern fronts. From 1953 to 1956, he commanded the Israel Armored Forces.

Col. Pundak will discuss a subject of great concern to Jews not only in Israel but all over the world. His topic will be "The Arab Federation and Israel."

In addition, Mimi Milo, talented international songstress, will entertain with Dr. Berg at the piano.

Sisterhood News

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

Tuesday, March 18, is the date of Sisterhood's luncheon and open meeting to be held in the Lemberg Auditorium.

After a delicious luncheon to be served at noon, Sisterhood will present a stirring program on the crisis facing World Jewry today. Mrs. Ben Sack, chairman, and Mrs. Abel Phillips, co-chairman, are planning a memorable program for this occasion.

Mrs. Sigmund Siegel, known to all of us as Phyllis, will be the guest speaker. As chairman of the Women's Division in the twentieth annual campaign of the United Jewish Appeal of Greater New York, Mrs. Siegel will present the story of the plight of Jewish victims in an age of upheaval and terror.

The film, "A Second Chance", a graphic portrayal of the despair of thousands of Polish Jews, who have immigrated to Israel and thus have been saved from persecution, will be exhibited during the afternoon. The story will be narrated by Rabbi Herbert Friedman, the executive vice chairman of the National Jewish Appeal.

Sisterhood Gift Shop

Mrs. A. Stangel, chairman of Sisterhood Gift Shop, has announced that thirty centerpieces portraying areas of the facade of the Milton Steinberg House will go on sale in the Sisterhood Lounge prior to the open meeting on March 18.

These are the very centerpieces that glowed brightly on each table at the Sisterhood brunch at the Sheraton Astor and provoked such favorable comment from every guest.

Appropriate and charming for your Passover Seder table, these centerpieces will bring compliments to any hostess for her originality.

Steinberg Yahrzeit

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Jewish community between Israel and California, between Manchester and Capetown. As a devoted Zionist, he lived and worked in Palestine from 1929 to 1939, and has frequently revisited Israel since.

Torah Fund Luncheon

The Torah Fund of the National Women's League of the United Synagogue of America will hold its annual luncheon on Wednesday, April 30, 1958 at the B'Nai Jeshurun. The National Women's League represents 612 affiliated Sisterhoods with a total membership of over 165,000.

Through the medium of the Torah Fund, the League helps the Jewish Theological Seminary to carry the message of Torah to a world ridden with intrigue, calamities and uncertainties. "Torah is a way of Life", and bringing the message of Torah to the people has been made the special effort of those who have dedicated themselves to its support. Mrs. Jack Kurzweil, chairman and Mrs. Max Zahler, co chairman of the women's committee for the Torah Fund in the Park Avenue Synagogue, will be happy to receive your luncheon reservations.

Congratulations To Jake

"How far that little candle
throws his beams!
So shines a good deed in a
naughty world!"

The words are Shakespeare's, of course, but how applicable to our Jacob Klein, who is today celebrating his eightieth birthday.

Jake, as he is affectionately known to all of us—and all are his dear friends—is not only serving his seventh year as president of the Park Avenue Synagogue, but he is also the symbolic spirit of our synagogue.

We salute you, Jake, with our love, affection and good wishes. May your good deeds continue to shine brilliantly for many years!

Condolences

Mrs. Z. Harry Altmark — Death of brother, Harry Lieberman

Mrs. Samuel Orgel — Death of father, Herman B. Kitay

Parents Open Meeting Wednesday, March 19

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

The Parents Association, answering many requests from parents at the Park Avenue Synagogue, is happy to devote its open meeting on Wednesday evening, March 19, to presenting a practical, enlightening program on "How to Celebrate Passover in the Home."

Rabbi Nadich has graciously volunteered to explain the historical significance and observance of Passover. As always, Hazzan Putterman assures us that he will be happy to teach the songs that will bring the spirit and joy of Pesach into your home. Our talented chairman of decorations, Mrs. A. Stangel, will arrange a Seder Table with the symbols of Passover authentically displayed.

What do the Passover Symbols Mean? How do you decorate the Seder Table? Why do we drink four cups of wine? What foods are forbidden on Passover? At this meeting, you will hear the answers to these and many more questions.

To enrich your celebration of the Festival of Freedom, to help you put into practice at home what your children are taught in the Religious School, and to aid you in providing a beautiful and inspirational observance of Passover—the Parents Association presents a Passover Workshop. And because the Torah says, "And thou shalt tell your son", the Parents group hopes to help you tell the story of Pesach, the holiday of liberation.

A color film, which Mrs. Stangel arranged to have taken at the annual Purim masquerade party, will be shown at this meeting. This will give parents an opportunity to see their children in their beautiful Purim costumes.

Purim Workshop

"We get letters, we get letters". We are not referring to Perry Como, but to Mrs. A. Stangel, whose creative genius brought joy to so many children at the Purim Masquerade Party.

Regina is the proud recipient of fan mail from many a grateful mother who was able to purchase a beautiful costume for her youngster at a nominal cost—thanks to Regina's efforts, generosity, and talent.

Sad, indeed, were those who came too late to select one of the many costumes, all made of the finest silks and satins, all authentic to the minutest detail of a scarf, a hat, a veil, or a glittering gold crown.

Yes, from the Regina Stangel Workshop came the most beautiful costumes that ever have appeared in the Purim Parade. History turned back its pages and brought to life Queen Esther, King Ahasueros, Mordecai, Haman, and many a courtly prince and princess.

The young lady who came both Sunday mornings when these costumes were on display at the Milton Steinberg House, and who explained the historical background of each outfit was Irene Klein, the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Leon Klein, active members of the Synagogue.

We join with Regina's many admirers in saying, "a million thanks for a job well done."

The profits of this project, sponsored by the Parents Association, will help to make future holiday workshops of real service to the parents of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

Congratulations

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander E. Arnstein — Engagement of daughter Lynn to Dr. Leonard Biel

Mr. Jacob Klein—80th Birthday—March 12th

Mrs. Emma Luebeck—95th Birthday—March 26th

Mrs. Mathilda Heller—93rd Birthday—March 23rd

Mr. and Mrs. Irwin Block and Mrs. Jesse Block — Birth of son and grandson

Mr. and Mrs. William Karmiol — Birth of grandson, Mark, and to his parents, Stephanie and Mandel Kuber

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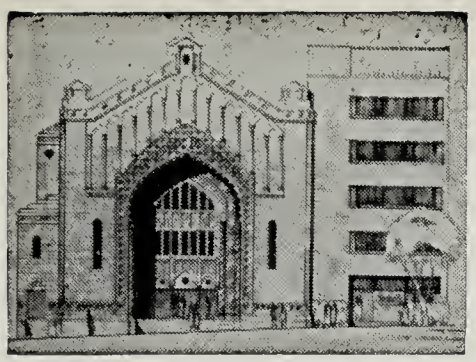

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Sisterhood UJA Bazaar Tuesday, April 29

By Muriel Morse

Sisterhood is again having its Bazaar and Auction and serving a delicious Lunch and Dinner for the benefit of its Treasury Gift to the Rescue Fund of the United Jewish Appeal. This year it will take place all day Tuesday, April 29 in the Lemberg Auditorium.

Our membership has already shown its great interest by responding generously to the requests for suitable merchandise to be used at the Bazaar-Auction. All the individual luxury items and objects d'art will be put up at Auction and sold by a volunteer Park Avenue Synagogue "Auctioneer" and everything else

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Passover Holidays Start Friday Eve., April 4 Congregational Seder, Saturday Eve., April 5

The Passover holidays will be ushered in Friday evening, April 4, at 5:45 o'clock, with a Mincha service in the synagogue. The first *seder* will take place Friday evening at which time all the members and their families, it is hoped old and young alike, will gather around the festive table to celebrate together. The educational value of the *seder*, transmitted from one generation to the next, stems from the fact that the children and grandchildren join together with all the family to witness and reenact this dramatic presentation of the story of freedom, to sing the familiar songs and to carry out the cherished ceremonies. Many of us treasure certain beloved memories because we remember the *seder* we attended in the homes of parents or grandparents. Our children are entitled to the same kind of memories.

The Sabbath service will start, as usual, at 9:30 o'clock in the morning.

There will be an early service Saturday evening at 5:45 P.M., to be followed by the Congregational *seder*, which will take place in the beautifully decorated Lemberg Auditorium.

Mrs. Tubie Resnik, chairman of the Congregational Seder Committee, has announced that no further reservations can be accepted. Because of our limited facilities, it has been necessary to restrict the number of reservations, and except for a cancellation, we may be unable to accomodate those who may have decided to attend at the last moment.

The service on the second day of Passover will take place on Sunday morning, April 6, at 9:30 A.M.

The services for the closing days of Passover will start on Thursday evening, April 10, at 5:45 P. M. and will continue on Friday morning, April 11, at 9:30 A.M.

There will also be an evening service on Friday, April 11, at 5:45 P.M. and

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RESERVE THIS DATE
Sunday evening, May 4
Special service to honor
HAZZAN DAVID J. PUTTERMAN
for his twenty-five years of faithful and devoted service as Cantor of the Park Avenue Synagogue.
Mrs. Arthur Morse Chairman

Schedule Of Passover And Sabbath Services

FIRST DAYS OF PASSOVER

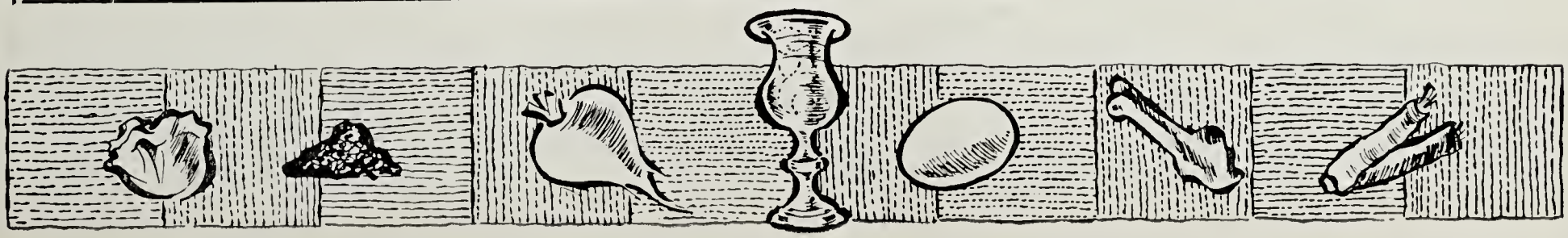
Friday Evening, April 4 ..... 5:45 P.M.
Saturday Morning, April 5 ..... 9:30 P.M.
Saturday Evening, April 5 ..... 5:45 P.M.
Congregational Seder
Sunday Morning, April 6 ..... 9:30 A.M.

CLOSING DAYS OF PASSOVER

Thursday Evening, April 10 ..... 5:45 P.M.
Friday Morning, April 11 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Friday Evening, April 11 ..... 5:45 P.M.
Saturday Morning, April 12 ..... 9:30 A.M.
(Yizkor Memorial Service)
Rabbi Judah Nadich, Hazzan David J. Putterman and the Synagogue Choir with Mr. George Crook at the organ will officiate.
Rabbi Nadich will preach at the four Passover morning services.

Friday Evening, April 18 ..... 8:30 P.M.
Rabbi Samuel Schafler will preach
"GOING NOWHERE FAST"
An analysis of the ideas of progress and change in modern civilization

Saturday Morning, April 19 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Michael Fein
son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Fein



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Freedom - Worth Thinking About

Certain words are used so often in our spoken and written vocabulary that the fine edge gets rubbed off them. They lose their glitter and their polish; they become prosaic and dull. Among such words is "freedom". It is seen so often in the public press that a type-setter could probably set it up in his sleep. We read it and hear it so frequently that it makes no impact upon us. However, if history teaches any lesson, it is that those who are not zealous about their freedom are likely to lose it. And the great issue drawn between the Western World and the lands beyond the Iron Curtain can be summed up in that same one word.

Happily, most of us cannot even visualize what life is like without the blessings of freedom. We have not had the personal experience of living under tyranny and enforced regimentation. But this may lead us to value insufficiently the blessings we enjoy, to be apathetic and careless about the primary concern of our times.

Passover, the festival of freedom, was instituted in ancient times by the religious genius of our people so that men might be regularly reminded that life loses its savour without freedom for the individual and for the group of which he is a part. Through the ceremonies of the *Seder* the attempt is made to have us undergo vicariously the personal experience of enslavement and liberation—so that freedom becomes a fresh reality in our hearts. Thus we Jews were the first in human history to proclaim that freedom is God's plan for man and that the tyrant frustrates God's will when he enslaves his fellow human beings.

Passover reminds us that freedom is worth thinking about. More, it is worth our most serious dedication, our most determined consecration.

Judah Nadich
Rabbi

SISTERHOOD BAZAAR

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donated will be sold at attractive and appropriate booths. But they need many more articles to really insure the success an undertaking like this deserves in order to save the lives of our fellow Jews wherever possible.

The following committee has been appointed:

Chairman:	Mrs. Irwin H. Rome
Co-Chairmen:	Mrs. Herman Helpern
	Mrs. S. Wimpfheimer
Chairmen of Merchandise:	Mrs. Ted Meistrich
	Mrs. A. Schoenbaum
Chairman of Catering:	Mrs. Jacob Starr
Booth Arrangements:	Mrs. Mack H. Fieber
Treasurers:	Mrs. Samuel Gellert
	Mrs. M. Millheiser
Publicity:	Mrs. Arthur Morse
Decorations:	Mrs. Abraham Stangel

The Sisterhood would appreciate your sending in the contributions for this Bazaar-Auction as promptly as you have in the past so that they can coordinate their wares early and arrange to display them to their greatest possible advantage. All merchandise may be sent to the Synagogue and marked for the attention of Mrs Irwin H. Rome, Chairman, or if you would like a package called for, just send a postal to Mrs. Rome who will be happy to make immediate arrangements.

PLEASE RESERVE
Friday Evening, May 16, 8:30 P.M.
Our annual liturgical service
of new liturgical music
The World Premier Performance of a New Sabbath Eve Service
Composed especially
by
HERMAN BERLINSKI
Noted American Composer
In honor of
Hazzan David J. Putterman's
Twenty-fifth anniversary
As Cantor of Park Avenue Synagogue

Passover Holidays

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the eighth day Passover morning service will take place on Saturday, April 12, at 9:30 A.M., during which Yizkor Memorial services will be held.

Rabbi Nadich will preach at all of the Passover morning services.

Books At A Glance

By HILDE KISCH, *Librarian*

The Haggadah, the festival book for Passover, presents the story of the exodus of the Jews from Egypt. It is read by Jews all over the world on the eve of the holiday commemorating their liberation from Egyptian slavery. In addition to the story, it contains explanations of the symbolic foods and customs of the Seder a well as prayers and festival songs. Next to the Bible it is one of the most widely disseminated books in the world's literature. Approximately 2,000 editions of it are now in existence.

Before the art of printing was invented, in such countries as Spain, France, Italy, Germany, and Holland numerous haggadah manuscripts were written and beautifully illuminated by skillful scribes and artists from the thirteenth century on. Fortunately, several of these manuscripts have been preserved and are now owned by museums, public institutions, and private collectors in various lands. After the invention of printing a great number of haggadah editions came into being. The first complete one appeared in Prague in 1526. Published by Gershom Cohen and ornamented with fine woodcuts, its style has greatly influenced later editions, for instance, the Italian Haggadahs of Mantua (1560) and of Venice (1609). The Haggadah of Amsterdam, which is embellished with interesting copper engravings, dates from the end of the seventeenth century. During the last centuries a great many editions of this work have been published time and again in many variations and in widely scattered places: Constantinople, Budapest, The Hague, Bombay, Johannesburg, Paris, Salonika, Warsaw, Jerusalem, etc.

Outstanding among modern haggadahs published in the English language is the one executed by the contemporary artist Arthur Szyk (1894-1951), who is considered one of the greatest illuminators since the sixteenth century. His colorful, beautiful work, first printed in England, has now been published in Israel in an excellently produced edition. A copy of this book is in the possession of the Cohen Library and may be seen as part of its Passover display in the foyer of Milton Steinberg House. Several haggadahs have also been published in New

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School News

By MARTIN LEICHTLING

PESACH RECESS

The Religious School will not conduct classes during the Pesach holiday, from April 4 to April 12.

The Primary Department will resume sessions on Sunday, April 13 and the Hebrew Department on Monday, April 14.

THINGS TO DO

Plan your vacation to include the following two events and make your holiday more enjoyable:

Jewish Holiday Dance Festival for Children will be held in the Kaufman Concert Hall of the YMHA, 92nd Street and Lexington Avenue, on Monday, April 7, 1958 at 11:00 A.M. and at 2:40 P.M. This program is part of the Junior Entertainment Series, sponsored by the YMHA—admission $1.50.

The Fred Berk Dance Company and the Goren Folk Dance Group have arranged a dance program featuring scenes of Purim, Hanukkah, Shavuot and Tu BiShevat.

Hebrew Arts Film House at The Gershberg Auditorium, 120 West 16th Street, New York (Wa. 4-8650) is offering a program of four films on Tuesday, April 8, 1958 at 2:30 P. M. sponsored by the Hebrew Arts Foundation.

The program includes "Palle Alone in the World"—the story of a little boy who finds that he is all alone in the world and can do all the things he wants to do from driving a fire engine to flying a plane to the moon. "Vistas of Israel" takes the viewer through the streets of Tel Aviv to the stadium to see the world's best athletes compete in the Maccabiah and then to a visit to a new kind of zoo. After a series of Hebrew song films, the program concludes with "Tent City", the story of a young boy who settles in Israel.

Admission is fifty cents for a child and seventy-five cents for an adult. Additional performances will be given on Sunday afternoons, April 20, 27 and on May 4.

The entire family—parents and children—should include these events of Jewish cultural interest in its holiday plans.

Sisterhood Activities

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

The barriers are down! Sisterhood cordially invites men to join the ladies at their annual evening meeting to be held Tuesday, April 22, in the Lemberg Auditorium.

A brief business meeting, which will begin promptly at eight o'clock, will be given over to the report of the nominating committee to be submitted by Mrs. Harry Sokolow, its chairman. Following this, the audience will have the pleasure of hearing Dr. Evelyn Garfiel speak on "Marriage and the Family in a Changing World."

DR. EVELYN GARFIEL

A graduate of Barnard College, Dr. Garfiel holds a Ph.D. in psychology from Columbia University. Not only has she lectured on religion and psychology, but she has also taught at the University of Chicago, and in the Department of Neurology at the University of Wisconsin Medical School. At the present time, Dr. Garfiel is a member of the faculty of the Women's Institute of the Jewish Theological Seminary and of the United Synagogue Commission on Marriage and the Family. She is well qualified to discuss the Jewish view of marriage.

Dr. Garfiel is the author of "The Service of the Heart", a basic guide to a better understanding of the Jewish Prayer Book. Mrs. Judah Nadich is chairman of this important meeting, and Mrs. Jacob Starr will be in charge of a special collation.

Sisterhood Sabbath

Those who attended Sisterhood Sabbath at the Park Avenue Synagogue, Friday evening, March 7, listened with rapt attention to Mrs. Joseph Druss who spoke from the pulpit on "What My Affiliation with the Synagogue means to me."

Participating in the reading of the prayers were past presidents of Sisterhood, including Mrs. Milton Heller, Mrs. William Karmiol, Mrs. Harold H. Levin, Mrs. Edward Peiper, Mrs. Sigmund Siegel, and Mrs. Samuel Wimpfheimer. Mrs. Sol E. Green, currently president of Sisterhood, and Mrs. Judah Nadich read prayers in Hebrew.

At the conclusion of the service, an oneg shabbat was held in the Lemberg Auditorium. Sisterhood's president, Mrs. Sol E. Green, welcomed those present and spoke most eloquently on "What Sisterhood means to the Synagogue."

Sisterhood Gift Shop

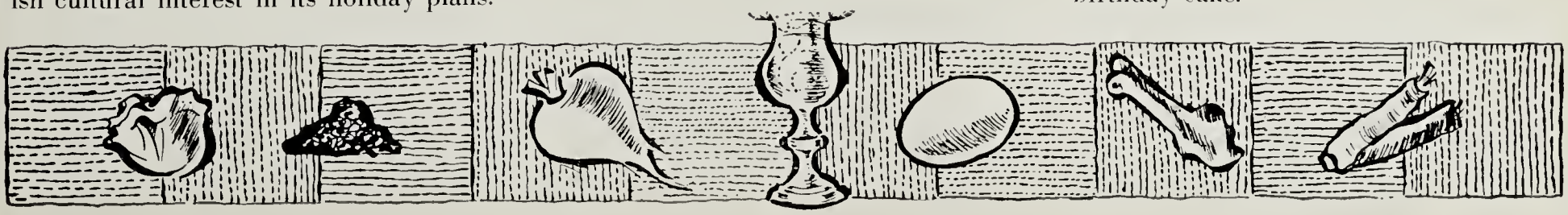
How many times have you wondered about just the right gift to bring to a hostess or to mark a special event! Irma Heller has the answer. Sisterhood gift shop, of which Irma is chairman, is a delight to the discriminating shopper. For those in search of a beautiful gift suitable for Passover, may we suggest a lovely seder plate, a charming matzos cover, or perhaps a beautiful kiddush cup. These and many other ceremonial objects direct from Israel are available. Mrs. Heller is always eager to help you make your selections. Her shop is "open for business" before all of our Sisterhood meetings.

Birthday Surprises

"Grow old along with me!
The best is yet to be."

If you were present at the meeting on March 19, when Sisterhood honored two of its members on the happy occasion of their birthdays, you were certainly impressed with the truth of Robert Browning's words. These charming ladies, who are proof that "the best is yet to be", were Mrs. Emma Luebeck and Mrs. Tillie Heller.

In behalf of Sisterhood, our president, Mrs. Sol E. Green, read her original odes in their honor and presented each dear friend with a lovely corsage and a birthday cake.



Parents Association Lecture Series Continues

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

"What Shall I tell my Child about Religion in the home?" This will be the theme of the next lecture to be given by Rabbi Nadich on Wednesday, April 23, at 1:15 P.M. in the Lemberg Auditorium.

This lecture series, sponsored by the Parents Association, has attracted many mothers who are constantly faced with the problem of "What Shall I tell my Child?"

Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer, president of the Parents Group, wishes to remind those who plan to attend, that the the lecture begins promptly at 1:15 P.M. and will take no longer than an hour.

March 19 Meeting

Those who braved the weather on the blustering March 19 to attend the meeting of the Parents Association were amply rewarded by hearing Rabbi Nadich explain the traditions and historical background of Passover.

After a word of welcome from Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer, our president, Rabbi Nadich discussed the significance of each Passover symbol which adorns the Seder Table, as well as the spiritual tone of the Service which makes Passover the Festival of Joy.

Hazzan Putterman taught some of the beautiful songs which have become so much a part of the Seder Service.

The attractive Seder Table, perfect in every detail, was the esthetic creation of Regina Stangel.

U. J. A. Honors Mrs. Sigmund A. Siegel

The Women's Division of Manhattan Organizations for U.J.A. honored Mrs. Sigmund A. Siegel at a luncheon held at the Essex House on Wednesday, March 19. On behalf of the U.J.A. Women's' Division of Manhattan Organizations, Mrs. Abraham N. Geller, a former chairman of the Women's Division, presented Phyllis Siegel with a Shekel.

A large gathering attended this function to honor Phyllis Siegel, on which occasion a total of $83,000 was raised for the U.J.A.

Mrs. David Moskowitz, Phyllis' mother, was among the guests.

Congratulations

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Davidson — Birth of granddaughter, Jane Ann

Men's Club News

By HARVEY GLASSER

Men's Club Sabbath will be held at the Synagogue on Friday evening, April 25. The theme will center on the celebration of the 10th anniversary of the founding of the State of Israel.

The occasion will also mark the start of the weekend celebration of the 10th anniversary of the founding of Men's Club which culminates in the gala 10th Anniversary Party (Ladies Night) on Saturday, April 26, in the Lemberg Auditorium.

Plans will be announced soon for Men's Club Sabbath. Dr. Harry Neivert is chairman of the committee in charge of this program. Dr. Neivert and his committee are working with Rabbi Nadich and Hazzan Putterman to assure an outstanding program.

As for the 10th Anniversary Party, Men's Club expects a capacity turnout. Be sure to make your reservations. This will be one party you will not want to miss. Excellent food, good music, thrilling entertainment and many, many other surprises. The date is Saturday night, April 26.

Torah Fund Luncheon To Be Held, April 30

Mrs. Sol E. Green, president of Sisterhood, has requested that we remind you of the annual Torah Fund luncheon, which will take place on Wednesday, April 30, at B'nai Jeshurun.

Torah Fund helps maintain many activities of the Jewish Theological Seminary, including the "Eternal Light" radio program, the TV "Frontiers of Faith", the Jewish Museum, the Seminary Library, as well as the Ramah camps. It also assists in the expanding recruiting campaign of Seminary to prepare spiritual leaders, cantors and religious teachers to fill the many vacancies that exist today.

Mrs. Jack Kurzweil and Mrs. Max Zahler, co-chairmen of Sisterhood's Torah Fund, will be happy to receive your reservations for this luncheon.

MEMORIAL (YIZKOR) SERVICES

to be held on last day of Passover

Saturday morning, April 12

Those wishing to memoralize any member of their family, please return the enclosed card to the Synagogue Office, no later than Tuesday, April 8.

Books at a Glance

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York City, among them the Reconstructionist *New Haggadah*, edited by Mordecai M. Kaplan, E. Kohn, and Ira Eisenstein, and the one translated by Abraham Regelson and illustrated by Siegmund Forst.

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Changing Your Address?

In order to keep our synagogue records up to date, may we ask that members who have recently moved or who have changed their telephone numbers notify the synagogue office.

If you plan such a change in the near future, will you also please notify the office so that our records can be changed accordingly.

Condolences

Mrs. Alfred Luebeck, upon the death of her husband, Alfred Luebeck, to her children and grandchildren and to Mrs. Emma Luebeck upon the death of her son

Jesse G. Fox—Death of his sister, Felicia Barr

Mrs. Louis Grossman—Death of her brother, Harry Hordiner

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Gutman—Death of their son, Edward Gutman

Dr. Samuel Beranbaum—death of his father, Mendel Beranbaum

Mrs. Benjamin Bernstein—Death of her father, Samuel Joseph

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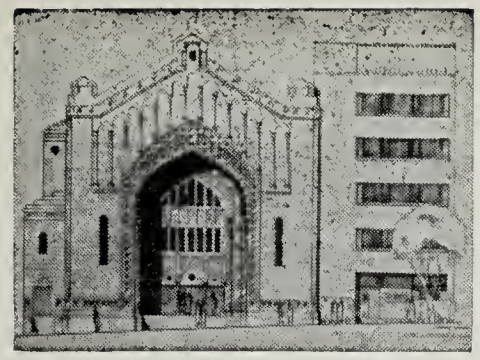

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Hazzan Putterman To Be Honored On 25th Anniversary As Cantor Of Park Avenue Synagogue, Sunday Evening, May 4

By Muriel Morse

On Sunday evening, May 4 at 8:15 P.M. the Park Avenue Synagogue will celebrate a most important milestone in its history—a celebration of the twenty-five years of dedicated service of our beloved Hazzan David J. Putterman.

HAZZAN DAVID J. PUTTERMAN

A special program has been planned for this occasion. It will start with a brief Maariv service, followed by a program of tribute. The Choral Ensemble of the Cantors Institute of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America will sing in honor of Hazzan Putterman, who is the spiritual father of this Cantors Institute. He actually was the first American trained Cantor.

This excellent Choral Ensemble is making a great departure from its usual policy by coming to the Park Avenue Synagogue and singing for a distinguished Cantor as they do not ordinarily perform away from the Seminary. The singing by this Ensemble is significant as David Putterman's entire career has been devoted to the cultural advancement of Jewish music and to elevating the standards and status of the American Cantorate.

The Ensemble will be under the direction of Dr. Hugo Weisgall, chairman of the faculties of the Seminary College of Jewish Music and the Cantors Institute. Mr. George Crook will be the accompanist.

The evening's program will include brief expressions of appreciation for his devoted and faithful service by Joseph Howard Katz, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Jacob Klein, president of the Synagogue and the various groups of the Synagogue. Rabbi Judah Nadich will deliver the message of tribute.

The expressions which this particular evening will afford can in no sense measure up to the great amount of sincere esteem and affection all the individuals have for David Putterman. For twenty-five years he has fully dedicated himself to the Synagogue and to the congregants of all ages, at their times of joy and sorrow. No Bar Mitzvah boy will

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William Heller Facade Dedicated, Fri., May 2

As part of the Friday evening service on May 2, the William Heller stained glass facade of the Milton Steinberg House will be formally dedicated, in memory of the late Rabbi Milton Steinberg.

This beautiful facade, which covers the entire front of the Milton Steinberg House, was made possible through the generosity of Mr. and Mrs. William Heller, members of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

Their son, Ben Heller, was active in the selection of the renowned artist, Adolph Gottlieb, whose creative artistry helped make the Milton Steinberg House world famous.

A former member of the Board of Trustees of the Park Avenue Synagogue, Mr. William Heller has been identified with our congregation for many years.

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Men's Club Sabbath Service, April 25 To Mark 10th Anniversary of State of Israel

According to the Hebrew calendar, Israel Independence Day, the fifth day of Iyar, this year occurs on Friday, April 25. Ten years ago the State of Israel came into being and for the first time in over eighteen hundred years there was once again a free and independent Jewish State.

On this date a year of celebration will begin in the State of Israel and throughout the world. The Park Avenue Synagogue will mark this historic occasion with special services on Friday evening, April 25, and on Saturday morning, April 26.

On Friday evening, the State of Israel will be represented by Hon. Gideon Saguy, the Consul of Israel in New York, who will speak on "Israel—The First Decade".

Mr. Gideon Saguy has lived in Israel since the age of 14. A graduate of Herzlia High School in Tel Aviv, he studied history at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem but had to give up his studies when he volunteered for service in the British Army, and for five years served in the African Theater of War.

Mr. Saguy was a member of the Haganah since 1936, and in 1948 was called up for full time service during the Israel War of Independence. With the rank of major, he was Chief Instructor at the Army School of Administration and of the first Women's Officers Course of the Israel Defense Army.

On his release from the Army in 1950, Mr. Saguy joined the Ministry for Foreign Affairs, and in September 1952 was

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Ten Years of Israel

"Seldom in history at the birth of new nations have hopes been so high or so frail as they were ten years ago this week when the resurgent State or Israel struggled into renewed existence after 2,000 years of Jewish dispersion.

Back in 1948, the pessimists and ill-wishers shook their heads in gloom—Israel could not survive more than a few weeks against the armed onslaught of the whole Arab world. But the weeks became months and years and today, at the close of its first decade of independence, even its bitterest foes, beaten in war and in the arts of peace alike, concede that Israel is here to stay.

Ten years is but a day in the history of a people as old as the Jews, but the record of ten years of Israel falls little short of miraculous.

Since 1948, the population has increased from 750,000 to two million, the great majority of whom were destitute refugees either from the ruins of Central and Eastern Europe or the newer centers of persecution in the Middle East and North Africa.

What was once desert, wasteland, or swamp has been won back to cultivation after two thousand years of neglect.

But it is not in material things alone that Israel is strong. Indeed, the world looks to the people of the Bible for more than material prosperity.

There has been an unprecedented flowering in art and the sciences demonstrated by the vitality of great institutions of learning, medicine, scientific and technical research and music as well as scores of other community enterprises.

There are few nations in the world that can claim such a record of achievement, and this is even more noteworthy considering the obstacles that have beset Israel's progress.

It is an impressive record, and America's own contribution in sympathy, understanding, public aid, and private philanthropy has been richly justified. Israel and her friends have reason to be proud."

Goldings Contribute 500 Additional Prayer Books

The Park Avenue Synagogue is fortunate in being able to announce an additional contribution made to our Synagogue by Mr. and Mrs. Jerrold R. Golding. The Goldings have just contributed 500 additional Sabbath Prayer Books published by the Reconstructionist Foundation. This prayer book is used every Friday evening and Saturday morning at our Sabbath services.

The generous contribution was made in memory of Mr. Golding's mother, the late Sue Golding.

The Goldings had also recently contributed 500 copies of the Hertz Pentateuch with a similar memorial.

"Shirtsleeve" Conference For Putterman Reception

Joseph Howard Katz, chairman of our Board of Trustees has announced that a "shirtsleeve" conference of the leadership of the Synagogue will take place Wednesday evening, April 23 at our synagogue.

The meeting has been called for 8:15 P.M. for the purpose of calling to the attention of our congregation the signal honor which is being tendered to our Hazzan David Putterman on the occasion of the twenty-fifth anniversary of his faithful and devoted service to the Park Avenue Synagogue, which will culminate with the reception and service of tribute to be given in our Synagogue on Sunday evening, May 4.

Invited to this conference are the officers of the Synagogue, the members of the Board of Trustees and the Advisory Council, and the officers and Board Members of all of the arms of the Synagogue, including Sisterhood, Men's Club, Parents Association, and the Mr. and Mrs. Club.

Cohen Library Awarded Citation

The Cohen Library of the Park Avenue Synagogue is to be awarded a citation on May 14 by the Jewish Book Council of America. This citation is given to those Jewish libraries in the United States and Canada which meet the high standards established by the Jewish Book Council.

Mr. Asa D. Sokolow, the chairman of the Cohen Library Committee, will accept the citation on behalf of the library.

Reflections on Our Seder

By MRS. TUBIE RESNIK

Can you imagine a family blessed with 285 members, all gathered to observe the Passover service? Not just an average family, but one including the golden voice of a Hazzan, a David Putterman, a warm, interesting and learned Rabbi, a Judah Nadich, and so many, many bright, lovely children.

Yes, that was the sight that greeted those who joined with us to participate in the second *Seder* which we observed Saturday evening, April 4, in the Lemberg Auditorium. It was a heart-warming occasion, intimate, friendly and meaningful.

Assisted by the Synagogue choir with Mr. George Crook at the piano, Hazzan Putterman led the singing of those melodies that make the *Seder* so beautiful and contribute so much to the festivity of the occasion. Rabbi Nadich interpreted the Haggadah in such dramatic fashion, that we all relived the great emancipation of our forefathers.

Judging from the enthusiastic comments of those who attended our congregational *Seder*, and from the increasing number of requests we receive each year, we will undoubtedly have to find some way to accommodate the great number who will want to join us next Passover.

As chairman of the Seder committee, I want to thank those who helped make this *Seder* such a success. For me to have served as chairman was a most rewarding experience.

Religious School Scholarship Fund

The Scholarship Fund of our Religious School has been made the richer by a contribution received from Mr. and Mrs. Ezra Cohen of $100 in memory of Mrs. Cohen's parents, Rose and Charles Weill. This fund enables children, who might otherwise be deprived of a Jewish education because of the inability of their parents to pay the tuition fees, to attend our Religious School.

Mrs. Sigmund Siegel, chairman of the Religious School Board, in forwarding this donation, has pointed out that this method of contribution is a splendid way to memoralize the departed. We are thankful to Tillie and Ezra Cohen for their gift and hope that this example will be followed by others.

All Day Bazaar-Auction Wednesday, April 29

By MURIEL MORSE

Plans are well formulated for a complete day of pleasure and bargains for every member of the family at Sisterhood's Bazaar and Auction for UJA. Everyone has been most responsive and the articles sent in are really exciting—a gorgeous hat by Sally Victor, a magnificent bag by Coblentz—even a very beautiful painting by Maxine Leibman of a ballet dancer—plus all kinds of down-to-earth items everyone needs.

If your intentions were good and you said you would send something, it is needed right away as Sisterhood still needs more merchandise and many promises haven't yet been fulfilled. Each item donated, whether large or small, will help make this bazaar another huge success.

Something new has been added this year for your pleasure and entertainment. There's going to be "Horseracing" immediately following the Auction. So after your spirits are stirred by the Auction and by Harold H. Levin, who has graciously agreed to act as the Auctioneer, you can continue to enjoy yourselves in the simple game of "Horseracing."

The bar will again have two attendants so you will be assured of good service in that department. Anne Starr's menus for this year sound even more delicious than last year, if that's possible.

All of this activity shapes up into this: 11 A.M.—Start of sale at bargain, "-give-away" prices. 12 Noon—Luscious Lunch will be served in the "Cafe UJA" for $1.00. 12:01 P.M.—Continuation of selling merchandise at rock-bottom prices. 5 P.M.—Bar opens for Cocktails and merchandise continues to sell. 6 P.M.—Delicious Dinner will be served in the "Cafe UJA" for $2.50. 8:15 P.M. —Delicious Dinner will be served in the "Cafe UJA" for $2.50. 8:15 P.M.—Auction. 9:15—"Horseracing."

Don't forget to come to the Bazaar and have a good time! All proceeds go to UJA.

RESERVE THIS DATE
Annual Congregational
Dinner-Meeting
Sunday evening, May 18
6 o'clock
Lemberg Auditorium
Election of Officers
and Trustees

Putterman Celebration

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forget the proud moments of fruition born from many long months of patient and understanding teaching by Hazzan Putterman. For twenty-five years he worked toward the constant enhancement of Jewish worship. Few congregations have ever been fortunate enough to hear their beautiful prayers always chanted in a voice of concert quality. The annual services of new liturgical music are accepted as a major musical event, not only in the Park Avenue Synagogue, but in the realm of general music as well.

Hazzan Putterman came to the Park Avenue Synagogue in 1933, when our late revered Rabbi Milton Steinberg came to minister to our congregation. Together they helped usher in the "golden era" of our congregation.

An elaborate reception in the Lemberg Auditorium has been planned to immediately follow the service. This will give the hundreds of congregants and friends of Hazzan Putterman's an opportunity to personally congratulate him and to share his happiness on this memorable evening of celebrating twenty-five years of association with the Park Avenue Synagogue.

Dr. Milton Helpern Honored With Award

Dr. Milton Helpern, member of our Board of Trustees, was recently honored by the Law Science Institute and Foundation with its distinguished award citation and gold medal for his pioneering in the establishment of a more scientific method in the medical examiner system. He also has been made an honorary member of Phi Beta Kappa.

Dr. Helpern, who has been chief medical examiner in New York City for more than a decade, was instrumental in making the New York City medical examiner system a model throughout the country.

In addition to his regular duties, he devotes much of his time to teaching, as well as writing articles on forensic pathology and legal medicine. He is a professor and department chairman of forensic medicine at New York University and also an assistant professor of clinical medicine at Cornell University. Dr. Helpern is also a Fellow of the New York Academy of Medicine and of the New York Academy of Science. He is also chairman of the Medical Society of the County of New York and a member of the Medical Advisory Board of the Ha-

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Men's Club Sabbath

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assigned to the Embassy of Israel in London as Second Secretary where he remained until April 1955, when he was transferred to the Consulate General of Israel in New York as Vice Consul. In January 1957 he was appointed Consul.

The Men's Club of the Park Avenue Synagogue will sponsor this service. In view of the fact that Men's Club Sabbath coincides with Israel's Independence Day, the music for this service will be by Israeli composers. Dr. Sigmund A. Siegel, president of the Men's Club, will introduce the guest speaker and the following members of the Men's Club will participate in reading various parts of the service: Dr. Arthur Morse, Dr. Leon Klein, Dr. Erich Siegel, Mr. Lawrence Meyers, Dr. Samuel Stern and Dr. Harry Neivert. Mr. Milton Sivek, past president of the Men's Club, will also be seated on the *bimah.*

Following the service, a reception and Oneg Shabbat will be held in the Lemberg Auditorium. On Saturday morning, April 26 Rabbi Nadich will preach. Special readings will be introduced in honor of the occasion at both the Friday evening and Saturday morning services.

Mr. & Mrs. Club Donates To Milton Steinberg Fund

By MRS. JEROME S. MITTELMAN

We are still hearing about the Club's thrilling Las Vegas Nite. Many thanks are due to Chairlady Rose Krones and her assistants Alix Davidson, Ruth Pordy, Colette Schaefer, Ramee Silbert, and Alma Winters for making the occasion so enjoyable and successful. They and their husbands helped stage an evening to remember. A contribution of $300 has been made from the proceeds of this party to the Milton Steinberg Memorial Fund.

The regular meeting of April 8 featured dance instruction contributed by the Philips School of Dancing.

May 2 Sabbath Service

On May 2, the Mr. and Mrs. Club will sponsor the Friday Evening Service. At that time there will be dedication ceremonies for the Mr. and Mrs. William Heller facade of the Milton Steinberg House. Rabbi Judah Nadich will speak on "Is It Best To Forget?" which will commemorate the fifteenth anniversary of the Battle of the Warsaw Ghetto. Following the services, there will be a collation in the Lemberg Auditorium.

Sisterhood News

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

Those who attended Sisterhood's annual evening meeting on Tuesday, April 22, heard Dr. Evelyn Garfiel, eminent psychologist and author speak on "Marriage and the Family in a Changing World." Introduced by Mrs. Judah Nadich, Dr. Garfiel evoked keen interest in her discussion of a most provocative subject. Mrs. Harry J. Sokolow, chairman of the evening, and her committee were responsible for the delicious collation.

Sisterhood's Birthday Party

Everybody loves a birthday party! Here is your advance notice and invitation to Sisterhood's birthday celebration to be held on Tuesday, May 20, in the Lemberg Auditorium. Plans are under way for a wonderful afternoon. Complete details will be given in the next issue of the Bulletin. Do save this date and plan to join us.

Heller Dedication

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He has been interested in Jewish education and has served on the board of the Jewish Education Committee. One of his outstanding interests has been the American Fund for Israel Institutions of which he served as vice president for over a decade. It was through the late Rabbi Milton Steinberg that Mr. Heller became actively identified with this organization, which supports more than forty Israel cultural institutions including museums, theatres, orchestras, as well as agricultural and mental health schools, and also a naval training school.

Several years ago, Mr. and Mrs. Heller went to Israel to lay the cornerstone of the cultural center erected in Tel Aviv which was to house an auditorium for the philharmonic orchestra of Israel and other community activities.

Mr. William Heller has also been active in United Jewish Appeal fund raising campaigns even prior to the formation of the present United Jewish Appeal and also for the Federation of Jewish Philanthropic Societies.

Mrs. William Heller, too, is interested in childhood education for the American-Jewish child. She served as president of the West Side Division of Ivriah for many years. This was the Women's Division of the Jewish Education Committee until it became a part of Federation. She also served as chairman of the Beth Hayeled School since its inception more than twenty years ago.

This Sabbath Service will be sponsored by the Mr. and Mrs. Club, who will act as hostesses at the reception which will follow in the Lemberg Auditorium.

Schedule of Religious Services

Friday Evening, April 25 ..... 8:30 P.M.

The Annual Men's Club Sabbath Service
Honorable Gideon Saguy, Consul of Israel in New York
will speak on
"ISRAEL — THE FIRST DECADE"
Oneg Shabbat

Saturday Morning, April 26 ..... 9:30 A.M.

Bar Mitzvah of Stephen Jochsberger,
son of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Jochsberger

Friday Evening, May 2 ..... 8:30 P.M.

Mr. and Mrs. Club Sabbath Service
"IS IT BEST TO FORGET?"
Upon the Fifteenth Anniversary of the Battle of the Warsaw Ghetto
Dedication of the Heller Facade of the Milton Steinberg House
Oneg Shabbat

Saturday Morning, May 3 ..... 9:30 A.M.

Bat Mitzvah of Sheryl Iva Shapiro,
daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Lee Shapiro

Rabbi Judah Nadich will speak Friday evenings and preach on the Scriptural Portion each Saturday morning.
The Services will be conducted by Rabbi Nadich and Hazzan David J. Putterman, assisted by the Synagogue Choir with Mr. George Crook at the organ.

Dr. Helpern Award

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dassah Medical School of the Hebrew University in Jerusalem.

We join with Dr. Helpern's colleagues in extending our congratulations upon the new honor bestowed upon him.

Condolences

Mr. Solomon E. Green — death of brother, Joseph Green

Mrs. Theodore Reichman—death of her mother, Mrs. Thelma Rae Brodersohn

REMINDER
Friday Evening, May 16, 8:30 P.M.
Our annual liturgical service of new liturgical music
The World Premiere Performance of a New Sabbath Eve Service
Composed especially by
HERMAN BERLINSKI
Noted American Composer
In honor of
Hazzan David J. Putterman's
Twenty-fifth anniversary
As Cantor of Park Avenue Synagogue

Congratulations

Mr. & Mrs. Albert Siegel — 20th Wedding Anniversary, April 10th

Mr. & Mrs. Nathaniel Usdan—birth of a son, and to the grandparents, Mr. & Mrs. Samuel Lemberg

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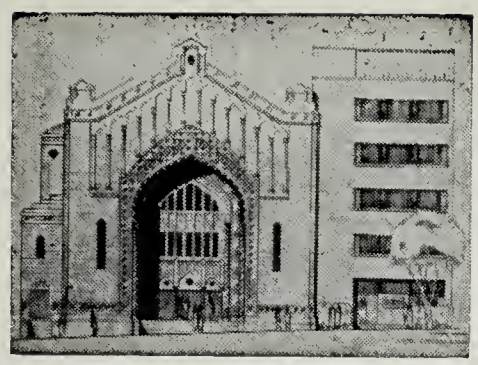

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Fourteenth Annual Service of New Liturgical Music To Be Presented Friday Eve, May 16, at 8:30 P.M.

HAZZAN DAVID J. PUTTERMAN

The Fourteenth Annual Liturgical Service of new Liturgical Music by contemporary composers will be presented at the Park Avenue Synagogue regular Friday Evening Service, May 16, at 8:30 P.M. These annual services, inaugurated in 1943 by our own Hazzan David J. Putterman, have become a part of the tradition of the Park Avenue Synagogue and are recognized as a major musical event in the field of Liturgical Music.

Dedicated to the enhancement of Jewish worship and the wider utilization of the resources of Jewish music, these programs have served as a source of encouragement to those who give of their lives and genius to its enrichment.

Composer

HERMAN BERLINSKI

Conductor

RICHARD KORN

Hazzan Putterman, founder of the Cantors Assembly of America and its executive vice-president, as well as Director of the Department of Music of the United Synagogue of America, has invited some of the world's most distinguished composers to participate in the creation of new musical settings for the Sabbath Evening Service.

Last year the annual Liturgical Music Service, which was presented at the Park

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Slate To Be Elected At Annual Meeting, May 18

The Annual Congregational Dinner-Meeting of the Park Avenue Synagogue will be held Sunday evening, May 18, in the Lemberg Auditorium.

Notice of this annual meeting has been sent to the membership of our congregation with a request that they return their reservation cards in the event that they intend to attend the cocktail party and dinner, which will precede the business part of the meeting. The cost of each reservation will be $5.00 per person, the balance of the charge will be subsidized by the Synagogue. The dinner will commence at 6:00 P.M. Mrs. Arthur Morse is chairman of the Congregational Dinner Committee. The formal business part of the meeting will begin promptly at 8:30 o'clock.

The proposed slate of officers and trustees submitted by Benjamin Sack, chairman of the Nominating Committee, and which was approved at the last meeting

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Appleman Chapel To Be Dedicated Fri. Eve, May 9

The Appleman Chapel of the Milton Steinberg House will be formally dedicated at the Friday Evening Service to be held Friday, May 9, at 8:30 P.M.

This Chapel was made possible through the generosity of Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Appleman, who have been identified with the Park Avenue Synagogue for many years.

The distinguished candelabrum and ark doors contained in the Appleman Chapel were sculptured by Calvin Albert, well known American sculptor, who has exhibited in many art shows and museums. The technique used by Mr. Albert was to use molten metal, a departure from methods normally employed.

The Ark doors have been exhibited in galleries, even before they were actually

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25 Years Service An Appreciation

On Sunday evening, May 4, the congregational family of the Park Avenue Synagogue paid tribute to Hazzan David J. Putterman for twenty-five years of devoted and faithful service.

It was on outward manifestation of the gratitude genuinely felt by so many, of the affection and esteem in which the cantor is held. For a quarter of a century, his beautiful voice has led the congregation in prayer. But even more—for added to the beauty of voice there are within him a love for Judaism and its traditions, a master's knowledge of music and an insistence upon lofty standards in all things. The emotional, the intellectual and the aesthetic are happily blended in this musicianship. Therefore, his rendition of the Hebrew prayers has been characterized always by understanding, dignity and grace so that countless worshippers have been moved and uplifted. And most important of all, he has seen in his profession an opportunity for adding to life's holiness by inspiring his fellow-Jews to moments of communion with God.

In his personal contacts with our people for a quarter of a century he has been mentor, teacher and friend to generations of Bar Mitzvah boys and Bat Mitzvah girls. He has comforted in time of sorrow and added to the joy of families in time of rejoicing.

The high evaluation he places upon his profession has moved him to dedicate his life to the raising of its standards throughout the nation. So he helped to found the Cantors Assembly of America and from its inception has served as its executive leader. H was a prime mover too in the creation of the Cantors Institute of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America and has served on its faculty from its beginnings. Thus his advocacy of the finest and the highest in Jewish music and congregational worship has had a national influence which will continue to make itself felt as long as Judaism will exist on the American continent.

May he be blessed with good health and strength so that he will give of his uniquely rich talents for the blessing of us all and of the American Jewish community for many years to come.

Ve' khen yehi ratzon!

Judah Nadich
Rabbi

Remember Your Synagogue

The Committee on Gifts, Wills and Bequests, headed by Hon. Maxwell Shapiro, is preparing a brochure to be used in the near future in connection with the subject of gifts inter vivos and testamentary bequests.

One of the most difficult problems confronting religious institutions today is the need of endowments to insure the perpetuation of such institutions.

It seems strange that the synagogue is not too often remembered in the wills of those who have the means to make this form of contribution, despite the fact that American Jews endow universities, homes for the aged, hospitals, museums, symphony orchestras, and many other worthwhile philanthropic enterprises.

The question is sometimes asked whether this is because such form of contribution deals with intangibles, the things of the spirit that are not so obvious. After all, the synagogue is the crystalized expression of their belief in God and in righteousness. It is the primary source of our being as a religious community. It is the institution through which American Jews assume their rightful place in the American pattern.

It is hoped that the membership of our congregation will be inspired to remember the Park Avenue Synagogue not only during their lifetime, but also in their wills.

Anyone Have A Piano?

The Steinway in the Lemberg Auditorium, now about ready to play its "last chord", has served us well for many years but it cannot produce good music any longer.

Does any member of our Congregation own a piano in good working condition which he no longer needs or know where we can get one?

If you do, please communicate with the Synagogue office. EN. 9-2600.

Books at a Glance

By HILDE KISCH, *Librarian*

Biographical writings relate to us the life experiences and the intellectual and moral development of outstanding personalites. Memoirs, diaries, and letters, often not intended for publication, also offer rich biographical material. The stories of great figures in Jewish history —protagonists in its making and shaping —of the leaders of movements, of great rabbis and Jewish scholars in the secular sciences, contribute considerably to our understanding of the destiny of the Jewish people in the past and in the present.

Brief sketches of Jewish heroes and thinkers are, of course, found in the well-known Jewish encyclopedias. But the really interested reader will naturally prefer to turn to full-length biographies.

The Cohen Library is well supplied with older and more recent biographical works, including many for young readers. There are, for instance, — and very timely on the tenth annivesary of the State of Israel — volumes on all prominent Zionist and Israeli personalities: *Theodore Herzel*, by Alex Bein; *Trial and Error*, the autobiography of the first president of Israel, Chaim Weizmann, and Rachel Baker's *Chaim Weizmann, Builder of a Nation;* the story of the present energetic and colorful Prime Minister, *Ben-Gurion of Israel*, by Barnett Litvinoff; and a biography of the Jewish patriot Vladimir Jabotinsky by Joseph B. Schechtman, entitled *Rebel and Statesman*. Mare Syrkin's *Way of Valor* is a record of the life and work of Golda Meir, the present Foreign Minister.

Also available are books on eminent scientists: *Einstein, His Life and Times*, by Philip Frank; *My Life with the Microbes*, an autobiography by Selman A. Waksman, the Nobel prize-winner for the discovery of streptomycin; and the three-volume work by Ernest Jones on *The Life and Work of Sigmund Freud*. The reader who is interested in music will find the autobiography of Darius Milhaud, *Notes without Music*, as well as *A Journey to Greatness, the Life and Music of George Gershwin*, by David Ewen. Works on outstanding Jewish political figures and purists are not lacking either and will surely make fascinating reading: Margaret Coit's *Mr. Baruch*, and *My Own Story*, written by Bernard Baruch himself; *Louis Marshall, Champion of Liberty, Selected Papers and Addresses* by Charles Reznikoff; and the

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Liturgical Music Service

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Avenue Synagogue was the composite composition of three eminent composers. one of whom was Herman Berlinski.

This year, we are proud to present the world premiere performance of a new Sabbath Eve Service composed by Mr. Herman Berlinski in honor of the twenty-fifth anniversary of Hazzan David J Putterman's devoted and loyal service to the Park Avenue Synagogue.

Mr. Berlinski. the composer was born in Leipzig, Germany, and received his musical education at the State Conservatory in Leipzig, and in the Ecole Normale DeMusique, Paris. He was the first person to receive the degree of "Master of Sacred Music" from the Seminary College of Jewish Music of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America. His composition "Music for the Peace of Mind" received its premiere performance last February at the opening of the American Musical Festival. Another of his works. "And Behold the Bush Burneth" will be played at the International Organists Conference in London by the eminent organist Dr. Robert Baker. Mr. Berlinski currently is the assistant organist at Temple-Emanu-El in New York City and also instructor of music at the Cantors Institute of the Seminary.

The program will be presented by Hazzan Putterman and the synagogue choir augmented, with George Crook at the organ. The conductor will be Richard Korn.

Mr. Korn, a graduate of Princeton University at the age of nineteen, won fellowships in conducting at the Juilliard Graduate School and the National Orchestral Association. At Serge Koussevitzky's invitation he studied with Koussevitzky at Tanglewood and continued his studies in composition with Bernard Wagenaar. During World War II while serving in the Coast Guard, Mr. Korn was director of music at the Manhattan Beach Training Station.

Since the war, he has conducted many of America's major orchestras including the NBC Symphony and has been permanent conductor of the Baton Rouge Symphony. He has also been acclaimed as guest conductor of many leading orchestras in Europe.

In addition to success in the field of conducting. Mr. Korn has composed in many forms and has made a number of transcriptions for band and orchestra, including opera, ballet and recordings, as well as symphony concerts.

Due to the unusually large attendance at the services, reservation cards have been sent to the members. These should be returned to the synagogue office indicating the number of tickets desired.

Following the service, a reception will be held in the Lemberg Auditorium in honor of the composer and the participating artists.

Tributes To Hazzan David J. Putterman On His Twenty-Fifth Anniversary

Many persons from all walks of life have written to our Congregation and Cantor Putterman on the occasion of our celebration of his twenty-five years of service to the Park Avenue Synagogue. We take the libery of reproducing a few of these.

RABBI LOUIS I. NEWMAN, Congregation Rodeph Sholom, New York: "Cantor Putterman has had a distinguished career and his quarter century of service in the Park Avenue Synagogue has been notable in every way. He has an eminent place among his colleagues and in the community, and I know the Tribute will be a symbol of the influence he has exerted and continue to exert for good. Please accept the best wishes of Congregation Rodeph Sholom."

MAX J. ETRA, President, Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun, New York:

"It is a milestone, the attainment of which should bring great satisfaction to him, even as it must bring great joy to your congregation. My best wishes to him for many more years of service to your congregation and to religious Jewry."

RABBI JOSEPH H. LOOKSTEIN, Kehilath Jeshurun, New York:

"Throughout our association, I have learned to respect him and to cherish a great deal of personal affection for him.

My esteem for him is all the greater because I consider him one of the finest examples of the cantorial art. He is a person who brought dignity and prestige to the sacred calling of "sh'liach zibbur". He is in the truest sense a representative of the community deserving to stand in prayer before God."

SIMON GREENBERG, Vice-Chancellor, Jewish Theological Seminary, New York:

"The Park Avenue Synagogue is to be congratulated on having given to Hazzan Putterman the opportunity not merely to serve the congregation but also to serve the larger interest of Jewish liturgical music and of the profession of the Hazzan in our country. Hazzan Putterman has been blessed not only with a very sweet and beautiful voice and with rare ability to interpret the prayers of our people. He has also been endowed with great energy and initiative and with the ability to undertake the difficult organizational task of bringing the Cantors Assembly into being and of leading the Assembly during its difficult formative years. I pray that there may be in store for him many more years of loyal and fruitful service to the cause to which his life has been so gloriously dedicated.

DR. LOUIS FINKELSTEIN, Chancellor, Jewish Theological Seminary, New York:

"My heart is with you. I rejoice in the good fortune of the Park Avenue Synagogue in having you as its Hazzan. It was my great privilege to introduce both you and Rabbi Milton Steinberg to the Park Avenue Synagogue and I am delighted that this privilege came to me. I hope all will continue to be well with you and pray that you may have the blessings of effective service to the community for many years to come."

ALICE AND JAN PEERCE:

"All of our good wishes and love to you, for many, many more years of happiness and success that you so justly deserve."

LAZARE SAMINSKY, Music Director of Congregation Emanu-El, New York:

"I wish to congratulate you on your devoted and highly fruitful service to Jewish music and Jewish culture, so dear to us.

RABBI JACK J.COHEN, Society for the Advancement of Judaism. New York:

"I wish you much happiness and many more fruitful years of concentrated work in the enhancement of hazzanut. All of your friends at the SAJ join me in the hope that your voice will continue to be heard in song and in thoughtful expression of the aspirations of the hazzan."

DR. MOSHE DAVIS. Provost. Jewish Theological Seminary of America, New York:

"For several decades now and more, you have been in the forefront of the religious musical life in this country. You have given wholeheartedly of yourself in voice and action. While you served so magnificently in your own Congregation.

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Men's Club's Celebration A Rousing Success

By HARVEY GLASSER

Men's Club gala weekend celebration of April 25 and 26, commemorating the Tenth Anniversaries of the founding of the State of Israel and the Men's Club of the Park Avenue Synagogue, was a rousing success and a highly gratifying experience for all the many who attended either or both functions.

Those who attended Men's Club Sabbath on Friday night, April 25, in honor of the Tenth Anniversary of the State of Israel, heard Gideon Saguy, Israeli Consul in New York speak on the topic, "Israel—The First Decade." Mr. Saguy was introduced by Men's Club president, Dr. Sigmund A. Siegel. Also present and seated on the pulpit were former Men's Club presidents, Milton M. Sivek and Joseph Howard Katz. Dr. Harry Neivert, Dr. Samuel Stern, Leon Klein, Dr. Arthur Morse, Lawrence A. Meyers and Dr. Erich Siegel, members of the Men's Club participated in the religious part of the service. They were treated to a wonderful Oneg Shabbat following the service presented by the Men's Club under the supervision of Jack Boorstein and Julian Jacobs. During the Oneg Shabbat Cantor David J. Putterman led the assembled in singing Israeli songs.

Annual Ladies Night

Men's Club's Tenth Anniversary Party, held Saturday night, April 26, and designated this year's Annual Ladies Night, was, in short, just sensational. All the ingredients were present for a most enjoyable time, including delicious cuisine, entertainment, music, dancing and informal conviviality. Harry Dubin, Albert Siegel and the other membes of the committee deserve our heartfelt thanks for an outstanding job. The Lemberg Auditorium of the Synagogue was transformed into the decorous "21 Club" for the night, creating the realistic atmosphere of an intimate supper club. Also deserving of our thanks are Dr. Alexander S. Forster, chairman of the donations committee, and Ted Meistrich and Tubie Resnik, who donated some of the valuable prizes which were given away. It seemed as if almost everyone present won a door prize.

One of the cherished moments of the party was the singing of "Happy Birthday" to the Men's Club by all of the ladies present. As for the name "21 Club", someone figured out that there are 21 steps down from the lobby of the Milton Steinberg House to the Lemberg Auditorium, and thus the name was born. This was typical of the imagination and planning that went into making the Tenth Anniversary Party and Ladies Night one long to be remembered.

Annual Meeting, MAY 27

Concerning things and events to remember, Men's Club Annual Election Meeting and Dinner is Tuesday, May 27, 1958. Hon. Louis J. Lefkowitz, Attorney General of the State of New York, will be our guest speaker. Watch for details by separate mailing.

Frederick Finn Elected Honorary Board Trustee

Mr. Frederick Finn, the first person to serve as Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Park Avenue Synagogue, and presently serving on the Advisory Council, was recommended by the Nominating Committee in its recent report submitted to the Board of Trustees to be elevated to the position of Honorary Trustee. His election as Honorary Trustee of the Park Avenue Synagogue was for "conspicuous service rendered to the synagogue." The report was unanimously accepted by the board and formal announcement will be made at the forthcoming Annual Congregational Meeting to be held Sunday evening, May 18.

Mr. Finn, who emigrated from Belgium in 1920, became an active and devoted member of our synagogue and served as Chairman of the Board for a five year period. He also was chairman of the Religious School Board for many years. He was active on the committe which made arrangements to repurchase the original mortgage on our synagogue property many years ago.

In addition to these positions, Mr. Finn served as a member of the Finance Commttee and the committee which was instrumental in securing the services of our late and revered Rabbi Milton Steinberg.

The fervor and devotion with which Mr. Finn served our congregation warrants this newly acquired honor which has been bestowed upon him.

Emanuel Rosenthal,
Secretary

Judge Botein Speaks To Legal Aid Society

Mr. Justice Botein, an honorary trustee of the Park Avenue Synagogue, recently addressed the annual meeting of the Legal Aid Society on "Our Sixth Sense-The Sense of Justice".

Now serving as the Presiding Justice of the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court, First Department, Mr. Justice Botein has had vast experience in the field of jurisprudence. His address dealt with the dedicated contributions made by the Legal Aid Society and the splendid assistance rendered by young volunteers from some of the finest law firms in the city in representing accused persons who otherwise might not obtain a fair hearing.

In referring to the Constitutional guarantee that "no man shall be deprived of his life, liberty or property without due process of law", Mr. Justice Botein called attention to the fact that these rights are not limited to persons of unblemished reputation and highest character, but are "accorded to all—the blessed and the damned, the reformer and the racketeer".

Sisterhood Group Visits Home For Jewish Blind

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

On Thursday, April 24, a group of ladies from the Sisterhood of the Park Avenue Synagogue, headed by Mrs. Sol E. Green, made their annual visit to the Yonkers Home of the Guild for the Jewish Blind.

Refreshments and souvenirs were provided by the visitors for the hundred men and women residents who eagerly look forward each year to Sisterhood's visit. Syd Skolsky, accordionist, entertained the group with a selection of Jewish folk songs which proved highly popular. Belle Green gave a reading of humorous anecdotes, a highlight of the party.

The women who attended were impressed anew with the immaculate conditions of the Home and the pleasant demeanor of the residents. Those who attended, besides Mrs. Green, were Mrs. Fred Adams, Mrs. Paul Bercu, Mrs. Anna Edelman, Mrs. Samuel Gellert, Mrs. Harry Grunther, Mrs. Milton Heller, Mrs. William Karmiol, Mrs Mitchell Leventhal, Mrs Harry J. Sokolow and Mrs Marvin Spiegel.

Putterman Tributes

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you thought continuously of the calling as a whole and how you could raise the standards of the hazzan. Your work in this broad field is being appreciated each day more and more; and I am sure the ultimate record will show that you have been a pioneer and a leader and that you have truly worked with a spirit of consecration."

A. W. BINDER, Director, Department of Music, 92nd Street YM&YWHA, New York:

"You have made a definite contribution to the American Cantorate, always to raise the standards of the cantorial profession in this country. For this service you deserve the tribute which is being planned for you."

DR. ISRAEL GOLDSTEIN, Congregation B'nai Jeshurun, New York.

"I have known Cantor Putterman through all of these years and share in the wide admiration for his gifts as Hazzan and for his dedication to raising the standards of Hazzanuth in America. I know how much he has meant to the Park Avenue Synagogue not only in the pulpit but in his personal ministry to his Congregants."

RABBI ISRAEL H. LEVINTHAL, Brooklyn Jewish Center, New York:

"You have greatly enriched the field of Jewish liturgical music and you have raised the standards of Hazzanism in this country to a high degree."

RABBI ARTHUR LELYVELD, Executive Vice-President, American Israeli Cultural Foundation:

"May there be only happiness for you and your dear ones for many many years to come."

HAZZAN SAMUEL ROSENBAUM, President, Cantors Assembly of America, Rochester:

"We of the Cantors Assembly owe Hazzan Putterman a debt which it will be difficult to assess.

David Putterman follows one of the loftiest callings that man can have on earth; to lead his fellowman in prayer and to direct him in the search for eternal truths.

In honoring your hazzan, you are glorifying the whole concept of a life devoted to the service of the Jewish community."

REMINDER
Men's Club
Annual Dinner-Meeting
Tuesday Evening, May 27

Parents Ass'n Lectures End, Wednesday, May 21

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

The last in the series of lectures on "What Shall I Tell My Child,,' given by Rabbi Judah Nadich, under the sponsorship of the Parents Association, will be held Wednesday afternoon, May 21, at 1:15 o'clock, in the Lemberg Auditorium.

Rabbi Nadich will discuss "What Shall I Tell My Child About Anti-Semitism and Why People Hate?" This topic should be of great interest to all parents and give them a better understanding of the motivations for the bigotry and intolerance that is manifest in so many people today.

We hope parents will avail themselves of the opportunity to hear Rabbi Nadich explain this all-important, timely subject. The lecture will begin promptly at 1:15 P.M. and will end before 3 o'clock.

Metropolitan Council Education Board to Meet

Several hundred lay and professional leaders of Conservative congregational schools will attend the Tenth Annual Laymen's Conference of the Board of Education of the Metropolitan Council of the United Synagogue of America, which will take place at 6:00 P.M. on Wednesday, May 7, at the Society for the Advancement of Judaism, 15 West 86th Street, New York City.

The delegates who have been designated to attend this conference on behalf of the Park Avenue Synagogue, include Archie I. Thurman, Chairman of the Ritual Committee; Mrs Sigmund A. Siegel, Chairman of the School Board; Mrs. Herman Helpern, Chairman of the Youth Activities Committee; Mrs Howard Kieval; Mrs. Ezra Cohen; Martin Leichtling, Principal of the Religious School and Hyman Sankel, Director of the Youth Activities Division.

Jack Tessler, Chairman of the Conference and School Chairman of the Kew Gardens Hills Jewish Center, announced that the theme of the Conference will be "What Can the Congregational School Do For Our Adolescent Youth."

This theme will be dealt with in a series of workshop sessions on: "How to Help Your School Achieve Accreditation Status"; "Parent Education for Educational Continuity"; "Creating a Sound School Budget"; "United Synagogue Educational Opportunities for the Adolescent Youth."

Congregational Meeting

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of the Board of Trustees, will be presented for election. In addition to Mr. Sack, the Nominating Committe included two other former chairmen of the Board of Trustees, Ezra Cohen and Hon. Sanford H. Cohen, and two members of the congregation, Mrs. Isaac Liberman and Mr. Alex E. Arnstein.

The list as submitted was unanimously approved by the Board and will be voted on at the annual meeting, which will be the first to be held during the month of May under the new constitution and by-laws. The following were nominated:

Chairman of the Board of Trustees
Joseph Howard Katz
Vice-Chairman of the Board of Trustees
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Dr. Milton Helpern
Saul Horowitz
Morris Joffe
Saul Lemberg
Dr. Harold A. Osserman
Benjamin Sack
Harold R. Starkman
Mrs. Solomon E. Green
Sisterhood representative, 1 year

Rabbi Nadich Addresses Two Conventions

Rabbi Judah Nadich was the keynote speaker at the conventions of the Southeast Region of the United Synagogue of America and of the National Women's League. Delegates attended from the Conservative congregations and Sisterhoods of Florida, Georgia, Alabama, Tennessee and South Carolina.

In addition to the banquet address, Rabbi Nadich delivered lectures at two Torah sessions and conducted a seminar. The two conventions were held simultaneously at St. Petersburg, Florida.

Sisterhood UJA Bazaar Tremendous Success

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

"No endeavor is in vain;
Its reward is in the doing."

So said Longfellow many years ago, and so say we today, as we happily report the success of the Bazaar-Auction held by Sisterhood of the Park Avenue Synagogue in behalf of the Rescue Fund of the United Jewish Appeal.

On Tuesday, April 29, the Lemberg Auditorium was completely transformed with gaily decorated booths—the creative work of our talented Regina Stangel—into a scene of great activity. The Bazaar brought many who came to "get a bargain", to join their friends for a delicious luncheon, and in the late afternoon, to drink, eat and be merry, and particularly to contribute to this life saving project. In the evening, Cafe UJA attracted a great number of people who came with their families to have dinner, and later to try their skill at various games, and to bid for some special objects d'art at the auction, so expertly conducted by Mr. Harold H. Levin.

Chairman of the Bazaar, Mrs. Irwin H. Rome, and her co-chairmen, Mrs. Herman Helpern and Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer, are to be congratulated for a job well done. Orchids go to Mrs. Aaron Schoenbaum and Mrs. Ted Meistrich and their hard-working committe for their fruitful efforts in securing so much merchandise without which there could have been no bazaar. "Pick-ups"—and we refer of course to calling for the gifts so kindly donated by many friends eager to help UJA—were supervised by Mrs. Harold A. Osserman and her group, who chauffered all around town to gather the many items.

The well stocked booths were in charge of Mrs. Mack Fieber. Mrs. A. Stangel was responsible for the original decorations that brought so many compliments. To Mrs Jacob Starr and her tireless committee go our thanks for that wonderful lunch and dinner served so efficiently to so many diners.

The notices and articles which induced so many to attend the Bazaar proved the literary talent of Mrs. Arthur Morse, chairman of publicity. And most important, our gratitude to the keepers of the shekels, our capable treasurers, Mrs. Samuel Gellert and Mrs. Mortimer Millheiser.

We also wish to express our appreciation to the host of well-wishers who contributed so generously of their merchandise and of their money to help make our annual Sisterhood Bazaar an outstanding event in our program of activities.

Executive Director Speaks At Synagogue Conference

Sidney R. Katz, Executive Director of the Park Avenue Synagogue, was the guest speaker at the Annual Conference of the United Synagogue of America — Northern New Jersey Region. Approximately sixty congregations in the New Jersey region were represented at the conference, which took place in Millburn. New Jersey, Congregation B'nai Israel, on Sunday afternoon, April 27.

Mr. Katz addressed one of the five workshop sessions as the guest speaker on the subject of "Synagogue Administration". Other speakers included Dr. Simon Greenberg who delivered the main address, and Dr. Abraham J. Heschel, who addressed the concluding banquet session. Both speakers represented the Jewish Theological Seminary of America.

Dr. Abraham E. Millgram, Director of the Department of Education of the United Synagogue of America, and Dr. Morton Siegel, Director of Youth Activities of the United Synagogue of America also addressed the conference.

Cantors Conference Held At Concord Hotel

The 11th annual conference of the Cantors Assembly of America (of which Hazzan David J. Putterman is the executive vice-president) and the Department of Music of the United Synagogue of America (of which Hazzan Putterman is the director) was held at the Concord Hotel, Kiamesha, New York, from Monday, April 21 through Thursday April 24.

The convention was devoted to the theme of "No End To Learning." More than 500 hazzanim, rabbis, and synagogue lay leaders from all over the United States and Canada attended what proved to be a most inspiring, fruitful and enjoyable convention.

At the closing banquet held Wednesday evening, April 23, a telegram was received from Mrs. Solomon E. Green, President of the Sisterhood of the Park Avenue Synagogue, saluting the entire assemblage and paying special tribute to Hazzan David J. Putterman on his twenty-fifth anniversary with the Park Avenue Synagogue and his devoted and dedicated service to the entire cantorate.

Books At A Glance

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work by Alpheus Thomas Mason on one of America's truly great Supreme Court Judges, *Brandeis, A Free Man's Life.*

These are only a few examples of our Library's comprehensive biographical section. Interested readers are invited to come in and brouse.

Youth Groups Help UJA

By HY SANKEL

The teen age clubs once again surpassed the previous year's total for their annual contribution to the United Jewish Appeal. This year they raised $410 which Mrs. Herman Helpern, chairman of the Youth Activities Committee, was happy to present to Mrs Benjamin Sack, Chairman of the UJA Women's Division of the Synagogue.

In thanking the young people, Mrs Sack said, "This annual letter is one of my greatest joys in the entire UJA campaign . . . Those of us who are dedicated to the cause of UJA can take pride and hope in the knowledge that *our* young people can be counted on for future leadership in this great humanitarian cause."

Youth Groups Aid Israel

Our teen agers have decided to assist the United Synagogue of America in its project to develop closer relationships between the American youth and the youth of Israel.

Plans are being made to build living accomodations in Israel that may be used by Americans who visit there and shared by Israelis. It is called a 2-0-9 project. Two dollars is to be donated to the project and 9c for administrative expenses.

In order to raise this sum, the youth groups are planning a dance on Saturday evening, May 10. They have invited the Westchester youth groups which are also affiliated with the United Synagogue. The dance is also being utilized to help build a Manhattan, Bronx, Westchester Council so that closer relationships among the groups may be developed.

Mr. and Mrs. Club Plans Annual Dinner

By MRS. JEROME S. MITTELMAN

Dr. Leon Pordy, President of the Mr. and Mrs. Club, announced that the June meeting of the Club will feature its Annual Dinner.

Plans are being made to hold the affair at the El Chico Spanish Restaurant for all members of the Club. Details will follow in the next issue of the Bulletin.

School News

By MARTIN LEICHTLING

Israel — After Ten Years

The recent observance of the Tenth Anniversay of the State of Israel gave the students of the Religious School an opportunity to complete a study of Israel. During the three weeks prior to the anniversary date, April 24, all the classes in the Primary Department and in the Hebrew Department based their history study on a "Unit on Israel" which was prepared for our school. Our children became aware of some of the major events and personalities in the struggle for nationhood; learned some new songs; worked in arts and crafts on related themes; and, discussed the significance of the event to the American Jew and to World Jewry.

As a culmination of our celebration, each of the classes held a birthday party — in a number of classes parents baked birthday cakes — and the entire school observed the anniversary at the Junior Congregation services and at a special assembly for the classes in the Primary Department.

Keren Ami Council

On Sunday, May 11, the students in our school will attend a special assembly to present a gift to the children of a school in Israel. Each year delegates representing four mid-Manhattan schools, Ansche Chesed, B'nai Jeshurun, Society for the Advancement of Judaism and the Park Avenue Synagogue, hold a series of meetings devoted to the allocation of some of their Keren Ami funds for a special gift from the children of our schools to the children of an Israeli school. In recent years, athletic equipment and an electro-cardiograph machine for a children's hospital were donated.

Jonathan Stowe and Stanley Kurzweil, delegates to the Keren Ami Council, were active in the selection of the gift—a filmstrip projector and a series of film strips —and in the planning of the presentation assembly to be held at Ansche Chesed. Stanley was elected to act as chairman of the assembly and to make the presentation of the gift to an Israeli child.

Bar Mitzvah Class

Rabbi Nadich will meet with the students in the Bar Mitzvah class who are scheduled to be Bar Mitzvah or Bat Mitzvah from September 1958 to January 1, 1959. The meetings will be held in room 501 of the Milton Steinberg House on Wednesday May 7 and May 14, between 5:10 and 6:10 P.M.

State of Israel To Show At U.S. World Trade Fair

Israel will again be represented at the United States World Trade Fair, which will be held at the New York Coliseum from May 7 to May 17.

The beautiful pavilion which will feature Israel's cultural and industrial accomplishments will cover 3,200 square feet on the mezzanine floor of the Coliseum. The ten years of economic progress together with the dramatic panorama of Israel's thistorical and cultural background will be depicted through a series of mosaics, sculptures, life-size photo graphs and an array of Israel's manufactured products.

This exhibit will be part of the celebration of the Tenth Anniversary of the State of Israel and also will include two forthcoming television programs of great interest and educational value.

On Sunday, May 10, on NBC-TV from 11:30 A.M. to noon there will be a panel discussion of Middle East Oil titled "Briefing Session."

On Sunday, May 18, on NBC-TV from 4:00 to 5:30 P. M. Chet Huntley will give a special report on "Israel: The Next Ten Years."

In preparation for the sessions with Rabbi Nadich, the students have read the book "A Guide to Jewish Youth." The class will discuss the history of the Bar Mitzvah ceremony and its meaning to the Jewish boy and girl today.

News Of Our Men In The Armed Forces

Our best wishes are expressed to the following young men of our congregation who are now serving with the Armed Forces:

P.F.C. Edward Gerber and Ensign Samuel Spilo.

If any of the families in the Park Avenue Synagogue have sons or daughters currently serving in the Armed Forces it would be appreciated if they would submit such names to either the synagogue office, attention of Rabbi Nadich, or to the Chairman of the Armed Forces Committee of the Men's Club, Mr. N. B. Gerber, 120 Wall Street, New York 5.

SHAVUOTH HOLIDAYS
Sunday, May 25
Monday, May 26
Confirmation service, Sunday
Yiskor (Memorial) Service, Monday

Register Your Child In Our Religious School

The question is asked, "Why should my child go to religous school?"

The answer is quite simple. By attending a modern Jewish school, together with other children of his own age, your child will gain a rich and joyful experience as a Jew.

He will learn the great heritage of his people, the traditions and culture of Jews through the ages, the Jewish ethics and ideals whch have contributed to the development of the American democratic spirit. He will grow up with a deep love and understanding of the privilege of being Jewish and much better equipped to meet the outside world.

Through our Religious School, your child will find identification with you, your family, the synagogue the Jewish community in the United States and with Jewish people throughout the world.

We have a PRIMARY DEPARTMENT for children between the ages of 6 to 9. The school, which meets on Sunday morning, aims to familiarize the child with Judaism, its history and its cultural expressions. Bible stories, customs and festivals are taught through games, songs and plays. The school develops within the child a sense of loyalty and pride in Judaism.

Our HEBREW DEPARTMENT is for children between the ages of 9 to 15. The school, which meets two afternoons and on Saturday mornings, aims to prepare the child for an active and constructive participation in Jewish life. Instruction in Hebrew, Bible, history, customs, ceremonies and religious worship through the Junior Congregation develop in the child an understanding of religious concepts, the ethical values and the ritual forms of Judaism.

Then there is the HIGH SCHOOL EXTENSION for students who are on the high school level. This class meets on Sunday morning.

Our school office is open daily from 3:00 P.M. to 6:30 P.M. for enrollment of new students in the Religious School. Mr. Martin Leichtling our school principal, will be happy to see you.

Registration is open to children of non-members of the congregation as well as those of our members.

Sisterhood News

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

Our annual evening meeting held on Tuesday, April 22, attracted many of our members and their husbands. Dr. Evlyn Garfiel, the guest speaker, delivered a most interesting talk on the Jewish viewpoint of "Marriage and the Family." She was presented by Mrs. Judah Nadich.

Mrs. Sol E. Green, president of Sisterhood, who presided over the business session in her customary efficient manner, reported on the many activities of Sisterhood. In referring to the Bazaar-Auction to be held at the Synagogue on April 29. for the benefit of UJA, she did so in original poetry, which provoked great applause.

The meaning and purpose of the Torah Fund was discussed by Mrs. Jack Kurzweil, chairman of that committee. She urged all to attend the Torah Fund Chi Luncheon.

In behalf of Camp Ramah conducted by the Jewish Theological Seminary. John Stangel, son of our devoted members, Mr. and Mrs. A. Stangel, spoke dynamically of the summers he had spent at the Camp and of his many interesting experiences. He held the audience spellbound as he related the benefits which he and his friends had derived from the services conducted entirely in Hebrew. In Johnny, we see a future leader in the Park Avenue Synagogue.

The new slate of officers and members of the Eexecutive Board for Sisterhood for the coming year was presented by Mrs. Harry J Sokolow, chairman of the Nominating Committee. The following officers were unanimously elected and will be installed at the May 20 birthday party luncheon-meeting:

President	Mrs. Sol E. Green
Vice President	Mrs. Herman Helpern
Vice President	Mrs. Arthur Morse
Vice President	Mrs. Irwin Rome
Vice President	Mrs. Jacob Starr
Treasurer	Mrs. Samuel Gellert
Recording Secretary	Mrs. Mack Fieber
Corresponding Secretary	Mrs. Abel Phillips
Financial Secretary	Mrs. M. Millheiser
Chaplain	Mrs William Karmiol

Condolences

Dr. John M. Astrachan—death of his mother, Mrs. Marie H. Astrachan
John H. and Ernest Einiger—death of mother, Mrs. Sarah Einiger

Schedule of Religious Services

Friday Evening, May 9 . . . . . 8:30 P.M.

"ISRAEL'S FREEDOM — TEN YEARS LATER"
A Lag Beomer Sermon
Dedication of the Appleman Chapel
Oneg Shabbat

Saturday Morning, May 10 . . . . . 9:30 A.M.

Bar Mitzvah of Robert Stricker
son of Mr. and Mrs. William Stricker

Friday Evening, May 16 . . . . . 8:30 P.M.

The Fourteenth Annual Service of New Liturgical Music
World Premiere Performance of a
New Sabbath Eve Service Composed by
Herman Berlinski
Reception Following the Service
in the Lemberg Auditorium

Saturday Morning, May 17 . . . . . 9:30 A.M.

Bar Mitzvah of Jerald Politzer,
son of Mr. and Mrs. Gabriel Politzer

Rabbi Judah Nadich will speak Friday evenings and preach on the Scriptural Portion each Saturday morning.
The Services will be conducted by Rabbi Nadich and Hazzan David J. Putterman, assisted by the Synagogue Choir with Mr. George Crook at the organ.

Chapel Dedicated

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installed in the Chapel, although they were expressly made for our Chapel. Museums have also exhibited the candelabrum.

A member of the Board of Trustees of the Park Avenue Synagogue for many years, Mr. Nathan Appleman also serves as a member of the Board of the Montefiore Hospital and the Jewish Agricultural Society.

Mr. Appleman has a wide range of Jewish communal and philanthropic interests, and the recipients of his generous bounty are manifold. He serves on the Executive Board of the American Jewish Committee, and is also chairman of the Joint Defense Appeal, Division of Foundation and Corporate Gifts, through which the American Jewish Committe and B'nai Brith receive much of their financial support. His welfare activities include service on the Board of the Grand Street Settlement and also as a Director of the Baron de Hirsch Fund. He also served as associate chairman of the fund-raising campaigns of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies.

There will be a reception and Oneg Shabbat in the Lemberg Auditorium following the service.

Congratulations

Rabbi Judah Nadich—on his birthday—May 13

Hon. Sanford H. Cohen—on his 70th birthday—May 17

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Dobrin—birth of daughter, Adrienne Fay

Harry A. Rubinsky—on his 85th birthday

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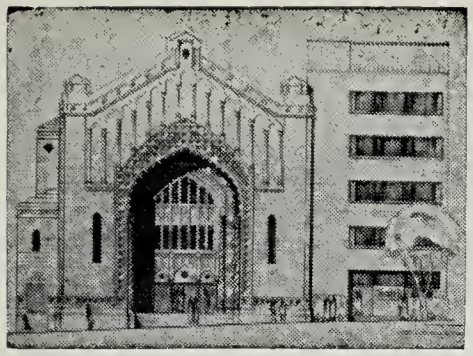

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Joseph Howard Katz Re-Elected Chairman of Board of Trustees, Dr. Seymour Wimpfheimer, Vice-Chairman and Jacob Klein, President

The annual congregational meeting of the Park Avenue Synagogue, the first to be held under the new constitution and by-laws adopted by the congregation over a year ago, was held Sunday evening, May 18, in the Lemberg Auditorium.

Joseph Howard Katz, who succeeded to the chairmanship of the Board of Trustees at the annual meeting held in January 1957, was re-elected chairman, and Dr. Seymour Wimpfheimer, vice-chairman. Jacob Klein, now serving his seventh consecutive term as president of the congregation, was also re-elected president for another term.

The slate of the Nominating Committee, which included Benjamin Sack, as chairman, Judge Sanford H. Cohen, and Ezra Cohen, former chairmen of the Board, and Mrs. Isaac Liberman and Alex E. Arnstein, had been unanimously approved by the Board at its April meeting. It also included the following officers, all of whom were re-elected: Saul Godwin, 1st vice-president, Solomon E. Green, 2nd vice-president, Nelson Ruttenberg, Treasurer, Milton M. Sivek, Associate Treasurer, and Emanuel Rosenthal, Secretary.

Also included in the report of the Nominating Committee was the recommendation that the following trustees be re-elected for a term of three years: Isidore M. Cohen, Hon. Abraham N. Geller, Saul Godwin, Dr. Milton Helpern, Saul Horowitz, Morris Joffe, Samuel Lemberg, Dr. Harold A. Osserman, Benjamin Sack, Harold R. Starkman, and Mrs. Sol E. Green, Sisterhood representative, for a term of 1 year. Rabbi Judah Nadich was the installing officer.

A catered dinner preceded the business which was attended by many of our members, who enjoyed the opportunity to meet with their fellow congregants on an informal social basis and to become better acquainted with the new members who had joined our ranks in recent years. Mrs. Arthur Morse, chairman of the Dinner Committee, and the able members of her committee made the

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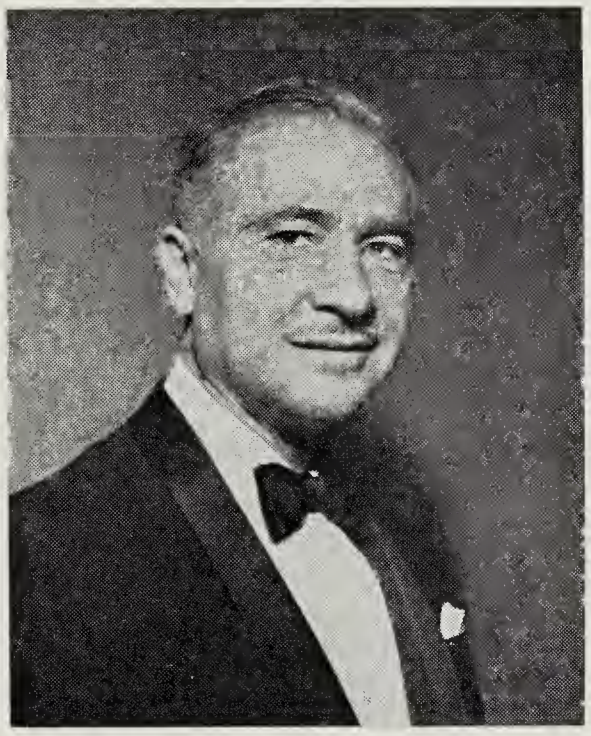

JOSEPH HOWARD KATZ

Chairman of Board

Special Memorial Prayer For Unknown Soldiers

On Memorial Day, Friday, May 30, at Arlington National Cemetery, the bodies of two unknown American soldiers will be laid to eternal rest in the nation's consecrated place of honor. One fell in World War II, the other gave his life in Korea. They will be buried alongside the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier of World War I with the President of the United States in attendance.

Our own traditional *Yizkor* memorial prayers will be recited only a few days earlier, on the second morning of Shavuot, May 26. Rabbi Nadich will include in the *Yizkor* service a special prayer for the Unknown Soldiers and for all who have given their lives for our country.

MEMORIAL (YIZKOR) SERVICES
to be held on 2nd day of Shavuot
Monday morning, May 26
Those wishing to memoralize any member of their family, please return the enclosed card to the Synagogue office, by Friday, May 23.

Religious School Confirmation Exercises and Shavuot Services, Sunday, May 25, At 9:30 A.M.

The Confirmation - Graduation Exercises of the Religious School will be held as part of the religious services on the first day of Shavuot, Sunday, May 25, which will start at 9:30 A.M.

The following students, who have completed the requirements for confirmation, will be awarded certificates: Leslie Cornell, Stephen Dell, Tomi Deutsch, Joel Grantz, Jane Jacob, Elisa Kaufman, Jeffrey Mehlman, Karen Schapiro, Mark Siegel, Renee Stern, and Daniel Ritey. In addition, five of the confirmands—Tomi Deutsch, Joel Grantz, Jeffrey Mehlman, Renee Stern and Daniel Ritey—are graduating from our five-year Hebrew Department and will be granted diplomas.

Each of the graduates has been elected to membership in the Keter Torah, an all-city honor society. This organization, sponsored by the Board of Education of the Metropolitan Council of United Synagogue, consists of honor graduates from the New York City religious school who have received three annual achievement awards prior to graduation.

The members of the Confirmation Class will actively participate in the Sha-

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Reflections on a Party

The Park Avenue Synagogue has been the scene of many notable functions but none has surpassed that of Sunday evening, May 4.

That was the occasion of the celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of Hazzan David J. Putterman's service as Cantor of the Park Avenue Synagogue. An overflowing gathering, which not only filled the main synagogue but also occupied a good portion of the balcony, came to attend our special evening service to honor a man who symbolized our synagogue more than any other living person.

The large audience included many friends and associates of David in the Cantorate as well as leading figures in the rabbinical world, all of whom came to pay a well deserved tribute to one who had served our synagogue with a selfless loyalty and devotion for a quarter of a century.

Hazzan Putterman joined our pulpit as Cantor in 1933, at about the same time that our late beloved Rabbi Milton Steinberg became our spiritual leader. Since then Rabbi Steinberg, of blessed memory, has been called from our midst. Jacob Friedman, or as he was known to so many of us, Uncle Jacob, who served as our president for over thirty years and was instrumental in bringing David Putterman and Milton Steinberg to minister to our congregation, has also passed away. But they and those who worked with them, left us a stronger institution which has continued to grow through the "golden era" of their ministration.

It was fitting and proper that this service of tribute to Hazzan Putterman was in the form of a religious service, for David's whole life has been wrapped up in synagogue worship and in liturgical music. His contribution in the latter field has won acclaim throughout the country for his efforts in bringing to public attention, through the medium of our annual liturgical service, new music for the Sabbath eve service written by contemporary composers. Some of these compositions have already found their place in the regular Sabbath eve services of many congregations.

The appearance of the members of the Choral Ensemble of the Cantors Institute was their way of expressing deep affection for their "Founder". Under the baton of Dr. Hugo Weisgal, the Ensemble presented several selections which left an emotional impact on the audience by reason of the beautiful quality of their voices and the depth of their Jewish musical content. As we gazed upon the faces of this group, we had a feeling of pride that American Judaism has such fine young men preparing to fill the Cantorate in our synagogues in the years ahead.

Following the conclusion of the service, words of appreciation were expressed by representatives of the various arms of the synagogue. For the Bar Mitzvah boys and girls, Robert Stricker, who was Bar Mitzvah the following Shabbath, spoke of the splendid work Hazzan Putterman was doing to prepare these boys and girls for "their day." Miss Doris Wimpfheimer, who was Bas Mitzvah and confirmed at our synagogue, expressed her tribute on behalf of the teen-age groups. The Mr. and Mrs. Club was represented by its president, Dr. Leon Pordy. Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer spoke for the Parents Association and Dr. Sigmund A. Siegel, president of the Men's Club, expressed appreciation for Hazzan Putterman's valued service. Sisterhood, the oldest arm of our synagogue, was ably represented by Mrs. Sol E. Green, its president. For the synagogue, Jacob Klein, now serving his seventh term as president, welcomed those who had come to honor Hazzan Putterman, and Joseph Howard Katz, chairman of our Board of Trustees, eloquently expressed the love and affection that was in the hearts of our entire congregation for our loyal and devoted Cantor. In recognition of David's long service, Mr. Katz announced that the Board of Trustees had appointed Hazzan Putterman as Cantor of the Park Avenue Synagogue for a life tenure. In a touching and moving address, Rabbi Nadich, our spiritual leader, referred to David's great and lasting contribution not only to the Park Avenue Synagogue but also to the wider field of Jewish music.

The reception held in the Lemberg Auditorium at the conclusion of the service was a most festive occasion. Hundreds of David's friends stood on line for an opportunity to say a personal word of greeting to our guest of honor. The conviviality and good fellowship that was noticeable reflected the spirit of friendship that prevailed in our synagogue. Thanks to Mrs. Arthur Morse and the members of her committee for the excellent planning and preparation that contributed so much to the success of this celebration.

Yes, this was an unusual occasion and one that will be long remembered. Yet, all the accolades expressed could but in a small way measure the deep love and affection all of us have for Hazzan Putterman.

Nelson Ruttenberg, *Editor*

With Rabbi Nadich In The Community

In recent weeks Rabbi Nadich has presided at the annual dinner of the *HADOAR*, the American Hebrew Weekly magazine, participated in the program of the annual dinner of the Amateur Athletic Union, addressed the Deborah organization and served as chairman of the law session at the annual convention of the Rabbinical Assembly of America.

SUMMER SERVICES

Our late Friday evening services ended with the night of new liturgical music. Beginning with the Friday evening service, May 23, we will start our early Friday evening services, at 6:00 P. M.

The Saturday morning services will continue as usual at 9:30 A.M. These early Friday evening services and the Saturday morning services will be held in the main synagogue with Rabbi Nadich and Hazzan David Putterman officiating, together with the Synagogue Choir and Mr. George Crook at the piano.

During the months of July and August, the early Friday evening services and the Saturday morning services will be held in the air-conditioned Appleman Chapel.

Congregational Meeting

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DR. SEYMOUR WIMPFHEIMER
Vice-Chairman of Board

excellent arrangements for this function. Hazzan Putterman sang the national anthem and Hatikvah and said grace after the meal.

Jacob Klein, who was re-elected to serve as president for the eighth consecutive term, called the meeting to order. Before turning over the gavel to Joseph Howard Katz, chairman of the Board. Mr. Klein delivered his annual message as president which is printed in full in the Bulletin.

Joseph Howard Katz, who will continue to serve as chairman of the Board for another term, submitted a comprehensive report of the synagogue activities since he assumed office in January 1957, which will be published in a future issue of the Bulletin so that those who could not attend our annual meeting may learn of the many accomplishments of the past administration.

In looking forward to the future of our synagogue, Mr. Katz said:

"As we look back upon the past year, we see not only the achievements attained but also our unattained goals and unrealized dreams. We hope to use the challenge of this coming year with faith and courage for greater fulfillment of our ideals in a finer and greater synagogue. We aim for greater unity so that whatever point of synagogue life we meet, we may find a true fellowship of warm understanding and harmony."

With the full cooperation of all the members of our synagogue family, the sights we have set for the future can easily be accomplished. Let us dedicate ourselves to continue to work together and to strive for the growth of our synagogue in prestige, in membership, and in greater achievements.

Annual Message of Jacob Klein, President

In my last message to the Membership Body, I closed with this quotation:

> *Osay sholom bimromov, who yaase sholem oleynu, v'al kol Yisroel.*
> *May he who created harmony in the Heights, create harmony among us and among the entire House of Israel.*

I am not egotistical enough to claim that the Almighty heard and answered my prayer, but I am happy in the thought that harmony does prevail in our midst, even though the entire body of Israel is not exactly at peace with the world. It is indeed a source of great satisfaction, as it must be to all of you, to realize how happy we all are here at the present time.

JACOB KLEIN
President of Congregation

Primarily, I would say that a great deal of this pleasant relationship is due to our spiritual leader, Rabbi Judah Nadich, who seems to have integrated himself into the hearts and minds of our congregation, in a sweet, gracious, courteous and affable manner, giving practically to each one of us a feeling of oneness with each member of the Park Avenue Synagogue, and making us all feel that we now have a worthy successor to our beloved Milton Steinberg.

I am a regular attendant at all services, not only in the synagogue, but at other places, and have personally found Rabbi Nadich a most agreeable, intellectual and spiritually uplifting gentleman of sterling character, honesty and integrity. God bless our Rabbi, his charming helpmate, Hadassah, and their family.

Another who has shared with Rabbi Nadich this fine relationship with his congregants is Hazzan David J. Putterman. During all the years I have been in pretty close contact with him, I have found him to be a gentleman who has served this congregation ably, and who has been a devoted and self-sacrificing Cantor whom everyone loves and admires. His singing thrills his listeners. Certainly, the testimonial given to him by the congregation two weeks ago, on the occasion of his twenty-fifth anniversary as our Cantor, attests to his popularity among all the members of the congregation.

A third person who has contributed to the harmony that presently exists in our midst is our Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Joseph Howard Katz. His has not been a pleasant task, but he certainly has devotedly and in an intelligent, even if at times aggressive manner contributed to making the Park Avenue Synagogue what Dr. Louis Finkelstein, Chancellor of the Jewish Theological Seminary, termed it, the Cathedral Synagogue of the conservative movement. In all this, he was ably assisted by Dr. Seymour Wimpfheimer, the Vice Chairman of the Board.

Although everyone is entitled to honorable mention and I mean it when I say everyone, I don't think it would be fair not to mention our Vice President, Sol Green, familiarly and lovingly referred to as Sol. He has been a rock of Gibraltar working with me, and a great deal of credit is due him for the unselfish service he has always rendered and has been willing to render, particularly during the summer months when all of us are at summer resorts enjoying ourselves.

And now a word about our Executive Director, Sidney R. Katz, whom we all know as Sidney. I am almost daily at the Synagogue and I speak, not from what has been told to me, but from what

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President's Message

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I am able to observe. I don't think there has been or is a more conscientious, honest, honorable and indefatigable worker than Sidney—as I said, I can see him daily and with him there is never a dull moment. I have heard many a telephone conversation at the most trying times where his tact, diplomacy and sweetness have softened many a person who started off with fire in his eyes and murder in his heart, calm down, to a peaceful person.

We are indeed happy to have Sidney in charge as our Executive Director, and I want to personally thank him for the unselfish service he has at all times rendered.

If I have singled out these four individuals it is because I have been in almost daily contact with each, but I feel I would be doing our Board of Trustees an injustice if I did not mention them in this same category, men of big affairs, who give of their time and substance at great sacrifice, to make the Park Avenue Synagogue function as an important cog in the wheels that helps to make Judaism a functioning organism in the entire Jewish community.

I must not leave out the Sisterhood, whose able leader Belle Green, has been at the helm of the ladies division this past year and who has done so much to help her organization to be in the forefront of Park Avenue Synagogue life. Belle has stayed up many a night until the wee hours of the morning working for the Park Avenue Synagogue and she prepares and delivers a most intellectual and moving report and address. I salute her.

It would be most unfair for me not to mention each of the ladies who have assisted not only Belle, but the entire Sisterhood organization. Freda Sack, an unusual and tireless worker for UJA and the Bazaar, Dorothy Sokolow, Doris Rome, Muriel Morse, Anne Starr, Regina Stangel and right down the line, all the ladies of the Sisterhood, who I hope will forgive me, for not mentioning their names.

Then there is the Men's Club with Dr. Sigmund Siegel, at the helm, the Mr. and Mrs. Club headed by Dr. Pordy, Vicki Wimpfheimer of the Parents Association, Phyllis Siegel of Religious School Board and Lillian Helpern of the Youth Activities Division, all of whom are entitled to the thanks and appreciation of the Park Avenue Synagogue for their unselfish devotion to thankless tasks. On behalf of the Park Avenue Synagogue, as well as in my own behalf, I give them our and my personal thanks. I sincerely hope that no lady or gentleman whom I haven't mentioned will feel that I have overlooked him or her. Each one of the ladies and gentlemen of the congregation and Sisterhood is entitled to unstinted praise for what he or she has done individually to have the wheels of progress move harmoniously at the Park Avenue Synagogue, so I beg of you all to be charitable and forgive me, because any omission of a name has been accidental. I love you all.

After hearing the beautiful way in which the Chairman has condensed all the wonderful reports of all the heads of the different arms of the synagogue, no one, even if his or her name was not mentioned, can question the sincerity of our feelings for each member.

What, however, I would like to say to those members, who are not so active is

"Are you an active member? The kind that would be missed, or
Are you just contented that your name is on the list?

And now I come to myself and I quote from the daily prayer I recite "What are we, what is our life, what is our kindliness, what is our righteousness, what is our strength, what is our vigor then... Are not all strong men as nothing before Thee, men of renown, as if they never had been, and wise men as if they never existed and men of understanding, as if without knowledge, for the multitude of their works is void, and the days of their lives vanity." As the Preacher says, "Vanity, of vanities, all is vanity."

So here is where I leave you—judge me from what you yourselves know and have observed during the years.

I close with the blessing we recited in the synagogue yesterday, when we concluded reading the book of Leviticus

Chazak, Chazak, venis Chazak
Be strong, be strong, Let us be strong together.

JACOB KLEIN

Men's Club Contributes To Scholarship Fund

We are grateful to the Men's Club of the Park Avenue Synagogue for its contribution to the Scholarship Fund of our Religious School.

This contribution was authorized by the Board of Directors of the Men's Club as part of its program of aiding youngsters in need.

Confirmation Exercises

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vuot Services. They will read from the Scriptures, present an explanation of their readings, lead the congregation in prayer, sing three solo selections and read papers dedicated to the "Tenth Anniversary of Israel."

Mrs. Sigmund Siegel, chairman of the School Board, will present the confirmands with their certificates and diplomas and, on behalf of Sisterhood, give to each of the girls a Bible and to each of the boys a book of his choice. The students will also receive a cash award for the purchase of Jewish books. This last award has been presented anonymously for many years to the Confirmation Class by a member of the congregation.

The Youth Leadership Award, an annual award sponsored by the Men's Club in cooperation with the National Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs, will be presented by the president, Dr. Sigmund Siegel. The award — a sterling silver medal and a certificate—will be given to the graduate who demonstrated "the greatest aptitude for leadership in Jewish life."

Rabbi Judah Nadich will deliver a message to the confirmands and pronounce the benediction.

Following the services, a reception in honor of the confirmands will be held in the Lemberg Auditorium. The reception, tendered by the Park Avenue Synagogue and the parents of the confirmands, has been planned by the class mothers of the Parents Association under the leadership of Mrs. Jack Kurzweil.

On Monday, May 26, the second day of Shavuot, the services will start at 9:30 A.M. and will include Yiskor (Memorial) services.

MARTIN LEICHTLING

Floral Decorations Gift of Bielefeld

The flowers which have been adorning our pulpit for the Friday evening and Saturday morning services have been contributed by David Bielefeld, the florist.

Mr. Joseph Howard Katz, chairman of the Board of Trustees, has expressed our thanks for Mr. Bielefeld's generosity. Mr. Bielefeld has been making similar contributions for many years.

Judge Irving R. Kaufman Discusses Science-Law

Hon. Irving R. Kaufman, a member of the Park Avenue Synagogue for many years, has achieved world-wide fame as a jurist and is recognized as one of the most outstanding younger members of the federal court.

Recently, Judge Kaufman, a Judge of the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, was invited by Fordham University School of Law to be its guest speaker at ceremonies commemorating the national observance of Law Day.

The theme selected by Judge Kaufman was "Science and the Law—The Inseparable Twins." In developing his subject, Judge Kaufman pointed out that the launching of the sputnik by the Soviet Union had suddenly alerted the American people to the dramatic realization that we were suddenly thrust into the space age. As a result, he said: "The progressively more complex social and economic system resulting from the colossal acceleration of technological development has required infinitely more complicated legal controls. Today, the law is the concern of the average man as it never was before. Every aspect of his life is in some way affected by a host of new legal regulations."

Although the rapid advance of science has created vast new problems for the law, yet as Judge Kaufman pointed out, "it promises to help solve some of its oldest", for we are now equipped "with infinitely more reliable means of discovering the truth than law has ever had in the past."

The complex problems, which the penetration of outer space has presented, places an additional responsibility upon lawyers. As Judge Kaufman said: "Problems of this sort have traditionally been the province of the lawyer in this country. He was the person to whom other people turned when they wanted to know how to get things done and he was the prime and courageous exponent of individual freedom. Whatever freedom our citizens have today was in a large measure created by lawyers."

In speaking of the future confronting the world with the advent of the new space age, Judge Kaufman observed, that "the space age may well require drastic reductions in national jurisdiction with control being placed in the hands of an international administrative agency."

The Park Avenue Synagogue is proud to number Judge Kaufman and his family among the list of its congregants and happy to take this opportunity to present his new approach to a perplexing problem that confronts our modern age.

Mrs. Arthur Morse Women's Day Chairman

Mrs. Arthur Morse has been designated chairman of the Women's Day Committee to coordinate plans for a special UJA Women's Day, to be held on Wednesday, May 14.

Informal luncheons and teas will be held in private homes for friends and supporters of UJA on that day throughout the metropolitan area, in an all-out effort to introduce people o the United Jewish Appeal and the urgent need for greater participation in the current Rescue Fund campaign.

Also included in the day's activities will be apartment house drives in some sections of the city, in addition to the informal luncheons and teas. Borough chairmen have been selected to assist Mrs. Morse in this gigantic undertaking.

We join in saluting Mrs. Morse upon this new honor and in wishing her success in this new undertaking.

Mrs. Moe Turman UJA Guest of Honor

Mrs. Moe Turman, widow of Moe Turman, the late beloved leader in the office furniture industry, will be the guest of honor on Thursday, May 15, in the Sky Garden Suite of the Hotel St. Moritz.

The testimonial dinner will be given by the UJA office furniture division for the benefit of the UJA's rescue and relief campaign. In announcing this dinner, Mr. Irving Kramer, general chairman of this industry division, pointed out that Mrs. Turman had not only aided her late husband in his benefactions but that she had also played a major role herself in philanthropic affairs.

Mrs. Turman and her late husband, were active in the Park Avenue Synagogue for many years and we are proud to share in the honor which has come to her for her generous support of so many worthy causes.

Federation Honors Mrs. Harry J. Sokolow

When the women's division of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies of New York was surveying the list of those to be named new members of its Executive Board, the over-all planning board for the entire metropolitan area, that of Mrs. Harry J. Sokolow presented no problem.

Dorothy Sokolow, known to us at the Park Avenue Synagogue for her dynamic personality and ceaseless energy, has been an active worker for Federation for many years. At the recent election of the women's division of Federation, Mrs. Sokolow was elected a member of its Executive Board in recognition of her years of loyal and devoted service to that organization.

Also designated with Mrs. Sokolow were, Mrs. Joseph F. Cullman 3rd, Mrs. Louis B. Froelich, Mrs. Samuel A. Gifford, Mrs. Melville J. Katz and Mrs. Samuel I. Rosenman. We are happy to take note of this new honor which has come to one of our ardent congregants. Our congratulations to you, Dorothy.

Seminary Cornerstone Laying Set For July 29

The Jewish Theological Seminary of America has announced that ceremonies for the laying of the cornerstone of the Seminary Center in Jerusalem will be held on Tuesday, July 29.

Plans are being made to have each congregation send at least one of its members to be designated as the official representative of such congregation and to have him bring a scroll containing a message from his congregation and a brief summary of its history to be deposited in the cornerstone of such building.

The representative of such congregation will receive an appropriately inscribed scroll commemorating the fact that such congregation was represented on this memorable occasion, which would demonstrate the deep attachment of the conservative movement to Eretz Yisrael and the determination of American Jews to help build spiritual bridges between us and our brethren in Israel.

If any member of the Park Avenue Synagogue plans to be in Jerusalem on July 29, please communicate with Rabbi Nadich so that arrangements can be made to have such person or persons designated as our official representative.

Sisterhood Annual Party

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

The lovliest party of the year—this was the unanimous opinion of the many members and guests who attended Sisterhood's annual birthday party on the afternoon of May 20.

After a delicious luncheon, Mrs. Sol E. Green, Sisterhood president, welcomed the guests and then presented her annual report of the various activities of Sisterhood during the past year. The major portion of the afternoon was devoted to the installation of the officers by Rabbi Judah Nadich.

In "Hamlet", Shakespeare queried: "What imports the nomination of this gentleman?" Rabbi Nadich answered this question very charmingly in reference to Sisterhood's officers as he pictured the unusual talents and abilities of each person who had been elected for the coming year.

Hazzan David J. Putterman added a note of gaiety with his timely remarks.

The original decorations, so appropriate for a birthday party, once again proved the creative genius of Regina Stangel, whose tireless efforts transformed the Lemberg Auditorium into a scene of a gay, birthday celebration.

The following officers will direct the activities of Sisterhood next year:

Mrs. Sol E. Green..... President
Mrs. Herman Helpern... Vice-President
Mrs. Arthur Morse..... Vice-President
Mrs. Irwin Rome..... Vice-President
Mrs. Jacob Starr..... Vice-President
Mrs. Samuel Gellert.... Treasurer
Mrs. Mac Fieber..... Corr. Secretary
Mrs. M. Millheiser..... Fin. Secretary
Mrs. Abel Phillips..... Rec. Secretary
Mrs. William Karmiol.. Chaplain

To all the officers and the members of the Executive Board of Sisterhood, we extend our congratulations and our dearest hopes for a year of activity which will make Sisterhood even more glorious than before.

Ceremonial Gift Shop

A reminder that the Ceremonial Gift Shop, conducted by Mrs Milton Heller for Sisterhood, has a wonderful collection of charming gifts for June brides, graduates, confirmands, as well as the perfect "little something" for your hostess.

If you are interested, just phone Irma (AT 9-5500) and she will be delighted to help you make your selection from the many attractive gifts she has for your inspection, many of which have recently been received from Israel.

Att'y General Lefkowitz Men's Club Guest Speaker

By HARVEY GLASSER

Men's Club will hold its 10th Annual Dinner and Election Meeting on Tuesday night May 27, at 6:00 P. M., in the Lemberg Auditorium. We are privileged to announce that the Hon. Louis J. Lefkowitz, Attorney General of the State of New York, will be our guest speaker.

The nominating committe, under the chairmanship of Charles Bennet, has named the following slate of candidates for office for the year 1958-59:

President ..... Dr. Sigmund A Siegel
Ist Vice President. Harry Dubin
2nd Vice President. Nelson Ruttenberg
Treasurer ..... Julian Jacobs
Corresponding
Secretary ..... Harvey Glasser
Recording
Secretary ..... Jacob W. Boorstein

Directors for a 3 year term expiring 1961:

Charles Bennet Irving Friedman
Chester Glaser Hon. Maxwell Shapiro

Rabbi Judah Nadich will officially induct the new officers and directors into their respective offices. Benjamin Sack will deliver the invocation and Nat B. Gerber will serve as master of ceremonies for the evening's program, which all gets under way at 6 P.M. Dinner will be served at 7:00 P.M.

At the May 6 meeting of the Board of Directors, it was decided to inaugurate an Annual Service Award to be given to a member for outstanding service to Men's Club during the preceding year. Men's Club president, Dr. Sigmund A. Siegel appointed a committee, with Chester Glaser as its chairman, to select the first recipient of such an award which will be presented at the Annual Dinner Meeting on May 27.

As usual, the arrangements for the Dinner Meeting are under the supervision of Jack Boorstein and Julian Jacobs and it should be the best ever.

On Sunday, May 25, 1958, during the confirmation exercises at the Shavuot services of the Synagogue, Dr. Siegel, on behalf of Men's Club, will present the Youth Leadership Award of the National Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs, which consists of a sterling silver medal and certificate, to Jeffrey Mehlman. Jerry is recognized as the top scholar in his class by his teachers and fellow students. The faculty of the Religious School highly recommended Jerry for the honor, feeling that he has those qualities of leadership, scholarship and devotion to Judaism to make him worthy of the award.

It has been announced that Men's Club has made a donation to the Religious School Scholarship Fund of the Synagogue in recognition of the important service this fund provides for needy students.

Religious School News

By MARTIN LEICHTLING

Registration

The School office will be open during the months of May and June for registration of *new* students in the Religious School. We are accepting students for both the Primary and the Hebrew Department of the school.

Members of the congregation are urged to advise their friends and relatives in the community that children of non-members may be enrolled in the school.

Registration may be made over the telephone (EN 9-2600) or in person in the School Office between 3:00 and 6:30 P.M. every afternoon.

Closing Exercises

The Hebrew Department of the Religious School will hold its closing exercises on Wednesday afternoon, June 11.

State Scholarships

The Board of Regents of the State of New York recently announced the winners of the annual scholarship awards. These awards are granted to the candidates who score the highest marks on a comprehensive competitive written examination. Each scholarship carries a yearly stipend from $250 to $750 for four years and may be applied towards the tuition in any college in New York State.

Three students who attended our Religious School and were Bar Mitzvah in our Synagogue were among the recipients of the awards this year. Congratulations to Michael Freedman, John Wolf and Stephen Stowe—Stephen has been a member of our High School Extension Department the last two years.

Youth Activities Program

By HY SANKEL

The perpetuation of our Jewish ideals is one of the important goals of our Youth Program. In order to achieve it we continually strive to identify potential leaders of Jewry and then provide necessary training. The program is well organized and has achieved great results. Ted Pincus, is now President of the Greater New York Region of the United Synagogue Youth and national editor of New and Views, a U.S.Y. publication. Mike Gelfand is president of the Bronx Manhattan and Westchester Council METNY division of U.S.Y. Other Park Avenue Youth hold various leadership posts.

Our leadership training program this year included sending seven members to the U.S.Y. convention in Chicago in December, fourteen members to a Kinus in Cedarhurst and ten to Mt. Kisco this month. We plan to send six more leaders to Camp Ramah for an eight day leadership training session in August. We have utilized sessions of our Study Group and our March Sichot for this purpose. We are proud of the results.

Art Club Recognition

At a recent exhibit of children's art held at the Jewish Museum a mosaic depicting the tower of Babel was accepted for exhibition. The work of our Art Club, under the leadership of Mrs. Sylvia Cohen, has been of a high caliber and has appeared at the Jewish Museum annually.

This year, however, the Jewish Education Committee has requested permission from Mrs. Lillian Helpern, Chairman of the Youth Activities Committee, to exhibit this mosaic panel at the Department of Art and Architecture of the University of Michigan at Anne Harbor during this summer.

Mrs. Temima Gezari, the Director of the Department of Art Education, of the Jewish Education Committee expressed great pride in this singular honor achieved by the Youth of our Synagogue.

Members of the club who contributed to the creation of the panel were: Jacqaline Wechsler, Davida Beere, Hank Linn and Andrea Colton.

Rabbi Judah Nadich toasting Hazzan David J. Putterman at the celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of his service as Cantor of the Park Avenue Synagogue

Parents Association Annual Meeting

The final meeting of the Parents Association will take place on Wednesday evening, May 28, at 8:30 P.M. in the Lemberg Auditorium.

Mrs. Harry Zucker, chairman of the nominating committee, will present the slate of officers and members of the Executive Board who are to be elected for the coming year. The following officers have been nominated:

President .....Mrs. S. Wimpfheimer
Vice-Pres. .....Mrs. Adolph Stangel
Vice-Pres. .....Mrs. Leon Klein
Vice-Pres. .....Mrs. Michael Stowe
Treasurer .....Mrs. Albert Siegel
Rec. Sec'y .....Mrs. Frank Bergman
Corr. Sec'y .....Mrs. Charles Weisberg
Hon. Pres. .....Mrs. Herman Helpern
Hon. Vice-Pres. .Mrs. N. Ruttenberg
Hon. Vice-Pres. .Mrs. Harry Zucker
Chairman of Executive Board
Mrs. Sam Deutsch

After the election of officers and the members of the Executive Board, the evening will be devoted to hearing a guest speaker, to be announced at a later date. The topic will be of current interest to all parents. A symposium will follow the talk. Refreshments will be served and a social evening will conclude the evening.

UJA Women's Division Victory Brunch, June 11

The closing event of the Women's Division of the United Jewish Appeal will be a Victory Brunch to be held on Wednesday, June 11, at 11 o'clock in the morning at The Essex House.

Ruth Gruber Michaels will present a moving drama titled "Sam's Farm" from her script heard over "The Eternal Light" radio program.

Each worker, who brings in a total of $50 or more from prospects who have not as yet repeated their gifts of last year, is eligible to attend. Any organization making a treasury gift of $50 or over will be entitled to send a representative to the brunch. Any prospect who contributes $25 or more, or any door-to-door worker who collects $50 or more will also be entitled to attend this occasion.

Here is an opportunity for every worker for UJA to participate in this closing event of the current campaign of the Women's Division.

If interested, communicate with Mrs. Ben Sack, UJA chairman, for the Park Avenue Synagogue.

Parents Ass'n Surprise Party for Regina Stangel

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

The usual Wednesday evening meeting of the Executive Board of the Parents Association on May 14, turned out bo be a delightful surprise party in honor of one of its beloved members—Mrs Adolph Stangel.

A vice-president of the Parents Association for many years and one of its devoted members, Regina was chosen this year to be honored for her untiring work in behalf of the Parents Group.

An ardent worker for the Parents Association, Regina has demonstrated a loyalty and devotion that has endeared her to everyone. With a rare talent for original decorations, she has recreated the spirit of the holidays and the traditions of the festivals through her Holiday Workshops. The beautiful masquerade costumes which were worn by many of the children of the Religious School in the Purim parade proved her creative genius.

But perhaps more important than all, Regina is always gracious, thoughtful, generous and kind and eager to do more than her part in every undertaking.

Sisterhood Lounge was transformed into a charming scene as husbands and wives gathered to drink a toast to Regina and to join in the gay celebration. Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer, president of the Parents Group, spoke of Regina's fine work, her talent for unusual and original decorations, her inspiring Workshops, and her loyalty to our Association and to so many other arms of the synagogue. She presented Regina with a gold framed picture with a spiritual theme, which Mrs. Anna Edelman had especially created for the Parents to give to Regina.

Hazzan Putterman spoke of Regina's devotion to the synagogue and of her efforts in making the holiday functions more meaningful to the members of the congregation. Mr. Martin Leichtling, principal of the Religious School, also expressed his appreciation for all that Regina had done for the school.

The lovely buffet table was the work of several members of the Executive Board who were happy to help make the evening "especially enjoyable."

"Happy is the house that shelters a friend", said Emerson in his "Essays on Friendship." May we paraphrase this truth and say, "Happy is the group that shelters a friend," for in Regina, we all have found a dear, loyal friend.

Parents Lecture Series

The Parents Association is greatly indebted to Rabbi Nadich for the series of excellent lectures which he has delivered from January through May on the topic of "What Shall I Tell my Child?"

Rabbi Nadich included in this series of discussions: "What Shall I Tell my Child about God and Prayer; about Death and Immortality; about Religion in the Home; and about Anti-Semitism and why people hate?" Those who were fortunate to hear these informal talks felt immeasurably enriched and much more capable of answering the many perplexing questions often asked by their youngsters.

Schedule of Religious Services

Friday Evening, May 23 (Early Services begin) . . . . . 6:00 P.M.
Saturday Morning, May 24 . . . . . 9:30 A.M.

Bar Mitzvah of Michael Sklar
son of Mr. and Mrs. Solomon Sklar

Saturday Evening, May 24 . . . . . 5:45 P.M.
Sunday Morning, May 25—SHAVUOT . . . . . 9:30 A.M.

The Confirmation and Graduation Service
"THE TREE OF LIFE"

Sunday Evening, May 25 . . . . . 5:45 P.M.
Monday Morning, May 26—SHAVUOT . . . . . 9:30 A.M.

The Yizkor Memorial Service
"WHO SHOULD REMEMBER?"

Friday Evening, May 30 . . . . . 6:00 P.M.
Saturday Morning, May 31 . . . . . 9:30 A.M.

Bar Mitzvah of Stanley Goldring
son of Mrs. Muriel Goldring

Rabbi Judah Nadich and Hazzan David J. Putterman will officiate, together with the Synagogue Choir and Mr. George Crook at the organ. Dr. Nadich will preach at both Shavuot morning services and each Sabbath morning.

Condolences

Hon. Samuel Gold—Death of sister, Mildred Axelrod
Mrs. Morris Joffe—death of father, Herman Roth
Mrs. Maurice Levin — death of sister, Lillian Rosen
Mr. Emanuel Rosenthal — death of sister, Anne Rosenthal
Mr. Bernard Weintraub—death of mother, Reine Weintraub

Congratulations

Mrs. Rosa Blumenthal — on her 85th birthday—May 3
Mr. and Mrs. Joseph E. Cohen—upon their marriage—May 7
Hazzan David J. Putterman—on his birthday—May 29
Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Weisbart—upon the engagement of their daughter, Miss Jane Sue Weisbart to Mr. Lawrence Nusbaum, Jr.

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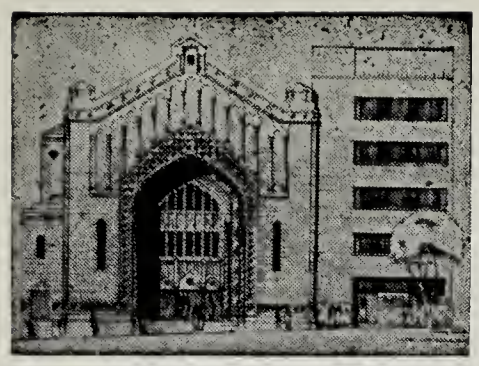

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President Goes To Israel V. P. Sol Green Will Act

Bon voyage to our president, Jacob Klein, and his charming wife, Gertrude, who have left for a visit to Israel and to Europe for the summer.

During the absence of our president, and our 1st vice-president, Saul Godwin, who is still away in Europe, Mr. Solomon E. Green, our 2nd vice-president, will carry on the functions of that office.

This is not the first time that our dedicated V.P.Sol Green has volunteered for services when called upon. Last summer, as well as the summer before, while most of us were enjoying the cool breezes of the seashore, Sol Green was conducting the regular religious services in the Appleman Chapel; thus proving that our lay leaders are well able to conduct our religious services, and that we are "a kingdom of priests and a holy nation" as decreed in the book of Exodus.

Congregational Annual Meeting Elects 1958-1959 Officers and New Members of Board of Trustees

More than 175 members of our congregation gathered at the seventy-sixth annual congregational meeting of the Park Avenue Synagogue held Sunday evening, May 18, in the Lemberg Auditorium.

Mrs. Arthur Morse, chairman of the dinner committee, did a splendid job in arranging for the catered dinner, as well as the smorgasbord that was served in the Sisterhood Lounge preceding the dinner. It was a joyful sight to see the renewal of old friendships and the gay, festive spirit that prevailed.

Jacob Klein, re-elected to serve as president for the seventh consecutive term, having been first elected in 1952, (to correct an error in prior issues of the Bulletin) delivered his annual message, which was published in the previous issue of the Bulletin. Rabbi Judah Nadich was the installing officer and in his own inimitable style and gracious manner, he formally installed the elected officers and members of the Board of Trustees, giving an individual thumbnail biographical sketch of each of their respective activities.

Prefacing the installation ceremonies with a few brief remarks, Rabbi Nadich referred to the glorious history of the Park Avenue Synagogue and its prestige in the conservative movement, but at the same time he pointed out that we must look forward to the future and not rely on the glory of the past. As he said, "The glory of the past should be an index of what we can do in the future."

Re-elected chairman of the Board of Trustees for a second term, Joseph Howard Katz submitted his report of the many accomplishments of the past administration and stressed the theme of the entire evening's festivities; that the obligation rests on all of us "to strive for greater glory in the years that lie ahead." His annual report will be published in full in the next and final issue of the *Bulletin*. He graciously paid tribute to those who had contributed to the achievements of the previous administra-

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Unveiling Ceremonies For Mrs. Charles Weill

On Friday afternoon, June 13, at 3 o'clock, the unveiling ceremonies in memory of Rose Strauss Weill will take place at Mt. Zion Cemetery in Queens, Long Island.

Mrs. Weill, the mother of Mrs. Ezra Cohen and Milton Weill, whose families have been active members of the Park Avenue Synagogue for several decades, was the wife of Charles Weill, former president of one of the congregations that went into the merger that became the Park Avenue Synagogue. He later served as vice-president of our congregation until his election as honorary vice-president, a post he held until his death several years ago.

Schedule of Religious Services

Friday Evening, June 6 ..... 6:00 P.M.
Saturday Morning, June 7 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Edward Kreps
son of Dr. and Mrs. Sidney Kreps

Friday Evening, June 13 ..... 6:00 P.M.
Saturday Morning, June 14 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Friday Evening, June 20 ..... 6:00 P.M.
Saturday Morning, June 21 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Roger Kline
son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Kline

Friday Evening, June 27 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Saturday Morning, June 28 ..... 9:30 A.M.
Bar Mitzvah of Richard Rubin
son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rubin

Rabbi Judah Nadich and Hazzan David J. Putterman will officiate, together with the Synagogue Choir and Mr. George Crook at the organ. Dr. Nadich will preach each Sabbath morning.

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Dr. Nadich Appointed Lehman Institute Fellow

Rabbi Nadich has been appointed a Fellow of the Herbert H. Lehman Institute of Ethics, according to a letter Mr. Joseph Howard Katz, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, has recently received from Dr. Louis Finkelstein, Chancellor of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America.

The Institute, whose establishment the Seminary has recently announced, will do research in the field of Talmudic ethics in order to make available to all its applicability to the pressing moral problems of our day and to the decisions of every day life.

The Institute will consist of a select group of rabbis who will meet together for five weeks this summer in the study of classical Jewish texts together with Chancellor Finkelstein, Professor Saul Lieberman, Professor Chaim Z. Dimitrovsky—all of the Seminary—and Professor Richard H. McKeon of the University of Chicago.

ADVANCE NOTICE
RESERVE THIS DATE
Sisterhood Theater Party
DECEMBER 3, 1958
New Musical
"THE FLOWER DRUM SONG"
By Rodgers & Hammerstein
Featuring Pat Suzuki

Anyone Have A Piano?

The Steinway in the Lemberg Auditorium, now about ready to play its "last chord", has served us well for many years but it cannot produce good music any longer.

Does any member of our Congregation own a piano in good working condition which he no longer needs or know where we can get one?

If you do, please communicate with the Synagogue office. EN. 9-2600.

UJA Art Auction At Parke-Bernet Galleries

On Tuesday, June 10, at 8:00 P.M. the annual art auction for the benefit of the United Jewish Appeal Rescue Fund will be held at the Parke-Bernet Galleries, 980 Madison Avenue.

There will be an advance exhibition of the articles to be offered on the Friday, Saturday and Monday preceding the auction.

This is the fifth annual Art Auction sponsored by the Women's Division of the UJA, and is made possible by the generous donations of artists, individual collectors and art dealers.

Mrs. Edward Munves, chairman of the Objets d' Art Committee for this auction, is being assisted by other members of the Park Avenue Synagogue, Mrs. Bernard Botein, Mrs. Abraham N. Geller and Mrs. Samuel Lemberg, who are serving on her committee.

If you have any paintings, sculpture, antique jewelry, or other objets d'art, which you wish to donate to this worthy cause, please contact Mrs. Samuel Lemberg, TR 9-0022. All such contributions are tax-deductible.

Mr. and Mrs. Club News

By DR. LEON PORDY

The final meeting of the Mr. and Mrs. Club for the 1957-1958 season will take place on Tuesday evening, June 10, at 8:30 P.M. in the Lemberg Auditorium.

The following officers have been nominated for the coming year.

President.....Gerald Silbert
Vice-President....Fred L. Schaefer
Rec. Secy.....Mrs. Carol Mittelman
Corr. Secy.....Mrs. Alma Winters
Treasurer.....Ed Davidson

Executive Committee
Nathaniel H. Usdan
Irving Flachs
Mrs. Ethel Kleinman
Mrs. Lucille Stoltz
Dr. Leon Pordy

After election of officers and members of the executive committee, there will be a discussion of future plans for the group. This will be followed by serving of refreshments and a social evening will conclude the program.

May I take this opportunity to personally thank Rabbi Nadich, the officers and all members of the Mr. and Mrs. Club for their efforts in making this an outstanding year of activities—religious, educational, charitable and social—for our group.

Millheiser Praised Upon Retirement As Chairman Of House Committee

Joseph Howard Katz, chairman of the Board of Trustees, in a letter to Mortimer D. Millheiser, who for 17 years has been chairman of the House Committee, extended praise and thanks for extraordinary and devoted service to the synagogue far beyond the call of duty of any chairman.

Mr. Millheiser, of course, remains as sexton of the synagogue, as well as funeral director, and in addition will continue to serve as a member of the House Committee.

Mr. Millheiser has been a member of the Park Avenue Synagogue for over 50 years. He was Bar Mitzvah at Congregation Aterath Israel, which later was amalgamated with the Park Avenue Synagogue.

Mr. Katz's letter to Mr. Millheiser stated in part—"On behalf of the Board of Trustees and the entire congregation, I wish to express to you our deepest appreciation for your many years of service as chairman of the House Committee. We are deeply grateful to you."

Mr. Millheiser is also a member of the Advisory Council to the Board of Trustees and has served in that capacity for many years.

Edward Gutman Memorial Stained Glass Window

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Gutman, members of the Park Avenue Synagogue, have made arrangements for the installation of a stained glass window in the synagogue in memory of their son, Edward Gutman, of Blessed Memory.

The Gutmans have been members of the Park Avenue Snyagogue for many years. In memory of their son, the Gutmans made a generous contribution to the congregation. The window inscribed is located on the west wall of the synagogue, upper section. It reads "In Memory of Edward Gutman."

Congregational Meeting

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tion. The applause that greeted those whom he called upon to take a bow indicated the gratitude of our congregational family for the loyal and devoted service rendered by these unsung heroes.

The chairman of the Board announced that Mr. Fred Finn, the first person to serve as chairman of the Board, had been elected as Honorary Trustee in recognition of his "conspicuous service to the synagogue." Other former chairmen of the Board were also present, including Benjamin Sack, Judge Sanford H. Cohen and Ezra Cohen. The presence of each was acknowledged by the applause of the audience.

All agreed that this annual meeting was in keeping with the high standards established by our congregation and a social event that they would not have wanted to miss. To make sure you will reserve this date next year, please note that hereafter our congregational annual meeting is held in May of each year, pursuant to the provisions of the new Constitution and By-Laws under which we are now functioning.

Before concluding this brief report, may we refer to what Jacob Klein, our president, said in his annual message. He asked the question, "Are you an active member? The kind that would be missed, or are you just contented that your name is on the list?" The answer rests with each member of our congregation. What the answer will be depends on the extent of active participation of each member in the various functions and activities that are made available to our congregation. Don't you want to share in the glory of the future?

N. R.

RELIGIOUS SCHOOL
Registration

The School office will be open during the month of June for registration of *new* students in the Religious School. We are accepting students for both the Primary and the Hebrew Department of the school.

Members of the congregation are urged to advise their friends and relatives in the community that children of non-members may be enrolled in the school.

Registration may be made over the telephone (EN 9-2600) or in person in the School Office between 3:00 and 6:30 P.M. every afternoon.

Religious School News

By MARTIN LEICHTLING

Annual Awards

At the close of the school year of 1957-1958, the Faculty is proud to announce the granting of awards to the students in the Religious School. The awards program is sponsored, on a city-wide basis by the Metropolitan Council of United Synagogue for students who have ranked highest in scholastic achievement or who have maintained excellent attendance records or who have faithfully attended Junior Congregation throughout the year.

Five of our students who are graduating from the Hebrew Department have been elected to the Keter Torah Society —the Honor Society of graduates from Religious Schools in the metropolitan area. Students, who have won three Achievement Awards during their five years in the Hebrew Department, are admitted to the Keter Society upon graduation from the school. This year Tomi Deutsch, Joel Grantz, Daniel Ritey, Renee Stern and Jeffrey Mehlman have been elected.

Achivement Awards

Grade 1—Jimmy Kahn, Susan Ackoff, Mark Swartz, Sandra Brevda, Esta Jackel, Laurence Kaplan, Barbara Levine, Peter Zimmerman, Perry Nesbitt, Davida Beere, Jacqueline Forster, Jacqueline Weschler, Caryn Keleman, John Leff, Carol Rome, Stephen Schmidt, Ronald Eisenberg, Andrew Duell, James Goldman, and Richard Huttner.

Grade 2—Dolores Blum, Viola Hurtig, Jeffrey Dell, Donald Rubin, Rhoda Epstein, Jon Rosenblatt, Sandy Shapiro, Barbara Scherr, Lenore Pressman, Sande Milton, Jill Boris, Barton Kogan, Jan Carnell, Terese Stern, Jonathan Towers, and Lee Rosenbaum.

Grade 3—Bram Andrews, Beth Brown, Elizabeth Field, Georgia Kingson ,and Rita Sherr.

Grade 4—Jonathon Stowe, Joan Helpern, Pamela Foa, Rose Forster, and Edward Kreps.

Attendance Awards

Grade 1—Lawrence Wallack

Grade 2—Richard Stein, Robert Heksch, Bonnie Zabor, Steven Siegel, Alfred Ross.

Grade 3—Leonard Aronson, Joel Bergman, Jerome Kaiser, Sonya Kaufman, Joseph Mishkin, Samuel Paskin, and Joel Schore.

Junior Congregation

Grade 1—Jimmy Kahn, Robert Beecher, Mark Swartz, Don Rosenfeld, Sandra Brevda, Barbara Levine, David Hammer, Laurence Kaplan, Kim Brandmaker, Joan Fieber, Perry Nesbitt, Jacqueline Forster, Laurence Wallach, Peter Zimmerman, Alan Siskin, John Lee, Andrew Duell, Richard Huttner, Jimmy Goldman, and Peter Kann.

Grade 3—Samuel Paskin, Sonya Kaufman, Joseph Mishkin, Rita Sherr, Leonard Aronson, Bram Andrews, Joel Bergman, and Jerome Kaiser.

Grade 4—Irene Klein, Susan Carr, Richard Rubin, and Stanley Kurzweil.

Parents Association Elects Officers

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

Parents Association held its final meeting for the current season Wednesday evening, May 28, in the Lemberg Auditorium.

Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer, our president, submitted a report of the activities of the Parents Group this past year. Vicki, like all our devoted members, looks forward to a year of greater activity and wider horizons next season.

Mrs. Sylvia Zucker, chairman of the Nominating Committee, submitted the slate of officers and members of the Executive Board to be elected. This was duly approved.

Our guest speaker was Martin Leichtling, principal of the Religious School, who discussed the school, its aims, and its hopes. Martin, who has endeared himself to the Parents Association over many years, and who has always been ready to render any service asked of him, once again graciously answered questions based on the discussion that followed his very interesting talk.

Refreshments were then served and a pleasant social hour was enjoyed. To the Parents Association, we extend our congratulations on past accomplishments and our hopes for the group to continue "still achieving, still pursuing."

Torah Readings Dedicated By Mrs. Bessie Greenwald

In memory of her late husband, Harry M. Greenwald, of Blessed Memory, Mrs. Bessie Greenwald, a member of our congregation, has made a contribution to the synagogue.

In recognition of the contribution, four hundred new Torah Readings, which are used during the three festivals, Shavuot, Passover and Sukkot, have been purchased by the synagogue and inscribed in memory of Harry M. Greenwald.

Sisterhood's Birthday Party Meeting, May 20

By RHEA M. RUTTENBERG

On May 20, Sisterhood celebrated her sixty-third birthday with a gay party. First, the guests enjoyed a delicious luncheon topped by that American favorite—strawberry sundaes and birthday cake. The Sisterhood Lounge, beautifully decorated for the occasion by our talented Regina Stangel, really looked like a breath of spring with its lovely flower centerpieces.

Following the luncheon, the meeting was called to order by our president, Mrs. Sol E. Green, who then submitted her annual report. Everyone listened with rapt attention as Belle told of Sisterhood's many accomplishments during the past year.

Her report, beautifully written and beautifully presented, covered every phase of Sisterhood's activities of which she can justly be proud. Beginning with the first opening meeting in September last year, when Rabbi Nadich, our guest speaker, led an informal discussion on "Ask the Rabbi", Belle reviewed the monthly meetings that followed — all carefully planned by the Program Committee under the chairmanship of Doris Rome.

Belle pointed out that perhaps the greatest achievement had been the theatre party in December, preceded by the brunch at the Astor which had attracted many of our members and their husbands despite the worst snow storm of the year. The tireless efforts of Freda Sack, chairman of that function, and her devoted co-workers resulted in such a huge success that Sisterhood was able to contribute the cost of several extensive improvements in the synagogue, including the acoustical ceiling in the Lemberg Auditorium, equipment for the kitchen and table linens which are used by the various arms of the synagogue for their functions. She also reviewed the many other activities of Sisterhood, including the Federation Drive, the Bazaar for the benefit of the United Jewish Appeal Rescue Fund, the Torah Fund luncheon, Sisterhood's annual visit to the Home for the Aged Blind in Yonkers and the highly successful annual evening meeting to which men were invited.

Before concluding her report, Belle acknowledged her gratitude to each committee chairman, as well as to those in charge of special functions, for their loyal efforts in helping to carry out Sisterhood's ambitious program during the current season.

Mrs. Harry J. Sokolow, chairman of the Nominating Committee, despite the stress of preparing to leave for Israel the following day, came to present the slate of officers and the new members of the Executive Board. Her report was unanimously approved.

Rabbi Nadich then installed the officers and newly elected Board members in his usual charming manner. As he pointed out each one's past accomplishments, we all felt that Sisterhood was fortunate, indeed, to have such a fine group of ladies to steer the course of our organization for even a greater year of accomplishments.

To our president, Belle Green, we extend our fondest hopes that she will continue her marvellous work and, with the aid of her fellow officers, bring about Sisterhood's most glorious year. As Belle said in accepting the presidency for another year; "I shall do my best"—and her best is the best anyone can ask.

Assisting her in administering the affairs of Sisterhood for 1958—1959 will be: Mrs. Herman Helpern, Mrs. Arthur Morse, Mrs. Irwin Rome, and Mrs. Jacob Starr, vice-presidents; Mrs. Samuel Gellert, treasurer; Mrs. Mac Fieber, recording secretary; Mrs. Abel Phillips, corresponding secretary; Mrs. M. Millheiser, financial secretary; and Mrs. William Karmiol, chaplain.

Hy Sankel, Youth Director, Named To Head Project

Mr. Hyman R. Sankel, Director of the Youth Activities of the Park Avenue Synagogue, has been selected to serve as project director of the American Jewish Society for Service, which is working in conjunction with Fellowship House and the State Department to foster closer relations of American Youth with those of Mid-Eastern, Asiatic and African Youth.

Groups of Jewish, Christian and Negro American teen-agers will be joined by young people selected by the State Department from Arabic Countries, India, Ghana, Kenya, Indonesia, Burma, and other nations, to work together on construction and farming projects. They will prepare their own meals, eat together, study together, and even pray together in the form of two half-hour daily meditation periods.

This experiment in group living by young people of such diverse backgrounds is being closely watched by authorities interested in promoting peace and building international friendship.

Gen. Krulewitch Receives Jewish Veterans Award

At a recent gathering at Madison Square Garden of the New York Department, Jewish War Veterans, Maj. Gen. Melvin H. Krulewitch, a member of the Board of Trustees of the Park Avenue Synagogue for many years and former vice-chairman of the Board, was the recipient of the 1958 Americanism Award bestowed by the Jewish War Veterans.

Gen. Krulewitch was the first member of the Jewish faith to achieve the rank of Major General in the United States Marine Corps, Reserve. He saw active combat service in the three past wars and received several decorations, including the Purple Heart. His religious, philanthropic, and charitable affiliations are numerous.

We join in saluting you, General, for this well deserved award in recognition of your activity in civic and patriotic affairs.

Condolences

Julius Kahn, Samuel Kahn and Jennie Yager—death of their father, David Kahn

Mrs. Irving R. Kaufman—death of mother, Mrs. Sarah Rosenberg

Mrs. Sol S. Waldman—death of husband, Sol S. Waldman

Congratulations

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Grunther—upon their 40th wedding anniversary, May 29

Mr. and Mrs. George L. Armour, birth of grandson.

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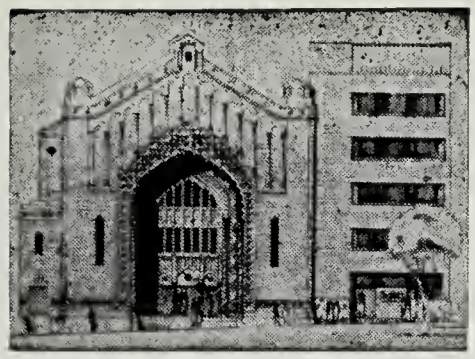

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Annual Report of Joseph Howard Katz, Chairman of Board of Trustees, Submitted To The Congregational Meeting Held Sunday, May 18, 1958

Fellow Congregants:

I have tried to prepare the annual report for this year so that it reflects not alone the activities of the different committees, arms, and religious and spiritual aspects of our synagogue, but more important, that it emphasizes the over-all picture of our entire congregational life.

This is not a synagogue dedicated to the advancement of any particular group or to any individual. We are a family of 710 congregants whose purposes have been set forth in the Preamble of our By Laws. Therefore in the spirit of this Preamble, I report to you as follows:

I. *The Beginning of a New Era*

As congregations go, in the United States of America ours, the Park Avenue Synagogue, is an old one. We can boast of at least three-quarters of a century of existence.

Having last year celebrated our seventy-fifth, our Diamond Jubilee, we find ourselves now facing the fourth quarter of a century of our recorded history.

We face this future with justifiable pride. Ours is a congregation that grew and developed not by cleavage, but by cohesion and amalgamation.

Our congregation grew not only by the joining of forces, but also by the merging of ideologies. Our constituent founders during the past seventy-five years were orthodox, conservative, and reform. Perhaps our history will be *not only* exemplary but also prophetic, in that the future of American Judaism will represent a closer cohesion as the years roll on, among what are now the three major divisions within Jewish life. The world itself stands on the threshold of a new era. We hope, that era will be characterized by reflecting in its history the ethics and morality which Judaism has given to the world. In our own modest way, as one congregation among thousands, we pray that we will continue our role of strengthening the ties of Jews to Judaism and of Americans to Americanism.

May the new era of this last quarter of the century of our existence be one of continued fruitfulness.

II. *Our Pulpit*

The heart of a synagogue is its pulpit. When I undertook the responsibility of the chairmanship of the Board of Trustees of the Park Avenue Synagogue, I felt that the selection of a new rabbi was at the very core of my responsibility and it had to assume a primacy over anything else I was to perform in connection with my duties.

JOSEPH HOWARD KATZ
Chairman Board of Trustees

Those of our congregants who have been fortunate to have been in personal contact with Rabbi Judah Nadich will agree with me, I am sure, that with his arrival our congregation has achieved a revival of its distinguished pulpit and we have now attained a long sought stability. The task of selection was not an easy one, but the results achieved by our Board of Trustees were more than justified by the choice of Judah Nadich as our rabbi, and here I want once again to particularly thank Mr. Benjamin Sack, who tirelessly served as Chairman of the Pulpit Committee.

One year's acquaintance, intimate though it has been for many of us, is a short time in the life of a person. Yet, for us it has been a wonderful opportunity to get to know our rabbi and to witness his growing integration into the Park Avenue Synagogue—with its leadership, its membership, its activities and its customs. We are happy and proud that Rabbi Nadich is with us and that we are once again on the threshold of a new period in the life of our congregation.

Of Hazzan David J. Putterman—what can be said this evening that has not been said on Sunday, May 4 in celebrating twenty-five years of service to our congregation? We are pleased to note, that in terms of evaluating our pulpit as a unit, we now possess a well functioning team. While the leadership of the pulpit emanates from the rabbi, and will always do so, we, nevertheless, pride ourselves on our good fortune in having as our cantor a person who has taken Judaism seriously. Thus the religious inspiration which comes to us through the sermonic teachings of our rabbi will often find their complement in the musical and spiritual incantations of our hazzan.

No fair estimate of the cultural impact of our congregation upon the community and upon the nation can fail to include reference to the encouragement our congregation has given for fourteen years to the writing of new liturgical music. This is no small contribution to the field of Jewish music and we are indebted to Cantor Putterman for inspiring us to do so.

I want also on this occasion to salute, as it were, our Baal Korah, one who reads our Torah and who will officiate at our religious services during July and August — Hazzan Abraham Friedman. Hazzan Friedman's vigor belies his age and we pray that he will continue as part of our pulpit team for many years to come.

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From The Editor

Once again we come to the end of our current schedule for the *Bulletin*. This issue wll be the last for this liturgical year and none will be published until September, just prior to the High Holy Days.

Much has been accomplished during the past year since Rabbi Judah Nadich came to the Park Avenue Synagogue as its spiritual leader. To attempt to detail these achievements would be entirely redundant for they are all fully covered in the comprehensive report submitted at the Annual Congregational Dinner-Meeting by Joseph Howard Katz, Chairman of the Board of Trustees. This report is being published in this issue of the *Bulletin*. It will acquaint you with the diverse activities daily taking place in our synagogue life and the extensive program of accomplishments which has brought fame to the Park Avenue Synagogue.

Before taking leave of you for the summer, may we express our gratitude to those who have contributed articles to the columns of the *Bulletin* and thereby eased the task of the editor. We also wish to express our thanks to Sidney B. Katz, our executive director, for his cooperation and help to the editor.

It has always been our belief that working together as a team is some assurance of success. However, if we have been successful in our efforts to give you a publication in keeping with the high standards of the Park Avenue Synagogue, it is because "team work" has always played such an important part in the issuance of the *Bulletin*.

So, as we bid you a fond "au revoir," may we wish you all a happy and healthful summer until we meet again.

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DECEMBER 3, 1958
New Musical
"THE FLOWER DRUM SONG"
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III. *Looking to the Future*

Our Future Finances

I am certain our congregants will forgive me a personal reference when I say that the task of being chairman of the Board of Trustees, (real honor though it be), has not been an easy one. One of the problems which has besct me, and I feel we are on the road towards achieving a solution, has been the fact that we have no large reserve should it ever become necessary for us to face up to the consequences of a depression. I refer particularly to our responsibility for maintaining the glory and tradition that is the Park Avenue Synagogue. Also, it has been a matter of concern to me that from time to time major renovations, as well as basic alterations, become necessary in order to properly maintain the synagogue and the Milton Steinberg House. Also from time to time, certain structural improvements are required or replacements are in order even if these replacements occur once every twenty-five years or so.

Furthermore as part of the maturing process of our synagogue, we are required today to face the fact that if we are going to have a large synagogue which serves our congregation and our community and provide full-time employment and a life career for many persons, we must in consequence begin to think about the matter of pensions for those who have served us well and long. I might say parenthetically that such a step has already been taken in connection with Cantor Putterman.

None of this can come out of the regular annual budget of our congregation. Our congregational budget covers only the regular operating and normal maintenance of the synagogue. It does not and cannot and should not include any of the items I have just referred to. If we achieve this purpose, and if it is the only significant thing accomplished during my administration, I shall feel more than pleased.

Recently, I have taken the responsibility of creating a Committee on Gifts, Wills and Bequests. This committee has as its objective the encouragement of our congregants to create endowments, to establish funds and gifts and to leave bequests in your Will so that the Park Avenue Synagogue may continue in the way we would like to see it continue. You will hear more about this committee in the period ahead, but let me say at this point that between now and the High Holy Days there will be mailed to your home our first significant statement about the objectives of this committee. I trust you will read it, study it, and that you will act on it.

This Committee on Gifts, Wills and Bequests is fortunate to have as its chairman, Judge Maxwell Shapiro, and it has on its roster a distinguished list of congregants.

They and Judge Shapiro will be glad to help you in any steps you wish to take towards helping perpetuate the congregation, whether it be through a stained glass window or prayer books, or a memorial tablet, or in the dedication of a classroom, or any other of the various forms available.

Our Future Youth

Basic to the operations of this synagogue is our Religious School. In evaluating this phase of our work, I want to say that I have long had an interest in Jewish education and I am not approaching this important phase of our Synagogue life as if it were all new to me. I am proud of the kind of Religious School one finds at the Park Avenue Synagogue. I am very proud and happy about the chairman of our Religious School Board, Mrs Sigmund A. Siegel, an intelligent and cultured woman in her own right. Fortune too has smiled on us in that the principal of the Religious School has been with us, all these years and has continued to give real practical day to day leadership in the operation of our school. I refer of course, to the principal, Martin Leichtling. Our school is a well organized institution. There is a primary department, a Hebrew department, and the beginnings of a high school extension department. All of the classes taught in our school are based upon a prepared course of study, a thought through curriculum and a school system which has clear cut aims and objectives. The teachers are carefully selected and their work is marked by originality, knowledge and devotion. I earnestly and seriously invite our congregants to visit our school. I am certain you will find diligent and interested youngsters responding to the stimulus of a well conducted school in beautiful air conditioned surroundings.

From this Religious School we hope to obtain many youth leaders of the future to whom the Jewish heritage has meaning and significance. To better as-

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sure that continuity, our synagogue within recent years has created a youth program to take care of the need of youngsters between the ages of 13 and 17. Here the program must be less formal, but not necessarily less Jewish, and the organization more fluid, while at the came time purposive and leading to sociability and increased understanding of Jewish life. We hope to achieve a real continuity of growth of the young persons of our synagogue, and I think that even in the short number of years this program has been in operation we have very much to be pleased with and great deal to be proud of.

Our Youth Activities chairman, Mrs. Herman Helpern, has been one of the most hard working and conscientious committe chairman this synagogue has ever had in any capacity. It is important to add here that the work of this program has gone forward because of the excellent administrative leadership given to it by Hyman Sankel, our Youth Activities Director.

We cannot blind ourselves to the fact that outside of the synagogue the problem of the youth of today is a major social problem. We, in the synagogue, must share in the responsibility of helping provide answers to the youth. It is not enough that we provide them with beautiful facilities and a room in which to meet and rooms in which to cavort. We must also in our youth program bear in mind the need of integrating a Jewish outlook so that the youngsters who are exposed to our problem will appreciate the high moral standards of life for which Judaism stands. In the youth rests our future and it is up to us to help share that future through them.

Our Future Leadership

I hope I am not disturbing the pleasantness of the evening by speaking of what I regard as gaps in our program, so that we may confide with each other about goals which are very important for us to achieve, and for ramparts which we have really not begun to scale. I refer particularly to a young adult group program. I fervently wish that in the period immediately ahead it will be possible to creat such a group consisting of young men and women who are sons and daughters of our members.

The other area where I feel that we must cooperate more diligently is the Mr. and Mrs. Club. From what I know of the leadership and the composition of this group, there is no finer collection of people in our congregation. We need more younger members of our congregation to participate and to activate into our programs young husbands and wives who want their congregational social group to be one in which they jointly belong. I trust that the year ahead will give us a larger and stronger Mr. and Mrs. Club. The kind of work put into this group by Dr. Leon Pordy, its president, and Mrs. Pordy, merits better results in terms of cooperation by our congregation and its leadership.

IV. *Strengthening the Present through Culture and Education*

Rabbi Judah Nadich's Talks

In the short time that he has been with us, the Rabbi has accomplished a great deal in this area of culture and education. His talks in the adult education program, his series of talks to the Parents Association and his addresses before the arms of the synagogue have all added content and meaning and all have helped increase understanding amongst our members.

Adult Education Program

Our adult education program this year was a most pleasant surprise. I first want to say that the committee chairman, Sidney J. Silberman, has done an excellent and conscientious job. Our classes were bigger than they were for many years and the percentage of congregants who attended these classes was higher than ever before. The content of the program, both the early evening courses and the major lecture series have been on a high level that should make us proud of Park Avenue Synagogue. However, I am telling you no secret when I say that we are not altogether pleased with our adult education program despite the improvements which have occurred this year as compared with our immediate past. Our disappointment is due only to the lack of response by our congregants. By and large the enthusiasm of our congregants toward adult education has been tepid when it should have been avid. We trust that in the year ahead this program will attract more of our congregants than it has in the past.

Our Library

I feel that we can say without straining the truth, that with the establishment of the Cohen Library we now have the beginning of another major cultural faucet in our synagogue educational and religious program. A large number of youngsters use it and adults too have begun to read our books. The number of titles is regularly increasing and the range of material is ever expanding. Recently, in fact only four days ago, the Cohen Library was awarded a citation by the Jewish Book Council. Much of the success of this library is attributable to the seriousness with which the committe chairman, Asa D. Sokolow, takes his work; no detail being too unimportant for him, we are indeed fortunate in having him as chairman of this committee. I should also like to add here that we are likewise fortunate in having as librarian a very talented and dedicated lady, Mrs. Hilde Kisch.

Arms of the Synagogue

While the synagogue arms are engaged in a great variety of activities, I think it would be unfair in dealing with the cultural and educational impact upon our congregants to exclude from reference, the educational programs offered by the synagogue arms. During the past year Sisterhood, Men's Club, Parents Association and Mr. and Mrs. Club made genuine educational and cultural contributions to our members through a large variety of speakers that were offered.

Without even attempting to enumerate the various lectures which were given here this year, I think all of you will agree with me if you think back over the panorama of events, that tremendous educational opportunities were presented through all the arms of the Park Avenue Synagogue.

Sisterhood—In addition to anything else one may say in praise of it, Sisterhood has always taken seriously the special honor which has been bestowed upon it; the privilege of raising funds for the congregation. Everyone will concede that it has done this very well indeed. During this administration, we have received equipment for our meat kitchen, and a sound proof ceiling for this Auditorium, which makes it now possible for us to hear each other. I hope in the near future the Synagogue will be the recipient of a special contribution for a major renovation job to the ladies room and the mens room in the rear of this Auditorium which the Board of Trustees voted at its last meeting and which will be done this summer. Some of Sisterhood's successful projects this year were the UJA-Bazaar, Federation, Torah Fund and Jewish Blind among so many other worthy causes. The president of Sisterhood is Mrs. Solomon E. Green, a

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dedicated member of our congregation who takes her duties seriously and performs them all efficiently. Under her leadership the Sisterhood continues to be the wonderful group it has always been.

Our Men's Club has this year been under the presidency of Dr. Sigmund A, Siegel, a loyal member of our congregation and an able leader of the Men's Club. Under his guidance and with the aid of many of his devoted colleagues, the social programs of the Men's Club have been abong the outstanding events in the life of our synagogue. These programs have received proper emphasis and they have been carried out very successfully. Here I would like to add that it is my earnest desire to see the Men's Club this coming year fill two very important but sadly neglected facets of our synagogue life , (1) to join forces with Sisterhood and engage in a huge fund raising function to help repay to the synagogue the cost of the construction job which I mentioned before. and (2) to establish and sponsor a daily minyan every evening to be held in the Appleman Chapel. Many of our congregants who have had the misfortune of requiring to recite the daily Kaddish—must of necessity attend daily services elsewhere. I know that at Temple Emanu-El, the Men's Club is in charge of the daily minyan and each week of the year a different team of men takes over this very important function of synagogue life. I earnestly trust that Dr. Siegel and his board will give these suggestions some thought and act on it promptly.

The Parents Association, under the leadership of our hard working and competent Mrs. Seymour Wimpfheimer, continues its difficult role of helping to draw young parents closer to the aims and principles of our synagogue. Over the years this has been a job well done, despite its difficulties; and the course of events during the past 12 months has continued to demonstrate the useful role played by the Parents Association in the life of our congregation. They have helped not only the parents, but also the youngsters themselves through their class-mothers program. And, this year more than ever before, their self-education has benefited tremendously from the efforts of our Rabbi and their own superb program.

V. *The Synagogue as a Family*

I wish now to treat the synagogue as one large family and to share with you some of my thoughts of living together as a family.

The Parish Work of Rabbi and Cantor

Those of our congregants who have met with sadness during the past year will need no reminder from me about the manner in which our rabbi and cantor have been able to help them in moments of distress. I can think of few phases of work of our rabbi particularly, which can be of greater importance than his day to day visits to our congregants at such times when they need more than anything else, words of consolation during hours of intense grief. I know that Rabbi Nadich has supplied that need. and so has Cantor Putterman these many years.

The Extraordinary Parish Work of our president Jacob Klein

This much must be said: That without the unusual role played by our synagogue president, Jacob Klein, the life of our synagogue as a family would most definitely be different. On second thought, not only would it be different, but it would be nowheres as good.

Jacob Klein carved out for himself in behalf of our congregation a most extraordinary extra-constitutional function. He congratulates the fortunate with letters, with visits, with telephone calls. He calls upon the sick at hospitals, at homes. He attends funerals. He goes to minyanim. He forgets no anniversary or simcha. mourning or yahrzeit. As the Yiddish expression goes "until 120 years," may this kind of extraordinary parish work continue!

The Unifying Force of the Synagogue Bulletin

I took occasion a few weeks ago, for no special reason, to spend a few minutes telling the Board of Trustees what I thought of Nelson Ruttenberg, our Bulletin Chairman and in addition our Bulletin editor. I have long felt that the synagogue was lucky to have someone as devoted as Nelson who can help make of the Bulletin a unifying family force strengthening the solidity of our congretion. It can be said with pride that this Bulletin ranks among the best of any congregation in the country. If for no other reason as far as I am concerned, it deserves a place of honor because it helps create the feeling that even though all of us in the synagogue are not kin, we are at least kith.

Our Synagogue Building—A Pleasant Place to come to

The Arts and Decorations Committee holds a special spot in my heart for I would like to feel that when our congregants come to this building they will find a warm, friendly and pleasant place to meet in.

Our Arts and Decorations Committe is concerned with the decor of our premises and I feel confident in saying that despite the limited budget that we made available to it, the improvement in the appearance of our building has already been marked. For this achievement much of the credit goes to Mrs. Milton M Sivek and the members of her wonderful committee, who have really spent time on a task which fortunately they love to do.

Maintaining the Facilities

We all like to come to a building that is spic and span and neat, one that runs smoothly and efficiently. I doubt that any congregant could be more critical of any imperfections in this direction than I am; yet I have this to say—despite the tremendous increase in the use of our building by synagogue arms, by more congregational functions, by more catered functions, we have by and large been able to maintain a fine looking building. This is not to say that there is no room for improvement. There surely is but where there is life—there is hope. For devotion to this task, we must indeed be thankful to Mortimer D. Millheiser, who as one of our congregants just like you and I, has nevertheless volunteered a great deal of time and effort to the problem of maintaining our facilities.

Family Parties at our Synagogue

During the past year or so an increased number of family parties have taken place in the synagogue. This pleases all of us, not merely because it represents income to the synagogue but because it reflects more and more a closer tie in the association by these families with the synagogue. I refer not only to weddings and Bar Mitzvah parties, but specifically to parties just for a group of friends.

VI. *How Are We Doing?*

A. *Financially*—The Chairman of our Finance Committe, our dedicated Mr. Benjamin Sack, tells us and you ought to know that whereas in years not too long gone by, there had always been a fair surplus at the end of the year, in the current fiscal year and in the one coming

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up, we are just about breaking even. This is not in itself very good, and I hope that we can begin to return to the days where our annual operating budget will be able to show a surplus of income over outgo. We are pushing close to a $200,000 a year budget.

We are operating a large institution. There are fifty-one persons who work for our synagogue either part-time or full-time. There is an ever increasing demand upon the services of the synagogue by our congregants, by our congregational committees, by the arms of the synagogue, by the Religious School and by our youth. This is a good sign and a good trend, even though these trends cost money. Our facilities are here to be used. Our members are here to be served. Synagogue catering has been a help to us financially, and here the chairmanship of Nelson Ruttenberg has been a real positive factor.

Nevertheless, our synagogue income is based essentially upon dues rather than upon any other form of revenue. It is my hope that from time to time members of our congregation will see fit to review for themselves, without any encouragement or suggestion by any formal committee of the congregation, the amount of dues they contribute to the synagogue. Ours is a voluntary dues system. Our dues are based upon the ability to pay and the readiness to pay it. Sometimes that readiness matures and increases with a person's attachment to the congregation. The fortune of years, varying as they do, will often make it possible for people to increase their dues when they are in a position to do so. We hope that many of our congregants will find it possible to do so.

B. *Our Membership*

Membership in this congregation is limited by the number of seats we have available for the High Holy Days. Despite the fact that the number of seats has remained constant over the past four years,—that is, since the Milton Steinberg House went into operation and the activities of our congregation increased ——despite that, the amount of dues income during this four year period increased by 33 1/3%. This substantial increase reflects credit upon the chairman of our Membership Committee, Mr. Harry Sokolow, and the wonderful personnel of his committee who work with him. It reflects credit upon the excellence of our congregation, for what we stand in the eyes of the community—all of us acting as magnets to draw additional persons into our congregational family. I want to say that I am proud of our congregation and its members. I am proud of the dues system of our congregation as being a real contribution in and of itself to the membership structure of synagogue life in America.

C. *Law Committee*

The Law Committee this year in addition to its normal routine tasks and inquiries that are referred to it, achieved a new status for our synagogue by working out the method of bringing the synagogue personnel into the Social Security System. Our thanks of course go to the wonderful chairman of that committee, Judge Sanford H. Cohen.

One of the not so routine acts of the Law Committee this year, which I would like to underscore, dealt with a $2,500 legacy which has come to us and this from one not even a member of the congregation.

D. *Ritual Committee*

The Ritual Committee under the chairmanship of our good friend, Archie Thurman, has by and large maintained a status quo in regard to the religious practices of our congregation. I feel that I am expressing the wishes of our congregants when I say that our ritual and practices pretty much as we have them now, are more or less closely attuned with the wishes of our congregants.

E. *Ushering*

In David Altschul the Ushering Committee has a fine chairman, devoted to the tasks assigned to that committee. I regard ushering as of major importance not only during the High Holy Days when it is indispensable, but during the Sabbath Services as well as during the Festivals. The first impression that one receives of our synagogue he may often get, in his handling by an usher. We are fortunate in the composition of our Ushering Committee who have been making favorable impressions upon those who enter our portals.

F. *Planning Immediately Ahead*

The short term and immediate planning for the year ahead comes under the jurisdiction of the Planning Committee under the able chairmanship of Mr. Milton M. Sivek. With tonight's function, we conclude a long year of many important events. I know that much of the smoothness that attended all of our functions which occurred this year was due in no small measure to the original planning which went into it, by the Planning Committee. Nevertheless, these special function chairmen must merit your attention. I refer to Mrs. Isidore Hahn for the wonderful handling of the Oneg Shabbat on so many Friday nights, for more times than one should ask a person to serve; to Mrs. Abraham Stangel for the magnificent Siyum Ha-Torah and Hanukkah Party; to Mr. Howard Kieval for the splendid Purim entertainment and party; to Mrs. Tubie Resnik for a marvelous congregational Seder; to Mrs. Jacob Starr, for the welcome party given to our new members; and last but not least, to Mrs. Arthur Morse for the magnificent tribute to our Cantor, not to mention tonight's dinner party too. These congregants aided by committees all did heroic work in helping to make our functions pleasant and successful in the service of our congregation.

It is my hope that when the Planning Committee prepares its notification to our congregants about the events for the year ahead, our members will carefully note the events on their own private calendars and avail themselves of the opportunity to participate more fully in the many things we have to offer.

Administration —
Our Executive Director

Very few of our congregants are aware of the fact that a synagogue such as ours could not run efficiently without the aid of an Executive Director. He has a multitude of operations to perform and hundreds of phone calls to make. His job is to coordinate the office and its help; to supervise the buildings and their help; to create fund raising ideas; to help with our public relations and generally to supervise our entire synagogue life except that of the pulpit, the school and the Board of Trustees. We have been fortunate indeed these past years to have Sidney R. Katz fill that position. I can testify to his unselfish devotion and dedication to our synagogue and to its ideals. He has always been at my beck and call and always indicated to me a sincere desire to help the Board of Trustees carry out its decisions and its plans. Sidney has an extraordinary amount of talent which I know he can use to very great advantage. I am grateful to him for his cooperation during

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this past year and a half, and I trust that I will continue to receive his wholehearted support and cooperation in the future.

I am grateful to Manny Rosenthal who, although incapacitated this past year, has nevertheless made a genuine effort to help me fulfill my job.

I am grateful to all my fellow officers and Trustees from Dr. Seymour Wimpfheimer through to every member of our Board and Advisory Council.

I am grateful to everyone whose name I read to you this evening. Without their help this synagogue could not have attained the stature it commands.

This report in many ways resembles a play, the title to which can very well be, "PAS—January 1957 to May 1958," and like all plays, the cast should be permitted to take a bow at the end of the performance. May I therefore ask those whose names I will call, to rise and acknowledge your applause in the order of their appearance in this report.

Now, in conclusion, I beg you to permit me to borrow the words of the president of Sisterhood contained in her report of the year. It can very well apply to the congregation generally as it was intended to apply to Sisterhood:

> "As we look back upon the past year, we see not only the achievements attained, but also our unattained goals and unrealized dreams. We hope to use the challenge of this coming year with faith and courage for greater fulfillment of our ideals in a finer and greater synagogue. We aim for greater unity so that whatever point of synagogue life we meet we may find a true fellowship of warm understanding and harmony."

Cantor Friedman Will Conduct Summer Services

During the summer months, July and August, the Friday evening religious services will begin at 6:00 P.M. and will be conducted by Cantor Abraham Friedman.

During the same period, the Saturday morning service will begin, as usual, at 9:30 A.M. These, too, will be conducted by Cantor Friedman.

Both the Friday evening and Sabbath morning service will take place in the air-conditioned Appleman Chapel in the Milton Steinberg House, adjourning the main synagogue building.

Att'y General Lefkowitz Addresses Men's Club

By HARVEY GLASSER

Hon. Louis J. Lefkowitz, Attorney General of the State of New York, was the guest speaker at the 10th annual election and dinner meeting of the Men's Club, Tuesday, May 27, in the Lemberg Auditorium.

In an informal talk, the General discussed the workings of the Attorney General's office, which ranks second in size only to that of the United States Attorney General. He stressed the action taken against "boiler factories" for their fraud on the public in the sale of stock and the recent drive against those engaged in "bait advertising."

The slate of officers and members of the Board as presented by Charles Bennet, chairman of the nominating committee was unanimously elected. Rabbi Judah Nadich was the installing officer.

Re-elected to serve as our president for a second term, Dr. Sigmund A. Siegel, who did such an outstanding job, reported on our activities during the past year and our plans for 1958-1959.

Harry Dubin, re-elected 1st vice-president, was the recipient of the first Service Award, to be presented annually to one of our members for unusual service and dedication to the Men's Club. Chester Glaser and his committee made the selection which could not have been more popular. Julian Jacobs, much to his surprise, was called upon to make the presentation.

Substituting for Nat B. Gerber, who was absent on a business trip, David Altschul did a splendid job as toastmaster. Our thanks to Julian Jacobs and Jack Boorstein, and to the members of the hospitality committee for an excellent dinner. Our thanks, too, go to Ted Meistrich for his role as chairman of reservations.

Hazzan Putterman led us in saying grace. Also seated on the dais were Nezih Manyas, head of the Turkish Information Office in New York City, Joseph Howard Katz and Milton M. Sivek, former presidents of Men's Club.

And so, 1957-1958 is now behind us. Let us hope and pray that we will be all together in good fellowship and good health in the year ahead.

Condolences

Franz Lissauer—death of his father, Meno Lissauer

BOY SCOUT HONORED

Alan Feit, a member of our Boy Scout Troop 600, achieved the highest possible rank in Scouting — the *Eagle Scout Award*. On Monday evening, May 26, the Award was presented to Alan by Mr. Jacob Klein, president of the Park Avenue Synagogue, at a special ceremony held in the Lemberg Auditorium.

The Eagle Scout Award is a rare distinction which very few scouts are ever able to attain. Mr. Joseph Howard Katz, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, in a congratulatory message stated, "Having been a Boy Scout myself in my youth, I know the honor which this award represents and I am very proud that a Scout from Park Avenue Synagogue has attained this honor."

High Holyday Services

This year (1958), Rosh Hashanna will fall on Monday, September 15, and Tuesday, September 16. The high holydays will be ushered in with a Maariv Service, Sunday evening, September 14, at 5:45 P.M.

Kol Nidre, Erev Yom Kippur, will fall on Tuesday evening, September 23, and Yom Kippur on Wednesday, September 24.

Congratulations

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Appelman—on the marriage of their daughter, Jill Leda, to William Block Roberts, June 8.

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell Leventhal—on their 45th wedding anniversary, June 14.

Mr. and Mrs. Duke Manacher—on the engagement of their daughter, Gail, to Mr. Arnold Ginsberg.

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